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NEWCOMERS: FINANCIAL CHECKLIST

PART OF BECOMING SETTLED IN A NEW COUNTRY IS BECOMING FINANCIALLY SETTLED.

Taking care of your day-to-day requirements – getting the documents you need, upgrading your language skills, finding a job, opening bank accounts – moves you well along to enjoying life in your new country. But there are some items of business that require longer-term planning and some professional help – so you can be financially ready for the future as well.

Take this opportunity to review the situation and let's discuss the following questions:

- How can you transfer or access your savings from your former home?
- What are your responsibilities for paying taxes?
- What are the challenges and implications of starting your own business?
- Is the banking system safe in Canada?
- How do credit and debit cards work?
- What are your options for saving and investing for the future?
- Will the government give you support now and in your retirement?
- What types of insurance are there and which ones do you need?

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