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Lina Hammad, MSc. Econ
Oakville
Lina Hammad is an international social development professional, with experience in coordinating social and humanitarian projects, targeting vulnerable children, women and refugees in humanitarian and development contexts. She has worked on programme coordination, reporting, monitoring and evaluation, and research with donor agencies such as The United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Danish International Development Agency (DANIDA), European Union donors working with international not-for profit organisations, and United Nations organisations. Through these organisations, she has worked both at the grassroots community level with direct beneficiaries, and at regional and decision-making levels. Her work included establishing monitoring and evaluation frameworks for the different sectoral projects, and supporting implementation of assessments and data collection activities through developing survey plans, questionnaires and interviews for project monitoring. She was also primarily responsible for technically reviewing multi-project proposals submitted by implementing partners and ensuring that they complied with the donor standards, as well as developing bi-annual reports for the donor steering committee and monitoring programme implementation. She has lived in Canada since 2018, and has worked as a language instructor and student supervisor while receiving professional development training in Indigenous Evaluation frameworks.

Yasir Dildar, MA
Kitchener
Yasir Dildar is the Associate Director at Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MEDA), Waterloo, Canada, where his primary responsibility involves providing advice and technical expertise to the Monitoring and Evaluation (M & E) team and country offices in Africa, Asia, and Latin America in the development of strategies and systems related to M & E. He has conducted more than 30 research and evaluation studies that involved developing methodologies, data collection, analysis, and reporting, and which focused on multiple sectors and topics, including private sector focused initiatives, democratic governance, gender equality, poverty alleviation, and immigration issues. Yasir holds Masters' degrees in Development Studies and Sociology, and has advanced knowledge of results measurement and evaluation approaches and methodologies and hands on experience of conducting evaluation studies. He has recently co-authored an

article on evaluation that was published in Journal of Canadian Evaluation. He has also authored a book chapter on 'Measuring Women Economic Empowerment' for a book titled *Women's Economic Empowerment: Transforming Systems through Development Practice* (2019).

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Marisha Holmberg
Barrie
Marisha works in the public sector and aims to develop strong evaluation practices with her team and professional network. With an interest in strategic planning and storytelling with data, Marisha supports evidence-informed planning and continuous improvements and most recently is expanding her skills to include emergency management. Marisha is also pursuing a Masters of Arts with a focus on work, organization and leadership.

Maria Mardirosian
Toronto
Maria Mardirosian is a Program Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist at Jays Care Foundation, the charitable non-profit that uses baseball as a vehicle to teach life skills and create lasting change for children and youth in underserved communities across Canada. Maria supports the design and growth of the monitoring and evaluation processes in all of Jays Care's signature programs. Her past experiences in evaluation include OntarioMD and Access Alliance Multicultural Health and Community Services. She is passionate about her career in evaluation and strives to ensure all voices are heard to create positive social change. Maria holds a Master of Health Evaluation Degree from the University of Waterloo, as well as a Bachelor of Arts in Health and Society from York University.

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