



WHAT'S NEW AT PROJECT ABRAHAM?

AN EXCITING NEW LEARNING TOOL FOR HOMEWORK CLUB TUTORS AND STUDENTS



Project Abraham's Homework Club is now using the online learning tool, IXL Learning, to help our tutors and students teach and learn more effectively. This intuitive, skills-based platform gives our students the opportunity to work through the Ontario Math and English curricula for their grade level, practice their skills, and receive real-time scores and progress reports. It includes texts, videos, demos, practice tests, and assessments.

Alyssa Petsinis, Homework Club Coordinator, says that IXL is a gamechanger for the program: "It can be very hard to find resources online. Now tutors can just log onto the platform to find the material and assign it to their students. It reduces the amount of time they have to spend lesson-planning and frees them up to develop creative ways to help their students learn. IXL also gives tutors detailed information about how their students are doing."

We have recently hired ten new tutors to provide both online and in person instruction and are conducting a survey of Homework Club parents. The feedback from the families has been very positive, with parents reporting that the Homework Club has made a significant contribution to their children's progress at school.

Our vision is to become the leading resettlement organization supporting victims of persecution, empowering them to create a future for themselves and their children as fully integrated Canadian citizens.

Donations are gratefully accepted: [projectabraham/donate](https://projectabraham.org/donate)

Get to Know the Team at Project Abraham

HOMEWORK CLUB COORDINATOR – ALYSSA PETSINIS



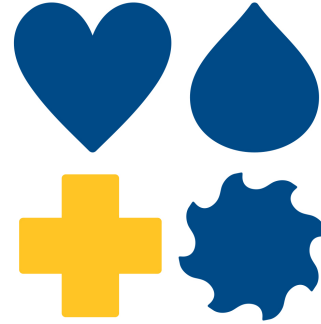
Alyssa Petsinis joined Project Abraham as Homework Club Coordinator in the Fall of 2022. She is proud to work for an organization that serves vulnerable communities and allows her to be “part of the change.” Alyssa’s job allows her to use her creative and organizational skills and she appreciates working within a small, supportive team.

Alyssa obtained her B.Sc. in Psychology from Trent University, where she also worked part-time as an orientation and leadership coordinator. Her responsibilities included creating seminars, conducting studies, and polling students about their learning styles and challenges. She also consulted with professors on how they could improve their students’ chances of success – for example, incorporating video into classes to assist visual learners. After she graduated, Alyssa was certified as a personal support worker and spent three years working in the medical profession.

Alyssa has put systems in place to improve the Homework Club application process, and to ensure that clients are provided with timely and high quality service. She is struck by how appreciative the families are to have access to free professional tutoring, noting that “families who are new to Canada and feel isolated or alone, are just over the moon about the services.”

HELP WANTED!

"Ride for Refuge" Fundraising Committee



Get to know some of the good folks in our Project Abraham community by joining the "Ride for Refuge" fundraising committee. The committee's mandate is to organize a 5K walk/10K ride on September 23. You don't even need to put on your track shoes to join the committee – it's a great opportunity to take part even if a walk/ride isn't for you.

Interested? Want to know more?

If so, please contact our fundraising chair, Deborah Glatter, at deborahglatter@outlook.com by March 15th. If we have enough volunteers to form a committee, we're bound and determined to raise \$25,000.

But it won't happen without your help, so please join us.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Our community is growing!

We need volunteers to support our work in the following areas:

- Drivers to pick up and drop off in-kind donations.
- Clerical support, such as data entry.
- Direct support to families, such as help with filling out forms. Interpretation can be arranged as required.
- Social media postings

We also need the following in-kind donations:

- Boys' clothing – ages 8 and up
- Girls' clothing – ages 0 – 2, and 6
- Winter outer clothing: boy 8, girl 6, woman medium, boots – size 11 girls, size 3 boys (8 years)
- Smart TV
- Sewing machines in good working condition

We can arrange to pick up the items.

If you are interested in volunteering for Project Abraham or in providing an in-kind donation, please contact Aimee Nikmard, at administrator@projectabraham.ca

Join the team at Project Abraham! [projectabraham/volunteer](https://projectabraham.ca/volunteer)