

WHAT DOES A TRANSLATOR DO?

A *translator* is an individual who is specially trained and certified to convert (or “translate”) written text from one language to another.

WHAT DOES AN INTERPRETER DO?

An *interpreter* is an individual who is specially trained and certified to convert (or “interpret”) oral messages from one language to another

Independent Translators and Interpreters	
STIBC Society of Translators and Interpreters of British Columbia	
Translation	Interpretation
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to https://stibc.org/ Select “Find a translator/interpreter” on top of home page. Select “Translator”. Select the required language(s) and click on “Search”. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to https://stibc.org/ Select “Find a translator/interpreter” on top of the home page. Select one of the following services by clicking on “Go to directory;” court interpreter, conference interpreter, medical interpreter or community interpreter. Select the required languages(s) and click on “Search.”
Services Offered by Organizations	
MOSAIC	
Translation	Interpretation
Specializes in commercial, legal and personal translations. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to www.mosaicbc-lsp.org Select “Translation” on the menu on top of the home page Or call 604-254-0469 	Offers simultaneous and consecutive interpretation, and sight translation. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to http://www.mosaicbc-lsp.org Select “Interpretation” on the menu on top of the home page Or call 604-254-8022
DIVERSEcity Community Resources Society	
Offers document translation, audio video transcription, video subtitles and translation with graphic design. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to https://www.dcrs.ca/our-services/interpretation-and-translation-services/translation-services/ Or contact 604-597-1358 Or email translation@dcrs.ca 	Offers consecutive, simultaneous, dial-in (phone), court and sign language interpretation services (ASL). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to https://www.dcrs.ca/our-services/interpretation-and-translation-services/interpretation-services/ Or contact 604-597-1358 Or email interpretation@dcrs.ca

Services Offered by Organizations

Options Community Services

Translation	Interpretation
<p>Offers document translations in over 20 languages.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to https://www.options.bc.ca/program/translation-interpretation-services Or contact translation@options.bc.ca Or call 604-572-4060 ext. 21126 	<p>Offers interpretations for conferences, meetings, interviews, and community events.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to https://www.options.bc.ca/program/translation-interpretation-services Or contact interpretation@options.bc.ca Or call 604-572-4060 ext. 21126

Provincial Language Service

<p>Offers translation services (in over 150 languages) to programs offered by BC Health Authority agencies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to http://www.phsa.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/translation-services Or contact by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone: 604-297-8400 Toll Free: 1-877-BC Talks (228-2557) Fax: 604-297-9304 Email: plstranslations@phsa.ca 	<p>Provides interpretation services (in over 150 languages) to programs offered by BC Health Authority agencies and private physician offices.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Go to http://www.phsa.ca/health-professionals/professional-resources/interpreting-services Or contact by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phone: 604-297-8400 Toll Free: 1-877-BC Talks (228-2557) Fax: 604-708-2148 Email: pls@phsa.ca <p>Please Note: This service must be requested directly by health care providers. If you are a patient or family seeking interpretation services, contact your health care provider.</p>
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Additional Resources & Services

Community Interpreting Training by Options Community Services.

12-hour basics of community interpreting courses open to any individual, organization or company in Canada or the US:

- Email interpretation@options.bc.ca
- Or call 604-572-4060 ext. 1126