



BVOR Sponsorship Application: Pre-Submission Process

AURA will guide you through the following stages as we work together to submit a **Blended Visa Office Referred (BVOR)** sponsorship application to Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) under the Private Sponsorship of Refugees (PSR) Program.

Stage 1

An Anglican Parish or Community Group contacts AURA expressing interest in a BVOR sponsorship.

AURA requests pre-approval from the Anglican Diocese for the Parish to participate in sponsorship.

A committed sponsor group is formed. AURA is satisfied of their capacity to provide settlement and financial support.

The sponsor group discusses any limitations or preferences for their BVOR sponsorship (eg. language or family size).

Parish leadership and wardens are in support of the sponsorship.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is signed to clarify roles and responsibilities.

Stage 2

Fundraising begins. Funds must be held by the Parish. AURA will confirm the amount required prior to selecting a BVOR profile for the group.

The sponsor group provides contact information and police checks to AURA for each sponsor/group member.

AURA selects a profile from the BVOR Matching Database. Sponsors must confirm within 24 hours if they wish to proceed.

AURA officially opens the case file for the sponsorship.

The sponsor group must complete and submit a draft AURA Settlement Plan.

Stage 3

AURA prepares the documents that will be submitted to IRCC.

The Parish provides written confirmation that the required funds are in place.

A sponsor group representative signs the sponsor forms and provides a copy of their ID. AURA can arrange a meeting to offer support and information as needed.

AURA requests final approval from the Anglican Diocese.

AURA submits the application to IRCC.

After Submission:

- IRCC will send contact information for the sponsored refugee(s) within a few days, and sponsors can begin communicating with them.
- Processing times vary. Average = 2-4 months from submission to arrival.
- Upon arrival, the 1-year sponsorship period begins.