



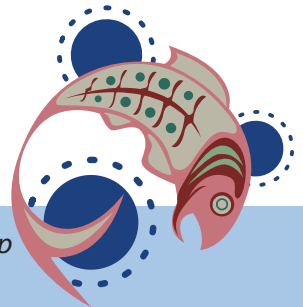
# EAGLEPRESS NEWSLETTER

## MCFN Chief and Council Release Back to School Plan



### Vision Statement in Ojibwe:

*Ezhi niigaan waabjigaayewaad Mississaugas of the Credit endaawaad (the vision of these people). Ezhip mino maadzijig (living a joyful life), ezhi waamji-gaazwaad (their identity, how people have identified them), ezhi debwedmowaad (their beliefs), ezhi mimiingaazwaad (what was given to them by Creation, what they always had, their heritage), niigaabminunkiwaad Anishinaabek (is how they always lived as Anishinaabek).*



*Translated by: Nimkew Niinis, N'biising First Nation.*

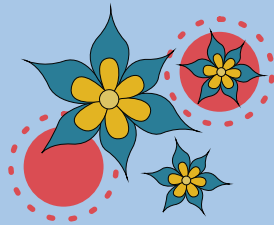


# Eaglepress Newsletter

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The original artwork (pictured below) is located in the Library at Lloyd S. King Elementary School.



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## A Message From Chief R. Stacey Laforme

We are the Mississaugas of the Anishinaabe, original people of these lands, Treaty people of these lands, and a people who have never been conquered. We have much of which to be proud, we have survived much and still cling to our history and our culture.

The pandemic has changed our way of life, there is no doubt it has caused isolation and anxiety, slowed down cultural practices including shared ceremonies and events. That connection at these events reminds us of who we are and where we belong. It is essential that we not allow the pandemic to stop those practices. We must find a way to do them in a good and safe way.

Racism has raised its ugly head out of the shadows where it has been forced to hide. We knew it was always there lurking in the shadows, like a sneaky coward striking from shadow at those who are thought weak or unable or unwilling to defend themselves. Yet now it is on the main stage, in all the media and it has been given courage by the leadership of this world. Leadership that has shown an inability or unwillingness to address the systemic issues and racism that have plagued our people for generations.

Climate change has not gone away, the world is unhealthy as it is polluted and used up and abused more and more every day. I do believe that many of the issues we face are tied to climate change. How can you have healthy people if you don't live in a healthy environment?

Missing and murdered women, stolen children, incarceration, suicides, discrimination and racism are issues that impact the lives of our people on a daily basis. Yes, we work to address these issues but it is a slow process, and through Canadian systems that struggle against the needed change. Our own growth and jurisdiction is the long term answer but it is a slow methodical approach that requires time.

There has been much violence and death in our First Nation of late. I suppose there has always been such but it seems to have dramatically increased. We are a relatively small First Nation so that each loss is painful to everyone. Yet, that is not the only reason we feel



each loss so intensely. We are a connected people, sure we have small factions and division within our Nation that have grown over time but at our core, in difficult times we understand that we are all family, all connected and that each loss makes us less. We need to find ways of reconnecting not only in difficult times but in all times.

We have started a fire that will burn for four days in front of the old Council house. A place to offer prayers or to sit and talk or to just be. Once that ends we will continue to have presentations or teachings either in the grove or somewhere that can facilitate a group gathering with covid restrictions in place.

This is a divisive time in a challenging world. I think the world needs to hear the voice of the drum! All drums!

Be safe, be heard

Chief R. Stacey Laforme

**Sept. 30**  
is Orange Shirt Day.

**Wear orange** to show your support for survivors of residential schools.  
[#everychildmatters](#)

## Let's Learn Anishinaabemowin: August/Sept. Words

Manoominike-giizis.....Ricing Moon, the moon of ricing occurring in August or September  
animikiikaa.....there is thunder  
gitigaanens.....a vegetable  
gitigaan.....a field, a garden, a farm  
biinininjii.....s/he has a clean hand  
aamoo-wadiswan.....a bee hive, a wasp nest  
abwewasigan.....fire-cured meat or fish  
mikinaak.....a snapping turtle  
zegaanakwad.....there are storm clouds

### HISTORICAL TIDBIT

By Darin Wybenga, New Credit Public Library

The Township of Toronto was facing a problem, not a difficult problem, but a problem that would nevertheless occupy its citizens' time for several years until its resolution. In 1965, the Township made plans to incorporate as a town and, within a decade, as a city. One of the problems arising out of the plan was the determination of a name for the new town. The "Toronto" moniker, already having been taken by the neighbouring community to the east, the township council asked its residents, in January of 1965, to submit potential names for the town. 2793 individuals sent in their suggestions with 889 different names proposed. Some of the names proposed; such as "Winston", were meant to honour individuals such as Winston Churchill, the British Prime Minister; other names commemorated villages within the township such as "Port Credit" or "Dixie". Even "Five and Ten" was proposed as a name, but one name was suggested far more than any other- that of "Mississauga".

Hugely popular with the public, the name "Mississauga" made up nearly one-fifth of the suggestions submitted for the new name. No one is quite sure why the name resonated with the people

of the township although it was generally agreed that the name harkened back to the times when the ancestors of the Mississaugas of the Credit inhabited the area. The Mississaugas left their homes at the Credit River in 1847 for their current location, yet despite their absence, their name was perpetuated in the area by the Mississauga Golf and Country Club; a militia unit known as the 9th Mississauga Horse Regiment; and businesses that incorporated "Mississauga" as part of their firm's name, for example, Mississauga Motors Limited. The name "Mississauga", like all the other names submitted, would be screened through a naming committee and the township council until the choice was narrowed down to two possibilities. Although popular with the township populace, "Mississauga" was not so popular with the township council. One councillor acidly remarked: "the Indian tribe of that name which had lived in the area has contributed least to it."

Sadly, even though "Mississauga" was a popular choice, it seemed as though people had forgotten, or perhaps never knew, that that it was Mississaugas of the Credit ancestors that negotiated the treaty that allowed the township to be settled. On August 2, 1805, the British Crown negotiated with the Mississaugas to acquire 70,784 acres of land in a strip of land six miles deep from the Lake Ontario shoreline and stretching between the western boundary of the Toronto Purchase lands and the western boundary of the Brant Tract lands. Chief Quinipeno, the spokesperson for the Mississaugas at the negotiations, spoke of the reluctance of the people to part with their lands, "... It is hard for us to give away more land: The young men and women have found fault with so much having been sold before; it is true we are poor, the women say we will be worse, if we part with any more,..." The Mississaugas received £1000 in trade goods and the sole right of fishing at 12 and 16 Mile Creeks and the Credit River with land on their flats. The agreement between the Mississaugas and Crown was ratified as the Head of the Lake Treaty, No. 14 in 1806. The Mississaugas had contributed much to the establishment of the future town and city.

On December 9, 1967, the electorate of Toronto Township went to the polls to select a town council and name for the town that would be newly born

on January 1, 1968. Voters could choose between "Mississauga" and "Sheridan" for the name of their community. As it turned out, "Mississauga" was the peoples' choice with 11, 796 votes to 4,311.

The birth of the new town was celebrated at a Midnight ceremony on January 1, 1868. Robert Speck, the first mayor of the Town of Mississauga, and a crowd of 500 citizens enjoyed fireworks and speeches to mark the occasion. Among the crowd that night was Chief Fred King of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Chief King took the opportunity to remind the good people that the Town of Mississauga was built on lands acquired from his people many years earlier. The Chief, on behalf of the First Nation, presented a medicine stick as a token of good luck to Mayor Speck; in return, Speck presented King with a scroll and a gold key to the Town. While the scroll and the gold key have long since disappeared, another symbol of friendship between the Town of Mississauga and the First Nation has been on display at the New Credit Public Library for years. On July 20, 1968, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Mississauga presented a scroll granting the "Honorary Freedom of the Town" to the Council and Members of the "Mississaugas of the New Credit Reserve" and was "evidence of the desire by the town to develop a bond of affection and regard with the descendants of the Indian inhabitants of this area, from whence the name originated."

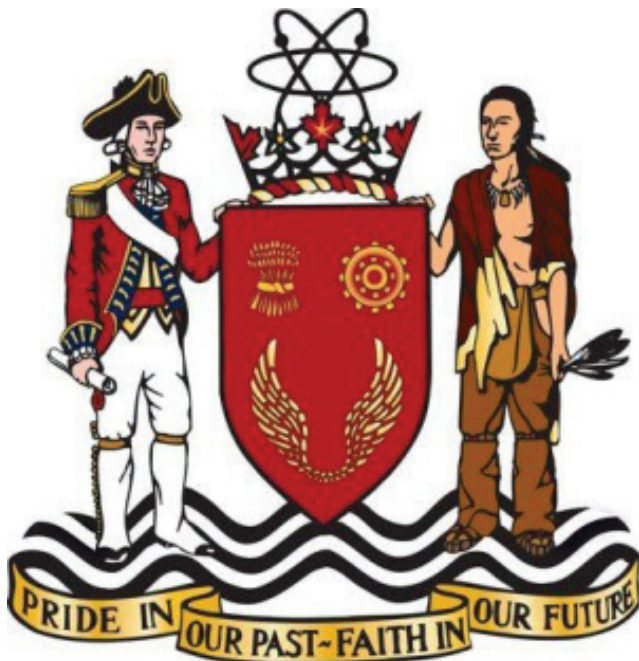


Photo Credit: Facebook

In 1974, the Town of Mississauga was reincorporated as a city and adopted a coat of arms in which the MCFN's contribution to the history of the city is called to mind. On one side of the coat of arms is a British Officer holding the Between the Lakes Treaty, and on the opposite side, stands a dignified First Nation's man, presumably a Mississauga of the Credit member, holding four quill pens each representing one of the Mississauga Chiefs who signed the agreement.

