

# Lisa Li

Lisa Li is originally from China and came to Canada four years ago. She heard about CIWA from a friend and became a client of the Settlement Program. At the time, Lisa was dealing with an issue with her son and her settlement counsellor and integration counsellor at CIWA were both very supportive in helping her deal with the issue.

Once Lisa completed LINC classes, she felt that her English had improved and she was in a position to give back to CIWA. She really wanted to help immigrant women and their families and once she got her language skills up to standard, she was excited to join CIWA as a volunteer.

Lisa currently holds three volunteer positions at CIWA. She provides support to the Instructor for Bridging the Gap for Foreign Trained Accountants. She provides administrative support at the 3rd floor and 2nd floor reception and occasionally helps on the 5th floor. Lisa also is an interpreter in Mandarin.

Lisa likes being able to share her experience with other immigrant women. She likes volunteering at CIWA because she loves being able to help and gain experience. She finds that CIWA staff are friendly and helpful. She has found that CIWA has helped her to understand different cultures and has also helped her to practice English. She has also learned more about dealing with difficult people and situations by volunteering at CIWA. Before coming to CIWA, Lisa volunteered at the Centre for Newcomers. She has chosen to devote her time to CIWA because she believes in empowering women because she feels that women then strengthen and empower their families.

Lisa is being recognized because she is a flexible, cooperative volunteer. She is enthusiastic and welcoming to every client. She has great energy and has a strong desire to help in any way she can. Lisa is a very reliable volunteer who will show up whenever CIWA needs her.

Congratulations Lisa Li for being Volunteer of the Month for March!

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