



**VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY IN  
CANADA: A DEVELOPMENTAL  
PERSPECTIVE**

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# INTRODUCTION

- Historic Entrance of the Vietnamese into Canada
- Population Growth
- Main focuses of the presentation:
  - Salient features, strengths & weaknesses of the Community
  - Search for a new direction

# VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY IN CANADA : A SKETCH

- Salient features :
  - preferred settlement areas
  - gender differences
  - period of immigration
  - dominant age-group
  - knowledge of official languages
  - citizenship
  - educational attainment
  - employment
  - home ownership
  - home language & religion
  - support services used
  - degree of satisfaction

# DEVELOPMENTAL STRENGTHS AND HINDRANCES

- Common denominators
- Traditional values
- Legacy mentality : distrust & avoidance of public involvement
- New mentality :
  - The Community belongs to all members
  - Honesty and Trust
  - Participation without fear
  - Cooperation vs Elimination of opponents
  - Inclusion

# CONCLUSION

- Laudable achievements of currents Member Associations and Other Community Organizations
- The New Mentality as a means to reach higher level of developments.