It is hoped when citizens of the city of Mississauga look upon their community's coat of arms, or hear the name of their city spoken, they are drawn to think of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the treaty they signed that enabled the birth of a township, a town, and a city.

*Thanks to Matthew Wilkinson of Heritage Mississauga and Erma Ferrell for providing the newspaper clippings and the article series, "How Mississauga Got Its Name" by Richard Collins.*

## Community health continues to be a priority, please continue to:



**Avoid any gatherings over twenty-five people**



**Practice social distancing.**



**Wash hands frequently and thoroughly.**



**Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.**



**Wear a mask where physical distancing is unavoidable.**



## Federal Indian Day Schools

### Class Updates

#### **August 27, 2020 – Update: Non-Class Counsel Fees**

We understand that Claimants are being approached for paid legal support by certain third party law firms (non-Class Counsel). Please note that any requested fee for services must be pursuant to Rule 334.4 of the Federal Courts Rules, 13.03 of the Settlement Agreement, and the Federal Court Order dated June 17, 2020.

What this means: Claimants can choose to retain their own lawyers; however, they will have to pay for non-Class Counsel legal fees and disbursements. Canada does not pay for the legal fees or disbursements of non-Class Counsel lawyers. Any fees or disbursements charged by a non-Class Counsel lawyer under a retainer or payment agreement must be approved by the Federal Court before the lawyer can require payment. Court approval is not intended to limit choice of counsel but to ensure that problems that developed in other class action settlements do not occur again. This includes the charging of unnecessary or unreasonable costs.

The retainer of non-Class Counsel must outline the consequences that a retainer with them will have on the usual duties and responsibilities owed by Class Counsel to the Claimant. By signing a separate retainer agreement and/or choosing to use a lawyer other than Class Counsel, the Claimant will be deemed to have given up their access to free legal services from Class Counsel and will be deemed to have released Class Counsel from their obligations to support that particular Claimant.

#### **August 12, 2020 – Update: Community Assistance Sessions**

An Indian Day Schools Claims Assistance Program is currently being developed to provide in-person support in communities across the country to help Claimants complete Claim Forms. This assistance program will be organized by Argyle Communications Inc. (“Argyle”). Their role will be to create and execute a plan to safely and effectively reach as many Claimants as possible.

There will be a limited number of Community

Assistance Sessions delivered, so Argyle’s Indian Day Schools (“IDS”) Claims Assistance Team is currently reviewing requests and developing a plan to safely and effectively reach as many Claimants as possible.

To request an in-person claims assistance session for your community, or to be provided with an update on the Claims Assistance Program progress, please contact the Argyle IDS Claims Assistance Team at [information@IDScommunitysessions.com](mailto:information@IDScommunitysessions.com).

Additional Live Support Still Available

One-on-one support remains available from Class Counsel at 1-844-539-3815 . Additional assistance and information is also available through online Community Assistance Sessions. For more information click [here](#).

If you have any questions regarding legal support, please call Class Counsel at 1-844-539-3815 or by email at [dayschools@gowlingwlg.com](mailto:dayschools@gowlingwlg.com).

#### **July 16, 2020**

##### **Recent Court Orders re. Claims Process**

On July 7, 2020, the Federal Court appointed Argyle Communications Inc. (“Argyle”) to assist in the delivery of Notice by implementing the Claimant Assistance Program. Effectively, Argyle will be organizing community visits and assisting Claimants, in-person, with their Claim Forms. Class Counsel will continue to be available to provide legal advice during these community visits – once travel recommences. Details on this program will be posted in the coming months. Click [here](https://indiandayschools.com/en/wp-content/uploads/EN-Court-Order-Implementing-Claimant-Assistant-Program.pdf) for the July 7, 2020 Court Order: <https://indiandayschools.com/en/wp-content/uploads/EN-Court-Order-Implementing-Claimant-Assistant-Program.pdf>

On July 10, 2020, the Federal Court appointed Reva E. Devins as the Independent Assessor for the Claims Process. Ms. Devins has served as an assessor in a number of class actions and has provided mediation and arbitration services since 1998. As the Independent Assessor, Ms. Devins will conduct independent reviews and assessments of claims after Reconsiderations are performed by the Claims Administrator and where elected by Claimants. The Independent Assessor may on occasion refer a claim to the Exceptions Committee. Decisions made by the Independent Assessor or the

Exceptions Committee are final. Click here for the July 10, 2020 Court Order: <https://indiandayschools.com/en/wp-content/uploads/EN-Court-Order-Appointing-Independent-Assessor.pdf>

**July 8, 2020  
Claims Administrator Request  
for Additional Information**

There is an update from the Claims Administrator with next steps for those who recently received a letter requesting additional information. If you receive such a letter:

Review the list of information needed to complete your submission in the Missing Information Form attached to your letter.

Contact Class Counsel at 1-844-539-3815 if you have questions about the documentary requirements.

Complete the "Missing Information" Form, sign and send it to the Claims Administrator.

**Time estimates:**

Please note, the Claims Administrator has posted the following update here concerning anticipated time estimates.

**Receipt of Claim:** Please confirm with the Claims Administrator's Call Centre, at 1.888.221.2898, that your Claim Form was received. The Claims Administrator is asking Claimants to wait 6 weeks from the time a Claim Form is sent to them before calling to confirm it has been received and registered into their system.

**Level 1 Claims:** The Claims Administrator is reporting that it can take up to 6 months to review and approve a complete and eligible Level 1 Claim Form. Eligible Claimants will receive a payment letter to confirm a claim has been approved.

**Level 2-5 Claims:** After registering a Claim Form, the Claims Administrator sends it to the Government of Canada for review of eligibility. Canada has 60 days to review Levels 2-3, and 90 days to review Levels 4-5, starting from when the claim is received from the Claims Administrator. You will be notified by the Claims Administrator, in writing, when a claim has been sent to Canada for review. Once Canada's review is complete, the Claims Administrator begins the process of substantively reviewing the claim. There is no set time period to do so. The Claims Administrator is reporting that, since each individual experience is being considered, some Level 2-5 claims may take up to 12 months for the entire review and approval process to be completed. Please note that Class Counsel does not have direct access to the Claim Form status details.

To avoid unnecessary administrative delay, for example due to incomplete Claim Forms, Claimants are strongly encouraged to carefully complete and take time to review their Claim Form before submitting it. If you would like one-on-one support filling out your Claim Form, please call Class Counsel at 1-844-539-3815 or email [dayschools@gowlingwlg.com](mailto:dayschools@gowlingwlg.com).



Through this conversation between Daphne Taras, Dean, Ted Rogers School of Management, Monica McKay, Director, Aboriginal Initiatives and R. Stacey Laforme, Chief, Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, we honour the continued partnership between Ryerson University's Ted Rogers School of Management (TRSM) and the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation (MNCFN), as we create an inclusive space of learning through shared vision and a commitment to Indigenous economic development partnerships.

Ted Rogers School of Management

Webinar can be viewed at:

<http://mncfn.ca/dean-daphne-taras-in-conversation-with-chief-laforme/>

# CULTURE AND HISTORY

**MISSISSAUGA NATION MONTHLY**

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WWW.MISSISSAUGANATION.COM

*Aambe Zhaabwiitoo'daa - Let's Save It,*  
**Anishinaabemowin Language Classes**

Every Wednesday Online Zoom  
Starting Sept. 16, 2020 to Dec. 9, 2020  
6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Now is a perfect opportunity to learn our Anishinaabemowin Language!

This is a free class open to all both on and off reserve.

Open to all!

If you require further information, please contact Jai King-Green by email at [jai.king-green@mncfn.ca](mailto:jai.king-green@mncfn.ca), or by calling 905-768-1133 ext 232

**GROUP GATHERINGS DURING COVID-19**

The numbers for people gathering during COVID have been increased to twenty-five (25) people indoors.

The numbers for people gathering during COVID have been increased to fifty (50) people outdoors.

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Please be informed that the 4th Annual Fall Harvest has been cancelled for 2020. We look forward to planning for next year! Save the Date for October 16, 2021!

**NOTICE**  
**MCFN Playgrounds**

Please be advised the MCFN playgrounds are open for MCFN Member use. Please note the equipment is NOT BEING SANITIZED and to USE AT YOUR OWN RISK. Members are asked to be diligent in their Coronavirus precautions, those include;

- Wash your hands,
- Practice social distancing,
- Wear a mask where social distancing is not possible, and
- Stay home if you are ill.

Miigwech for helping keep our children and community safe.



