

BREAKING NEWS... INJERA wins top crime prevention award

Coalition wins Community Leadership Award at RISE Awards Ceremony



[Councillor Amerjeet Sohi \(left\) with Coalition winners from left: Lawrence Muganga, Killa Marayancy and Joseph Lulli. Missing from the photo are: Badri Dolal, Muki Ali, Tigist Dafla and Tsedale Aregawi.](#)

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Edmonton Multicultural Coalition won the Community Leadership award in recognition of its pioneering work with immigrant communities during this year's 10th Anniversary of the RISE Awards on May 8 at Northlands, Edmonton. Organized by the Mennonite Centre for Newcomers, the awards are a celebration of the outstanding achievements and contributions of



newcomers and innovative support of those who walk alongside them. The Coalition was recognized for its commendable service to the community including but not limited to the areas of ethno-cultural community leadership, education, health promotion, emotional, and social or spiritual advancements. The Coalition team that accepted the award was led by Injera program manager, Lawrence Muganga and included: Joseph Lulli, Killa Marayancy, Badri Dolal, Muki Ali, Tigist Dafla and Tsedale Agegawi. The prestigious award was presented by City Councillor Amarjeet Sohi on behalf of Mayor Stephen Mandel.

The keynote speaker during the glitzy event was Mr Stephen Lewis, a celebrated humanitarian, the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa and a distinguished visiting professor at Ryerson University. Mr. Lewis is one of Canada's most influential commentators on social affairs, international development and human rights. He has been named by TIME magazine as one of the 100 most influential people in the world (he was cited in the category which included The Dalai Lama, Bill Gates, Oprah Winfrey, and Nelson Mandela). The event was also graced by the presence of Alberta premier, Alison Redford, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, Donald S. Ethell, and City of Edmonton Mayor, Stephen Mandel.



[Lawrence Muganga, the Coalition's Injera Manager with Alison Redford, the Alberta Premier at the RISE Awards ceremony](#)



John Lewis (centre), the keynote speaker sandwiched with Coalition members during the Mennonite Centre's RISE Awards ceremony.

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