July 30, 2020 | 3:00pm

# Gardening: Medicines & Plants

Elder Peter Schuler



Mississauga Nation - Kitagan Garden Project, Episode 1

*Rebuilding a strong connection and relationships within and across Michi Saagig communities*

To view the introductory video, episode one with Peter Schuler visit: <http://mncfn.ca/the-kitagan-garden-project-episode-1-with-elder-peter-schuler/>

To view episode 1, part 2 with Dr. Andrew Judge, visit <http://mncfn.ca/the-kitagan-garden-project-episode-1-part-2-with-dr-andrew-judge/>

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# Gardening: Medicines & Plants

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# CULTURE AND HISTORY

## CALL OUT FOR SUBMISSIONS

### Indigenous Guardian Performers: Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games

The Indigenous Partnership Council (IPC) For The Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games

THE IPC IS LOOKING FOR AN INDIGENOUS GUARDIAN PERFORMER TO ATTEND VARIOUS EVENTS LEADING UP TO AND DURING THE GAMES

Our indigenous guardian is different. Unlike a mascot our guardian will bring wisdom, knowledge, culture, traditions, endurance, love unity. You will inspire and engage the athletes and visitors.



## QUALIFICATIONS:

- Open to First Nations, Inuit, Metis
- Rooted in culture; a strong consideration for those who are able to dance, sing or rattle
- At least 16 years of age
- Has the means of reliable transportation
- Able to stand for long periods and work in a regalia for 30 minutes at a time
- Available to work flexible and varied hours
- Outgoing personality with a willingness and desire to have fun as a public representative and ambassador of the IPC for the Canada Games
- Motivate and excited the audience by sharing our cultures and traditions through song and dance
- Enjoys interacting with people of all ages and abilities
- Generate trust with an audience to promote engagement and interaction

NOTE: Special clearance is needed for 16 and 17 yr olds. Must be approved by the 2021 Niagara Summer Games.

## WHERE:

NIAGARA REGION

## WHEN:

LEADING UP TO AND DURING THE CANADA GAMES  
AUGUST 6TH-21ST,  
2021

## IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THIS POSITION:

Send us an email at:  
[Indigenouspartnershipcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:Indigenouspartnershipcouncil@gmail.com)

We would be more than happy to send you an application and/or answer any questions you may have!



## COVID-19

Protect Yourself



PRACTICE PHYSICAL DISTANCING

## MY MASK PROTECTS YOU and YOUR MASK PROTECTS ME. WEAR A MASK.



### NEW PICK UP DATE FOR THE WELLNESS WHEEL

## September 12, 2020

### 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. pick up

## Social and Health Garage

CONTACTLESS PICKUP,

PLEASE STAY IN YOUR VEHICLES!

Brought to you by the Children's Mental Health Program

### Draw for a weighted blanket



# CARING TOGETHER EVENT 2020

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020**  
**4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

## DEADLINE TO REGISTER:

**September 11, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.**

**PLEASE TEXT TO REGISTER BETWEEN MONDAY  
TO FRIDAY FROM 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. ONLY**



Due to COVID-19, the Caring Together Week event has been condensed to One Night. During this event, participants will drive to MCFN Plaza, LMR/Education, Administration Building, Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre, Social and Health Garage, Community Centre. Activity Kits and information will be provided at each station. For every station attended, your family will be entered into a draw for a prize! The more stations visited, the more chances to win! Meal kits will be picked up at community centre and prepared at home. The more stations you visit the more entries you receive! Tacos Kits Provided by 'Tacos vs Ice Cream'.

All MCFN band members living on or off reserve willing to pickup are invited to participate. You must register for the take home meal kit. You must be in your vehicle at all times and travel to each station to enter draws.

**To register, please contact Leslie Maracle at 519-717-7205 via text**

## Boozhoo – Meet Brenda Secord



Brenda Secord is the owner of Secord Crafts, located at 3224 2nd Line located on the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Brenda was married to the late Walter Secord Sr., and at the time of his passing in 2018 they had been married for fifty-four years. During their marriage they resided at the present location next to their craft shop for more than forty of their fifty-four years.

Brenda and her late husband Walter Sr., have three children and five grandchildren. Their oldest son Walter Jr., is a member of the Legislative Council (Shadow Treasurer) in Australia. Their daughter Lisa is a business owner on the Mississaugas of the Credit and their youngest son Daniel (Dan who resides on the First Nation) is a knowledge keeper, traditional dancer, and a

leather crafts person.

Sometime in 1985 Brenda had a desire to own a craft shop and together with her husband they designed a shop, which Walter Sr., built on their property next to their family home. Brenda's goal was for her retirement to have a shop and to travel with her products to Pow Wow's and other events. Secord's Crafts opened in 1990 and the shop is still operational today.

Secord Crafts is a three level craft store containing various carvings (bought from local suppliers), feathers, sage (grown on the property), bead work, leather work, and a variety of items for traditional dancers.

The upper floor of the shop is dedicated to sewing regalia, ribbon shirts, skirts, alteration work and embroidery. Quilt making is one of Brenda's projects and offers quilt workshops. Her son Dan uses the lower floor to create his leather works. Eager to learn more about sewing and increase her existing sewing skills, Brenda enrolled in Mohawk College and completed four years of night classes.

### SECORD CRAFTS

Contact information: - 905-768-9310, by chance (meaning Brenda may be in the shop), by calling for an appointment, or via email at [secords\\_crafts@hotmail.com](mailto:secords_crafts@hotmail.com)



## Boozhoo – Meet Charlene Wilson



Charlene Wilson has her own business located on the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, where she resides with her husband Duane.



Charlene is the daughter of the late Helen LaForme, and the late Marvin LaForme Sr. Below are words directly from Charlene on when she became interested in being a cook and starting a business.

I have been cooking since I was 9 yrs. Old. My mom being a Foster Parent always encouraged me because there was always someone to cook for. Being self-taught growing up, my brothers were my taste testers. If they didn't like it they would let me know but this would give me ways to improve. Then if they did completely enjoy what I made, that was a good thing. It wasn't until later in life I pursued my dream to finally go to culinary school. With much encouragement from my mom, husband, and the rest of my family, this is when Tasty Delights by Char Wilson was born. One of my projects in school was that we had to do a plan for starting our own business with menus, equipment, building, expenses, layout, floor plan, etc. I did mine on a drive through. It was going to be with coffee and snacks but I took it a step further and purchased a food truck where I make everything homemade such as burger, chicken strips, fries, etc. plus there was catering on top of that which kept me pretty busy.

I started my business about 5 years ago by doing catering jobs part time on the weekends, evenings due to me working full time as the daycare cook. I had many catering opportunities but always had to decline because of my daycare job. It will be three years this coming end of July that I gave my resignation notice with full support from my husband and took that

leap and went into my business full time. I haven't regretted it. At this time, I also expanded my business by purchasing another little building, calling it The Shop where I put bakery items, salads, sandwiches, etc. in there. In the midst of working all these branches of my business, I still took advantage of setting up at vendor events such as Three Fires Homecoming Pow Wow, Bread n Cheese, SN Fall Fair amongst many others.



I am so thankful for the support from all my family and friends. Supporting small local businesses means a lot to us and is very important. Being a community member of MCFN I am blessed. I would not resign my daycare position until my husband fully supported by saying go for it. My daughter who is also a parent has been there also as well as brothers, nieces and nephews.

Unfortunately, due to COVID 19, both my shops as well as vendor event schedules have closed down and cancelled. However, I do still take orders whether they are bakery, food or meal orders. So whatever your needs, wants and cravings are, I am here for you. Ways to reach Tasty Delights are (905) 869-5178; [charsbakestop@hotmail.ca](mailto:charsbakestop@hotmail.ca); [www.facebook.com/tastydelightsbycharwilson](http://www.facebook.com/tastydelightsbycharwilson)

Thank you so much for the opportunity to share a brief part of my story. I look forward to hearing from you soon.



## Sharing Your Stories

Chi Miigwech goes out to the MCFN members who shared their stories of how they have been dealing with COVID-19, while the stay at home order was put in place. Your stories were very inspiring, heartfelt and sincere. All of the stories talk about how COVID-19 has shaped your view of what is really important to you in your lives today. It seems that there were a lot of reconnections to culture, family and to the land. We hope you enjoyed your gift for sharing your stories and to always remember it is extremely important to take care of number "1", yourself. Virtual hugs to all participants.



### Story 1

The beginning of the pandemic, even though the world was shutting down around me, I thought I could handle the quiet, less rush of everyday life. However, in the 4th week, I thought I was going to lose my mind. The isolation was horrendous and daunting. I live alone and without my car and dog, it would have been a worse time for me. I deal with depression and I knew that I needed to do something.

The spring would be turning into summer soon and since I knew the grass would be growing, I needed someone to cut it. I had cut the grass once before years ago, but now I had to learn the riding lawnmower all over again. So, I had to get the lawnmower running and figure out how everything worked. It was a bit intimidating for me, but I read all the gears and how it all works and I hopped on and rode it out to the lawn.

Well, let me tell you how much of a pleasure it was to see that I was completing it and it was a lot of fun. It was still scary for me, but I was enjoying myself. It took over 3 hours to complete my whole lawn, as I was taking my time and I have a lot of lawn to cut.

Once completed, I looked around and was extremely proud of myself. I knew that I had to do it. Now it's an enjoyment to complete and not a chore.

This may not be the usual self-care but it worked for me.

Anonymous

### Story 2

My Story through this COVID!!

At first, I didn't think anything of it. As I love being at home with my family. So it started, I was cooking lunch and cooking

supper every day and night for my family. As you see I was working 2-nights a week and going to a women's group another night, as my spouse also worked 4 nights a week, so there wasn't time to cook for my family. Nobody wants to eat supper at 9:00 at night except for mine. Therefore, I loved being at home with my family during this horrible pandemic. Family is truly the best medicine for anyone during this pandemic. We would play games almost every night and sometimes during the day. We would paint, swim and have BBQ's whenever we wanted. I loved being home with my family, having everyone all under the same roof for a change. We also cleaned up the whole yard by raking and picking up sticks. I also had more time to spend with my dog, we would go for walks in the field, play outside, go for a swim in the pool. We would also sleep in the mornings and sometimes until early afternoon. I just loved being at home, not shopping, only going for groceries, not running to the malls or anything, just plain simple staying at home, where you could wear your jammies all day if you wanted. No reason to get dressed because I didn't have to go to work every day.

Then my co-workers decided we would give the families and kids something to do while at home during this pandemic, so we decided to provide give-aways of different things the kids/adults can do at home during this pandemic. Which I've heard some say they really enjoyed these kits, which is good to hear. So, I have really enjoyed the time and memories being made at home during this pandemic. I truly believe this is the break that I have needed for a long time, just to sit and rest and spend time with my family. Thanks for listening/reading.

Anonymous

### Story 3

Self-Care Journey

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, I was working full-time. I had a busy schedule leaving my house at 7:15 a.m. and returning home at 5:00 p.m. Each day after work I would be exhausted and just want to lay around and relax. This all changed when my job closed its door March 13, 2020.

Suddenly, I had lots of time on my hands. It was scary in the beginning not knowing if I or my family would get sick and die. I was so far away from my community and family. I longed to be closer to home and near my mom.

I am very grateful I live in a quiet secluded spot outside Kenora. Each day I was able to go for long walks around the property and in the bush. Being outside really helped us not go crazy as the house we rent is only 500 square feet

## Sharing Your Stories (cont.)

and there's three of us living there.

When April came the ice on the lakes started melting and I yearned to be out on the lakes. I didn't know how but I was determined to buy a boat. We ended up buying a used pontoon boat. That was the best purchase we ever made. Every sunny day we went out on the lake fishing. It was so nurturing for our spirit to be eating traditional foods like fish and being on the water. I think being out in nature on the water was our saving grace during the pandemic.

This pandemic has changed how I view life. Each day that I'm healthy and alive is a blessing. I take time to enjoy the small things like fluffy clouds in the sky or the sound of water gently brushing against the shoreline. I'm not so rushed when I do things because time isn't so important. What's important is staying safe and not taking things for granted.

Written by Rebecca Sault

**Story 4**

We started following the COVID pandemic, before it was a pandemic back in December. The most important thing for us was to watch and listen to scientists about what the current research is telling them. We also listened to what elders were saying about getting back to the land.

So, we began by ordering some triple mix and building a few raised beds for the garden expansion. We ordered GMO free seeds, so we could collect the seeds in the future and plant again next year. We started our seedlings with small grow lights and reached out for heirloom and traditional local seeds. We networked on-line, with elders, and watched videos on traditional techniques of farming. Food prices will only increase as the pandemic continues on for longer. Canning the food is next, as the garden plants begin to ripen.

Other than gardening, we have done scavenger hunts, participated in MCFN stay at home activities, and tried to stay cool in this heat. We try to eat well and stay relaxed as much as possible. We drink traditional teas, and eat lots of healthy fresh food. We keep our family as active as possible outside while staying at home. We don't have visitors or go visiting anywhere, and we always use masks and proper hand sanitation. Stay safe everyone!

Written by Clyde, Fiona and Nimkii King

**Story 5**

COVID-19 has affected every single one of us, and has affected our daily lives and routines. We don't realize the amount of people we come across on a daily basis, and the

people that we take for granted when it comes to social distancing. For myself personally, I haven't been able to be in a classroom with my peers since March. I never realized how much time school took up for me during the week. But in a way, I believe this pandemic has made everyone realize the things that we took for granted before these times. Now is the time to care for, and better ourselves, for the bright future ahead.

One way I've been taking care of myself during COVID-19, is I've been continuing my jingle dress dancing. Whether that be in my garage, or out in the yard recording videos for others to see and to pass on the healing and good thoughts. Getting suited up in my regalia, reminds me of the times where we could all gather, and celebrate with song and dance at powwows. Although gatherings like pow wows have been cancelled, I always remind myself that these times will not last, and we will all be together in the circle once again. Looking forward to future powwow is the way to think, instead of being upset over the cancelled ones.

Another way I've been taking care of myself is picking up a new hobby and letting my creative side back out. That hobby is beading! I love putting the colours together and creating pieces of art for myself, and others to enjoy. I really enjoy beading outside listening to the birds and the wind in the leaves, or jamming out to my favourite music. I will continue to practice my skills, as beading is now my new form of expressing my art and creativity.

Most importantly, I've been connecting with family and friends through calls and messages. Almost every Wednesday, I canned with my grandmother and some of our friends via zoom to work on our creative art pieces. Our Zoom meetings consist of many people from across Canada, stretching from Alberta, to Newfoundland, and Ontario. Of course, Zoom doesn't compare to the energy as being in person, but it is still amazing and uplifting to see everyone and their artwork again.

Even when we can't be together in person, we still need to connect with one another. We also need to take care of ourselves, especially if we're spending a lot of time either alone, or with family we live with. Finding good ways to reconnect with our culture at home, and finding new things we love, is a great way to take care of ourselves during these unforeseen times. I hope everyone that took the time to read this, knows how to important self-care is, and they are staying involved with new opportunities. Stay healthy, stay safe.

Miigwetch

Written by Lauren Porter.



**MCFN**  
**Chief and Council**  
**Caring Together**  
**Event**

**Drive Thru Dinner &**  
**Parking Lot CAR BINGO**

**Thursday, Sept. 24, 2020**  
**4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**  
**LSK PARKING LOT**

**TO REGISTER:**

Please email Raynia Seymour at [Admin.Clerk@mncfn.ca](mailto:Admin.Clerk@mncfn.ca)

When registering please indicate if you are registering for the Parking Lot Car Bingo & Dinner; or just the dinner.

The free event is open to all MCFN Members residing on or off reserve. Drive thru BBQ dinner will be served from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Bingo begins at 5:30 p.m.

The BINGO is limited to the first 50 vehicles all carrying MCFN members. Each registered carload will receive up to 5 bingo cards.

Participants must remain in their car during the event.

Social distancing, health and safety precautions will be implemented.

Registration is required by **Sept. 18 at 12:00 p.m.**

**BBQ**





LLOYD S. KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## COMMUNITY UPDATE: BACK TO SCHOOL

**THIS IS AN ONLINE  
EVENT!  
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 9,  
2020.  
6PM-7PM**

- Meet Mr. Medway, the new LSK Principal!
- Get an overview of the online learning platform.
- Get an update about iPads & Backpacks.
- Get a general overview of what a day in the life of an LSK student might look like during online learning.

**ONLINE EVENT  
DETAILS TO  
FOLLOW**

[www.lskelementary.com](http://www.lskelementary.com)



### Lloyd S. King Elementary School September 2020 update

September 2020 update,

To better prepare for start of the 2020-2021 school year, it has been decided by the LSK Return to School Working Group that the first day will be deferred to Sept. 21, 2020.

A virtual "Back to School" update by the Principal will be happening on Sept. 9, 2020 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., please watch for upcoming flyer for more information. An update on iPads and backpack pick up will take place during this time.

If you have questions about or have completed school registration forms please email to: [Lsk.secretary@mncfn.ca](mailto:Lsk.secretary@mncfn.ca) or call ahead and drop off at LSK as soon as possible. If you need to speak with a staff member an appointment is necessary, please call ahead, 905-768-3222. Registration forms can be found on [www.lskelementary.com](http://www.lskelementary.com)

We appreciate your patience and we're excited to begin this new way of learning with all of you.

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## CLIENT INFORMATION FOR REGISTRATION AND SECURE CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS (SCIS) APPOINTMENTS

**IN-PERSON REGISTRATION SERVICES ARE BY APPOINTMENT-ONLY AT:**

**BRANTFORD:**  
195 Henry Street  
Unit 6a  
Brantford, ON  
N3S 5C9  
**Reception Tel:**  
519-751-6462

**THUNDER BAY:**  
100 Anemki Place  
Suite 101  
Fort William First Nation  
ON P7J 1A5  
**Reception Tel:**  
807-623-3534

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655 Bay Street  
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416-973-5282

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760 Notre Dame Ave  
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Sudbury, ON  
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705-522-5100

**ONCE YOUR APPOINTMENT HAS BEEN SCHEDULED**



## Statement from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation On COVID-19

Sept. 6, 2020

The MCFN Chief and Council are continuing to actively take precautions and actions to address the potential impacts of COVID-19 within our Nation.

Thankfully, the MCFN Community continues to have no active cases of COVID-19. We wish to say *chi-miigwech* to everyone for their diligence in keeping our community free of the virus.

### 1. Organizational Operations

Effective Sept. 8, a limited number of services will be offered, and will be on an appointment only basis. Please note, to ensure safety, some programs and services will be modified to permit social distancing.

All visitors will be required to wear a mask upon entry to the building and will be go through a screening process before proceeding to their appointment. In addition, they will need to provide their name and number in the event contract tracing is required in the workplace. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in keeping our community and staff safe.

### 2. Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre Operations

Please be advised that Council have decided to delay the reopening of the Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre until at least Oct. of 2020. A working group has been established to monitor current trends and numbers, and will report back to Council regularly regarding a recommended reopening date.

### 3. MCFN Playgrounds

All MCFN playgrounds are now open, but please note that we do not sanitize these facilities.

### 4. Lloyd S. King Elementary School Update

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## 5. Council Meetings

Please note that our weekly Council meetings have now officially been moved to Tuesdays, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Due to COVID-19, meetings are still deemed closed to the public, but minutes and agendas will continue to be posted on the website.

## 6. Personal Precautions

The MCFN Chief and Council would like to remind everyone to take personal precautions to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community. These include:

- Regular hand washing with soap and warm water or an alcohol-based hand cleanser.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Maintain social distancing and ensure you practice good respiratory hygiene. Cover your cough or sneeze with your bent elbow or tissue, then dispose of the tissue immediately.
- Wear a mask where social distancing is not possible.
- Be cognizant of travel advisories and limit your exposure to large gatherings.
- If you travel outside of Canada, it is important to self-isolate upon re-entry to the country.
- If you feel ill, stay home. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and follow their instructions.

## 7. Public Health Information

If you are experiencing symptoms, contact the following Public Health Offices and follow their instructions:

- Haldimand Norfolk Public Health – 519-426-6170, ext. 9999
- Six Nations Public Health – 519-445-2672
- Brant County Public Health – 519-753-4937
- Outside of regular business hours, you can contact Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-797-0000.

Please note, the MCFN Community Health Office is not a public health office, although it does assist with contact tracing and wellness checks.

The MCFN Chief and Council are responsible for making decisions that impact the Membership. If you have any concerns, please contact any member of the table.



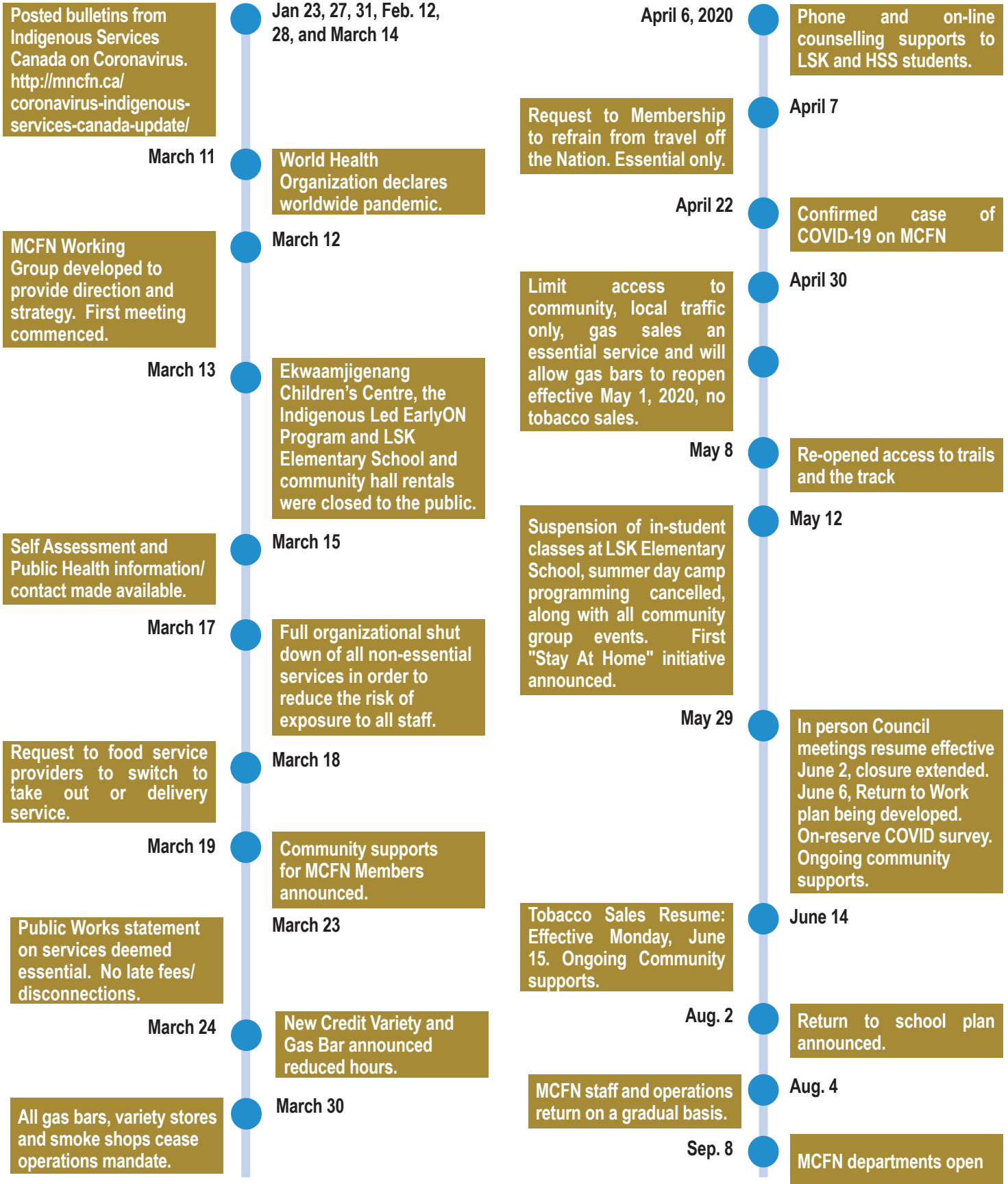
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## MCFN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 TIMELINE



## Councillor Evan Sault, Pillar 2 Nation Well-being and Wellness

*Aanii and good day to all my fellow Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Members,*

I hope everyone is doing good and keeping well throughout these trying times. I'd like to acknowledge the respectful patience that our community and Membership has shown during this pandemic.

As Chief and Council Lead for Pillar 2: Nation Well Being and Wellness, it is still a busy time ensuring the health and safety of MCFN. This is the first and foremost priority of my pillar during the COVID-19 crisis.

I am a member of the MCFN Community Safety Working Group. We have been meeting regularly with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) in order to ensure health and safety, and the wellbeing of our community. I've also requested countless times over the past four months for the OPP to increase their patrolling and presence in our community to give our community members some sort of relief and safety assurances. The issues and concerns we've brought to their attention is: dangerous driving, speeding, vandalism, trespassing, drugs and alcohol, etc. The MCFN Community Safety Working Group has been meeting regularly to speed up the process in establishing our own MCFN Peacekeepers/ Policing Service. Updates to be provided as discussions continue.

In February, I worked with our proposal writer completing a SEED grant application for the position of MCFN Community Policing Coordinator. This past July, I was informed that our application was successful and we have received the grant. This coordinator will work very closely with the Community Safety Working Group and compile information while also performing valuable research and investigating. This is a good step forward in regards to MCFN reaching our policing goals.

I've been continuing to meet with McMaster Children's Hospital and De daw da dens nye>s (Brantford/Hamilton Aboriginal Health Centres) biweekly to keep them up to date on our current status of cases and how they may provide assistance during this time.

I have recently been added to the newly formed Indigenous Committee for the South Niagara Hospital. This is to ensure that MCFN's voice is heard for our MCFN members who live in the Niagara Region and may need to utilize this hospital in the future. Our Anishinaabe beliefs and culture should always be respected through cultural sensitivity, regardless of the hospital or health centre.

In August, I had two meetings with the lead Optometrist of McMasters Children's Hospital. We are in the early discussions of a great opportunity which would see



McMaster coming into the MCFN community to provide free vision screening tests to our members aged 0 - 16. Updates will be provided as discussions proceed.

I continue to have meetings with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Grand Erie. MCFN has a great opportunity in bringing this positive and healthy program into the community for our children and youth who could utilize and benefit from this program. Updates will be provided as discussions proceed.

I continue to attend monthly Ganohkwasra Board Meetings.

I'm a member of the MCFN Fibre Optics/Internet Working Group. We have been meeting frequently and working diligently in order to improve the internet service here on the Nation. We have been vetting through internet companies and meeting with them to see who can provide the most reliable internet service to the MCFN community, especially now during the COVID-19 crisis. Updates will be provided as discussions proceed.

Major Events Committee - Chair

The Major Events Committee (MEC) has been meeting monthly. As you are aware, the CNE has been cancelled this year due to COVID-19. They are hosting virtual events on their website, where the Chief provided welcoming remarks and read some of his inspiring poetry. Also MCFN Member, Daniel Secord provided a video of traditional dancing.

MEC is also heavily involved within the Indigenous Partnerships Council (IPC) of the Canada Summer Games 2021. The IPC role is to ensure that the Indigenous communities are visible and heard during the games. In August, I was appointed by the IPC to the Niagara Place Committee. Niagara Place will be located in St. Catherines and will be the hub of the games. MEC's responsibility is to showcase the MCFN treaty's, history, culture, traditions and legacies during the 2021 Canada Summer Games.

Please never hesitate to contact me and reach out if you have a concern, issue, or question.

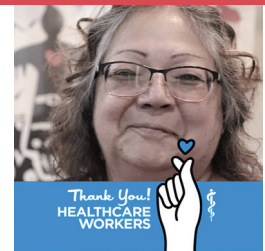
In closing, I truly hope that all MCFN members enjoy the rest of the summer as much as possible and please continue to be diligent in remaining safe and most of all healthy.

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# POLITICS AND GOVERNANCE

## Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson, Pillar Four, Education and Awareness



| Major Responsibilities   | Objectives (ongoing)<br><b>COMMUNITY</b>  | Activities (working document in progress)   | Responsibility<br>Pillar 4 Lead   |
|--|---|---|---|
| 1. Pillar 4 Teams  | Priorities as identified by MCFN members needs in life long learning  | Facilitate Community consultation<br>Community collaboration by engagement  | Teams<br>Patti Barber-Day Care & EarlyON Director;<br>Katelyn Laforme-Education Director, resources, Elders, knowledge keepers, youth as required |
| 2. MCFN Board of Education   | Understanding Terms of References<br><br>I.E. increase in our students graduating<br><br>Enhance supports and mentoring programs for Learners<br><br>To inform our learners what educational path to pursue as identified in "Trailblazer Council Strategic Plan" where are we going to be in 3 – 5 years | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training, roles and responsibilities</li> <li>• Review current policies and understanding procedures</li> <li>• Develop a mapping asset and identify gaps in services/ programs</li> <li>• Create a work plan</li> <li>• Develop an Education Strategy</li> <li>• Create a Communication Strategy</li> <li>• Create an engagement strategy</li> <li>• Implementing stages</li> <li>• Board Business and reports</li> </ul> | Pillar 4 Lead<br>Board of Education   |
| 3. MCFN Curriculum   | MCFN history in our territory through consultation on integrating Mississauga cultural values, languages and ways of knowing into the education system.   | Create curriculum<br>Enhance resources being used at Children Centre, EarlyON and LSK elementary Training and Writers Club  | Pillar 4 Lead<br>Board of Education<br>Elders<br>Knowledge Keepers  |
| 4. Mississauga Language Strategy   | Develop framework and resource Library  | Gathering and researching Mississauga dialect, history of the word and meaning to create a " <i>Michi Saagig</i> " dictionary.  | Board of Education<br>Elders Knowledge keepers,<br>Working Group Team   |
| 5. Resources   | Financial<br>Human<br>Storage, space, data<br>Technology  | Secure funds<br>Develop protocols<br>Inventory list i.e. people, skills, education tools (plaques-history)  | Pillar 4 Lead   |
| 6. MCFN Education Symposium  | Heighten the Education Awareness  | Details to be confirmed by Board of Education   | Pillar 4 Lead<br>Board of Education   |
| 7. MCFN Curriculum   | MCFN history with in our territory through consultation on integrating Mississaugas cultural values, languages and ways of knowing into the education system. Response to the (TRC)   | Ontario classrooms and partnership with Education Institutional Boards i.e. High school, College and University   | Pillar 4 Lead<br>Board of Education<br>Resources<br>Elders<br>Knowledge Keepers   |
| Major Responsibilities   | Objectives (ongoing)<br><b>NATION-TO-NATION</b>   | Activities  | Responsibility  |
| 8. First Nation With School Collective FNWSC   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Education formula</li> <li>2. Governance</li> <li>3. Strategy</li> <li>4. Political</li> <li>5. Planning</li> </ol>   | Wok plans, times, capacity, etc.<br>Laws, consultation methods<br>Framework guidelines<br>Jurisdiction, rights, Treaties<br>Policies, procedures, legislation, etc.   | Admin Lead<br>Education Director<br>Admin Support<br>Education Assistant<br>MCFN Board of Ed  |
| 9. Mississauga Nation Language Strategy  | Develop framework and resource Library<br><br>To have fluent Language Teachers in our " <i>Michi Saagig</i> " dialect   | Gathering and researching the Mississauga Nation dialect, history of the word and mean to create a dictionary.<br>Create a two year progress language program and include one year for Ontario College diploma at MCFN  | Pillar 4 Lead<br>Board of Education<br>Knowledge Keepers<br>Mississauga Nation delegates / language teachers                                      |
| 10. Mississauga Nation Pow Wow in Mississauga City<br>Venue: TBD   | Partnership and collaboration with UTM Mississauga Campus and other Mississauga organization from the city  | Pow Wow theme – Home Coming of the <i>Michi Saagig</i> members<br>Protocols and check list<br>Ensure funding  | Working Group Team:<br>Elders<br>Knowledge keepers<br>MN delegates  |
| 11. Mississauga Nation Education Ambassadors   | Build relationship for support with the MN and advocacy on any initiatives such as creating our Education Law   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community engagement Drafting</li> <li>• Community presentations on draft</li> <li>• Revisions to draft</li> <li>• Community approval of law</li> <li>• Traditional government approval of law (if required)</li> <li>• Chief and Council approval of law</li> <li>• Implementation of Law – generation of regulations and</li> <li>• policies; appointments; employment; carrying out of plans</li> </ul>                 | Pillar 4 Lead<br>Knowledge keepers<br>Team<br>Mississauga Nation delegates<br>Youth<br>Elders<br>Chief and Council                                |
| 12. What role do we pay in the United Nation Declaration Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP)<br>13. What needs to be advocacy or lobby for our members need?<br>14. Ongoing initiatives | Understanding the impacts on our members and needs<br><br>Research and networking   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) control of education;</li> <li>2) stable and adequate funding;</li> <li>3) importance of language and culture;</li> <li>4) jointly determined oversight of education rather than unilateral federal oversight;</li> <li>5) Ongoing meaningful engagement between MN and Ottawa on education</li> </ol>  | Pillar 4 Lead<br>Resources  |

## Councillor Erma Ferrell, Pillar Five Lead, Cultural Awareness, Communication and Outreach

### Meetings Attended

Weekly Council Meetings: June 22, July 7, and July 14

Special Council: June 30

Fibre Optics meetings July 8 and 10

Pillar #13 Discussion: July 9

### Major Events Committee (MEC)

The major events committee is holding conference/video calls to stay informed on the Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games.

Thank you to the members of the MEC committee for their dedication and support to keep the Mississaugas of the Credit name, along with our history and our traditions as part of the Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games. More information will be placed on our webpage and in our newsletter, on how you can participate in the Canada Summer Games.

### Fibre Optics

Members of Chief and Council, along with some staff, are holding video meetings with a few organizations specializing in fibre optics to move forward and improve our internet service in our community. This will be in phases. The project will take a few years and research for funding sources is also taking place. Why fibre optics? Our First Nation must improve our internet service to assist our students with their education (in all levels), and to improve the internet service for our members, along with our administration. Thank you to the Public Works Director, Arland LaForme for taking the lead on this project.

### Dr. Cheyenne LaForme

During my role as the Assistant to the Director of Education for the Mississaugas of the Credit, from November 1995 to December 2011, post-secondary students often sent me notes to let me know where they were after graduation. Sometimes I received notes that stated how appreciative they were for their post-secondary education funding.

Recently, I received a note from Dr. Cheyenne



LaForme to say thank you for her funding assistance.

Dr. LaForme is the daughter of Gail Wilcox and Mark R. LaForme and the granddaughter of the late Roma & Ross LaForme.

Education:

Westmount Secondary School

McMaster University – completed Undergrad

Western University – completed Medical Degree

Dr. Cheyenne LaForme has officially graduated as a Doctor of Medicine and is starting her residency as a Pediatrics physician in Thunder Bay. Her long term goal is to be a primary Pediatrician for one of the Indigenous Child and Family services agencies.

Congratulations to you Dr. LaForme and well wishes for your future in the field of medicine.



## Councillor Erma Ferrell, Pillar Five Lead, Cultural Awareness, Communication and Outreach September Update

### MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Meetings: Attended the following Council meetings – July 21, July 28, Aug. 4, 11 and 18.

Special Council meetings July 30 and July 31.

Special Finance meeting on July 27 with the Chief Operating Officer, the Finance Manager and Councillor Bill (Roger) Laforme & Councillor Erma Ferrell – A preliminary discussion on the budgets completed as of the 27th of July.

Indigenous Partnership Council: Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games on July 29

Jim Tovey Lakeview Conservation Area Phase III Design-Conference call Aug. 13.

Michele Elise Burnett - Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games – Aug. 17

Chiefs of Ontario zoom video assembly, Aug. 19 and 20.

Fibre Optics meeting – Aug. 20

Mississauga Museum zoom meeting – Aug. 21.

### Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games

Councillor Evan Sault/Chair of the Major Events Committee, Cultural & Special Events Coordinator Caitlin Laforme and Co-Chair of the Major Events Committee Councillor Erma Ferrell met via zoom video with the facilitator of the Indigenous Partnerships Council for the Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games. The meeting was to discuss in further detail the participation of the Mississaugas of the Credit's participation in special events and committee representation for the Niagara 2021 Canada Summer Games. We want to ensure the Mississaugas of the Credit members will participate in the opening and closing ceremonies and welcome the athletes for the games. We also requested participation on some of the sub-committees who are key in making plans for the summer games. Evan Sault, Caitlin Laforme and I continue to lobby for recognition of the Mississaugas of the Credit Treaty Land, where the games will be held.

### Indigenous Programming Advisory Group – Aug. 10

A conference call scheduled for Aug. 10 was to discuss the Terms of Reference for the Indigenous Programming Advisory Group Terms of Reference. The Terms of Reference are for the Decolonization of Artifacts in ten of the Toronto Museums. The working group are meeting via zoom video and conference calls to put into place best practices for First Nations to address items on display that belong to First Nations.

### Special Council meetings on July 30 & July 31.

The Council met on Thursday, July 30 and Friday, July 31, to review the strategic plan that was approved in 2017. Since the implementation of the strategic plan in 2017, our Council has met numerous times to amend and improve on the plan. Meetings will continue to review the strategic plan on a monthly basis for the remainder of this term.

### Jim Tovey Lakeview Conservation Area Phase III – Aug. 13

A zoom video/conference call was held on Aug.13 to discuss the design for the Jim Tovey Lakeview Conservation Area Phase III. Staff and two members of Council are working with the group from Oakville to ensure specific designs and history feature the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. In the future when areas open up that have been closed due to the pandemic, members of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation will visit the site and provide more input on the design.



## Councillor Craig King, Pillar Six Lead Infrastructure and Community Development

### Monthly Report for Infrastructure and Community Development



I hope this update finds you and your families safe and well. I, along with the rest of Council, have been trying to maintain some level of normalcy in these uncertain times. We have taken the initiative to resume our regular calendared meetings and work alongside departments as we try to prepare for opening the organization to the general public as well as our children and their needs.

My focus for the past months has prioritized areas to assist the organization during this pandemic. These areas include Wi-Fi/fiber optic connectivity, LSK expansion, seeking out short term administration space and exploring community safety initiatives.

Internet connectivity has been an ongoing discussion for many terms of Council and has never been more important than now. With communication needs evolving due to the pandemic, focus has to be on short term obtainable solutions as well as a long term plan once finances are determined. This project has been evolving from needs based discussions to communicating with surrounding areas to seek out viable solutions. Internet connectivity is surrounding the community and our group is seeking the most sustainable and cost effective solution to meet our immediate needs. We have had primary discussions with various groups determining our needs and await forecasted costs for the project.

The LSK expansion group has made progress over the past months, with a commitment of dollars to put towards the advancement of the project. The working group has also prepared applications and reports necessary for the government and funding agencies to maintain momentum of the project. Project management will be the next focus of the group and work has already been initiated.

Additional staff is required to assist with workplace shortfalls. Unfortunately a problem of the organization is lack of space to accommodate these

workers. I am currently exploring short and long term solutions to meet our demands. Funding and time are unfortunately always setbacks when dealing with these problems. Chief and Council will meet to review how priority will be determined for space created or obtained. Creating a functional workspace which allows opportunity for growth would be a long term goal of this project.

I have been asked to participate on a community safety working group. This group's focus is to:

- Work towards our own enforcement body. Shortfalls in OPP staffing has resulted in longer response times creating this situation.
- We are discussing the possibility of establishing "Peacekeepers" to assist with our community safety needs.
- Work is being done to determine what exactly that would look like and roles/responsibilities of the position.
- Other first nations have started the Enforcement body initiative and we hope to gain information to help us overcome hurdles they may have faced and learn from their experiences.

I have participated in Governance meetings and offered input to our hunting/fishing rights discussions. I hope to participate in further dialogue with the MNRF when the opportunity presents itself. I would like to see a universal map of our territory that both sides acknowledge as areas in which we have rights to hunt and fish.

Stay safe;  
Councillor Craig King

## NEWS RELEASE OFFICE OF THE PREMIER COVID Alert Available for Download

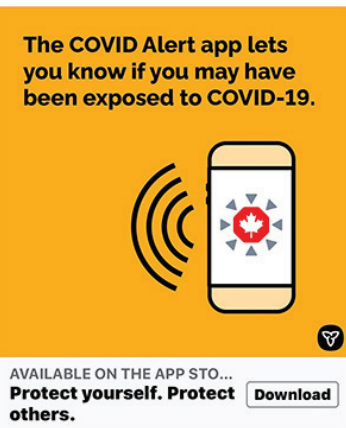


*Privacy-First, Made-in-Ontario App Notifies Users of Potential Exposure to COVID-19*  
July 31, 2020 1:00 p.m.

TORONTO — As Ontarians continue to do their part to help stop the spread of COVID-19, the Ontario government is encouraging everyone to download the new COVID Alert app on their smart phone from the Apple and Google Play app stores. This app, which is available beginning today, lets users know if they may have been exposed to the virus. It is free, easy and safe to use. The more people who download the app, the more effective it will be in stopping the spread of COVID-19.



The COVID Alert app lets you know if you may have been exposed to the virus. You can then get tested to keep you and your loved ones safe. Your personal information and data are not collected.



Work on COVID Alert was initiated in Ontario by the Ontario Digital Service and volunteers at Shopify, and was the foundation of the work by the Government of Canada. The app was developed in consultation with the Privacy Commissioners of Canada and Ontario to ensure the highest level of privacy for everyone using it.

"This important, made-in-Ontario COVID Alert app will be a critical part of our case and contact management strategy as more regions in Ontario enter Stage 3 today," said Premier Doug Ford. "This innovative tool was developed by some of the best and brightest minds in our province, working in partnership with Ottawa. As businesses open their doors and schools prepare for September, we need to help stop the spread and keep others safe by downloading this COVID Alert app."

The COVID Alert app uses Bluetooth technology to detect when users are near each other. If a user tests positive for COVID-19, they can choose to let other users know without sharing any personal information. Ontarians who receive an exposure alert can then get tested and take action to help keep themselves, their families, and their friends from spreading COVID-19 throughout the community. The app does not collect personal information or health data, and does not know or track the location, name, address, or contacts of any user.

"Built with a privacy-first approach, COVID Alert is a safe and easy-to-use tool that Ontarians can download to protect themselves, their loved ones and their community from COVID-19," said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "This Ontario-made app keeps people informed about being potentially exposed to the virus and allows them to act quickly to stop the spread of the virus. It is a key tool in our case and contact management strategy. I encourage all Ontarians to download the app, as early detection of cases will be important as we continue to carefully reopen more of the province."

COVID Alert is a key tool to strengthen Ontario's comprehensive case and contact management strategy, Protecting Ontarians through Enhanced Case and Contact Management. The app supports the efforts of public health units, allowing the province to quickly test, trace and isolate cases of COVID-19 to stop the spread of the virus and prepare for any potential outbreaks without sharing any personal information.

"As Ontario safely and gradually re-opens, we continue to take a digital-first approach to delivering simpler, faster, better services to support Ontarians, including the COVID Alert app, which will leverage technology to protect the health and safety of the people of Ontario," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, President of the Treasury Board. "By making it easier for

Ontarians to protect themselves, their loved ones and their communities, we continue to deliver on our commitment to build a smarter government that works for you."

If an app user receives a message from COVID Alert that they may have been exposed to the virus, they should follow the public health advice given on the app and get tested. To notify other people if an app user has tested positive for COVID-19, they can enter their one-time key from Ontario's test results website (Ontario.ca/covidresults) into the app. A message will then be sent to other app users who have been within two metres of them for at least 15 minutes within the past 14 days, without sending any information that identifies the user, or the time and place of exposure.

To stay safe as more of the province reopens, Ontarians should continue to follow public health guidelines including physical distancing with people not in their social circle, wearing a face covering if physical distancing is a challenge, washing hands thoroughly and frequently, and if anyone thinks they have COVID-19 or have been in contact with someone who has COVID-19, get tested.

## QUICK FACTS

COVID Alert is available for free use and download from the Apple and Google Play app stores.

All aspects of COVID Alert are completely voluntary. Ontarians can choose whether to download the app, whether to use the app after downloading it, and whether to notify others if they test positive for COVID-19.

COVID Alert does not collect any personal information, health information, or location data. It uses Bluetooth technology to send out encrypted codes to other nearby app users and was built using the Apple/Google framework for exposure notification to ensure that it leverages global best practices to protect privacy.

COVID Alert is a Digital First Smart Initiative, one of many cross-government projects that focus on better outcomes and improving the customer experience.

The Government of Canada is also working with the other provinces and territories to get their jurisdictions on board with the app in the coming

weeks and months.

In addition to his responsibilities as President of the Treasury Board, Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy is now overseeing Ontario's efforts to lead digital and data transformation for the people of Ontario, including oversight of the Ontario Digital Service.

## LEARN MORE

Government of Canada: New mobile app to help notify Canadians of potential COVID-19 exposure now available

[Ontario.ca/covidalert](https://Ontario.ca/covidalert)

Protecting Ontarians through Enhanced Case and Contact Management

Learn more about how to properly wear, clean and dispose of face coverings

Learn more about Stage 3 of reopening Ontario.

Visit Ontario's website to learn more about how the province continues to protect Ontarians from COVID-19.

For public inquiries, call ServiceOntario, INFOline at 1 866 532-3161 (toll-free in Ontario only).

## **Ontario Moving More Regions into Stage 3**

*More Businesses and Services Across the Province Can*

*Safely Reopen on Friday*

July 20, 2020 1:00 P.M.

TORONTO — The Ontario government is allowing seven more regions to enter Stage 3 on Friday, increasing the number of businesses and public spaces that will reopen across the province. This decision was made in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health and is based on positive local trends of key public health indicators, including lower or low transmission of COVID-19, ongoing hospital capacity, public health capacity to conduct rapid case and contact management, and a significant increase in testing.

The details were provided today by Premier Doug Ford, Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, and Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance.

"We're working with communities across the province to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and help more businesses safely and responsibly hang up their 'Open for Business' sign," said Premier Ford. "While we want as many people back to work and taking home

a paycheque again as possible, it's important for everyone no matter what stage your community is in to remain on guard and keep following the public health advice. By working together, we can keep new case numbers down and ensure all of Ontario can enter Stage 3 when it's safe to do so."

The following public health units will be allowed to move into Stage 3 on Friday, July 24, 2020 at 12:01 a.m.:

- Durham Region Health Department;
- Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit;
- Halton Region Health Department;
- Hamilton Public Health Services;
- Lambton Health Unit;
- Niagara Region Public Health Department; and
- York Region Public Health Services.

These regions will join the 24 public health regions that entered into Stage 3 on Friday, July 17, 2020. For more information on the restrictions that will remain in place during Stage 3, as well as the public health and workplace safety restrictions necessary to keep people safe, visit [Ontario.ca/reopen](https://ontario.ca/reopen).

The following regions will remain in Stage 2 until local trends of key public health indicators demonstrate readiness to move into Stage 3:

- Peel Public Health;
- Toronto Public Health; and
- Windsor-Essex County Health Unit.

Ontario will continue to assess trends in the public health indicators to determine when these final public health unit regions can progress to Stage 3. The Chief Medical Officer of Health and public health experts also continue to closely monitor the evolving situation to advise when public health restrictions can be further loosened or if they need to be tightened.

"Building on the success of the regional approach in the previous two stages and based on the positive public health trends we are seeing, we are ready to move more regions across the province into Stage 3," said Minister Elliott. "Entering Stage 3 does not mean the fight against COVID-19 is over. We all must remain vigilant and continue following public health advice to ensure the progress we have made so far in stopping the spread will not be undone."

Businesses not able to open or resume full activities due to Stage 3 restrictions, or businesses that

have ideas to safely amend Stage 3 restrictions or requirements, can visit [Ontario.ca/reopen](https://ontario.ca/reopen) to submit a reopening proposal. Government and public health officials will review proposals and contact businesses for feedback or clarifications. Proposals may inform the potential loosening of restrictions as Stage 3 progresses. Proposals will receive initial feedback within 10 days of submission. A sector could be allowed to reopen or resume Stage 3 activities based on proposals submitted by businesses.

"I'm impressed by how seriously business owners are taking the public health advice and how easy they made it for their customers to take precautions," said Minister Phillips. "By providing plenty of space to physically distance, keeping hand sanitizer by the door, and maintaining records for contact tracing, they're playing a vital role helping fight COVID-19. We're all doing our part and making it easy for others to do the same."

As the province carefully reopens, the health and well-being of Ontarians remains a top priority. The government is strongly recommending everyone to continue following public health advice, including practising physical distancing with those outside your household or social circle, wearing a face covering when physical distancing is a challenge or where it is mandatory to do so, staying home when ill, and washing your hands frequently and thoroughly. These measures are critical as more Ontarians return to work and access more businesses and services.

## QUICK FACTS

- For regions in Stage 3, gathering limits will increase to a maximum of 50 people indoors and a maximum of 100 people outdoors, with physical distancing in place. Gathering limits apply to all social gatherings and events, as well as some higher risk activities and venues. Gathering limits do not apply to settings such as beaches, parks, restaurants and bars, but measures to enable physical distancing may limit capacity at any given time.

- Some municipalities have implemented additional restrictions or requirements, such as mandatory face coverings in commercial establishments and all indoor public places. Check your local public health unit's or local municipality's website.

- For questions on restrictions that will remain in place during Stage 3, review the Stage 3 Emergency Order on the emergency information portal or call the Stop the Spread Business Information Line at 1-888-444-3659.
- Over 180 guidance resources are available to businesses to help them safely reopen and keep customers and workers safe.
- The province has set up a Workplace PPE Supplier Directory, where employers can find suppliers who sell personal protective equipment (PPE) and other supplies to support a safe reopening of their workplaces.
- Testing is available at any of the province's 144 assessment centres currently open. To find your closest assessment centre, please visit [Ontario.ca/coronavirus](https://ontario.ca/coronavirus).
- The province has developed a practical step-by-step guide to help Ontarians as they safely develop and join a social circle.

## COUNCIL NEWS

### GOVERNANCE INTERNAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL PUBLIC MINUTES Tuesday, July 14, 2020

Councillor Veronica King-Jamieson to look for dollars to pay for the Ipads and laptops for all the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation students. This applies to both on and off reserve students.

### OPP REPORT

Re: Mississaugas of the Credit, Monthly Incidents:

June: 43 Incidents: 3 year Average: 41 (2019: 41, 2018: 45, 2017: 38).

Calls for Service:

- 911: Person reporting a traffic issue possible impaired driver on lawnmower.
- Ambulance Assist x 2: EMS seeking assistance with uncooperative patients.
- Animal x 2: Snake on property seeking assistance with removal, report of a pack of 4 wild dogs.
- Assist Other Police Agency: Residence check on behalf of Brantford Police for well-being check.
- Community Services x 5: Community outreach

- initiatives by Provincial Liaison Team members.
- Domestic/Family Disputes x 4: Relationship and family disputes, non-violent.
- Fire: Assist Fire Services with traffic control, loss of shred, deemed not suspicious.
- Mental Health x 4: Officers & Mental Health Crisis Team attended to deal with persons in crisis.
- Mischief: Damage to entrance door, arrangements made with known person to repair damages.
- Motor Vehicle Collisions x 2: Both single vehicles into ditch, charged impaired driving.
- Noise Complaint: Group of girls yelling, noise stopped prior to officer attendance.
- Police Assistance x 10: Individuals seeking information and advice from a Police perspective.
- Possible Stolen Property: Person left motorcycle at smoke shop, investigation reveals licence plate issue.
- Situational Table: Case discussed on how to deal with and mitigate family's issues/calls for service.
- Sudden Death: Investigation into death of person.
- Suspicious Vehicle: Report of vehicle that appeared to veer towards them while walking down road.
- Theft x 2: Trailer unit stolen from business, Licence plates stolen from car.
- Traffic Complaint x 2: Complaints of possible impaired driving.
- Unwanted Person: Caller wishes person removed from residence.

### FINANCIAL PLANNING & FISCAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL PUBLIC MINUTES Tuesday, July 7, 2020

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) Financial Planning & Fiscal Oversight Council approves the LSK Expansion Project Table 1.0 in the amount of \$493,903.00 (Four Hundred Ninety-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Three Dollars). Dollars will come from the Toronto Purchase Trust Education Fund.

## EDUCATION & WELLNESS COUNCIL PUBLIC MINUTES

**Tuesday, June 23, 2020**

An overall work plan and budget under Pillar 3, to be developed to include an annual spraying regime for gypsy moths and caterpillars.

MCFN Education and Wellness Council authorized the Indigenous Services Canada, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Amendment No. A0006 for Agreement 1920-ON-000002 implementing new reporting requirements for Mental Wellness effected fiscal year 2020/2021.

MCFN Education and Wellness Council approved the Director of Child Care and EarlyON Programs to apply to the Community Trust Fund in the amount of \$3,440.00 (Three Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and Zero Cents) for the annual funding of the book program with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

The MCFN Education and Wellness Council accepts and authorizes the signing of the Department of Indigenous Services Canada Notice of Budget Amendment #026 is an amendment to provide fixed funding in the total amount \$550,000.00 (Five Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars). This funding is for program area: Treaties and Aboriginal Government (MCFN Governance).

## GOVERNANCE INTERNAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL PUBLIC MINUTES

**June 9, 2020**

MCFN to look for dollars to pay for the Ipads and laptops for all the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation students. (This includes both on and off reserve students)

### **O.P.P. Monthly Incident Report: May**

25 Incidents: 3 year Average: 41 (2019: 43, 2018: 36, 2017: 45).

- 911 x 2: Officers attended, incidents deemed to be phone line issues.
- Alarm x 3: Lloyd S. King School, cancelled prior to attendance, Country Style, deemed false alarm

due to the building being secure, other alarm was cancelled by key holder.

- Ambulance Assist x 2: EMS seeking assistance with uncooperative patients.
- Community Services x 4:
- Community outreach initiatives by Provincial Liaison Team Members.
- Mischief: Stop Signs and building spray painted with offensive graffiti.
- Motor Vehicle Abandoned: 2nd Line at Mississauga Road near blockade. Causing traffic issues.
- Mental Health: Officers attended to deal with person in crisis.
- Neighbour Dispute: Officer attended in attempt resolve dispute.
- Noise Complaint: Heard male voice yelling, area patrolled with negative results.
- Well Being Check: Request to check on parent, contact made, no concerns.
- Police Assistance x 4: Individuals seeking information and advice from a Police perspective. Stolen Vehicle: Investigation revealed vehicle was taken without consent, owner not interested in charges. Suspicious Vehicle: Report of 2 vehicles near rear garage, investigation revealed it was a family member.
- Theft: Licence plates from 4 Council's work vehicles stolen overnight.
- Traffic Complaint: Vehicle passed check point at high rate of speed, area patrolled with negative results.

MCFN agrees to fund the Donation & Registration Fee Reimbursement for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, in the amount of \$25,000.00 (Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars) (\$12,500.00 for Donation & \$12,500.00 for Registration Fee Reimbursement). And further, that Chief and Council supports the submission of the Donation and Registration Fee Reimbursement Proposal to the MCFN Community Trust, in the amount of \$25,000.00 (Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Dollars will come from the Gaming Reserve Account.

## LAND, WATER & SUSTAINABLE PROSPERITY COUNCIL PUBLIC MINUTES

**May 19**

MCFN accepts \$8,228.79 (Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars & Seventy-Nine Cents) as per the Agreement between MCFN and Hydro One Networks Inc.

## GOVERNANCE INTERNAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL

**May 26**

MCFN approved Public Works Department to proceed with the replacement of air conditioning unit, Factory Tech Start-Up costs (if required) and Siemens software technician in the LSK School classroom. It is agreed that Aaron Mechanical Ltd. at 129 McMichael Road, Waterford, Ontario N0E 1Y0 will be contracted as a dedicated supplier in the amount of TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$27,500.00).

MCFN agrees to participate within the Waterfront Toronto RFP Review Process in the hiring of the Indigenous Design Consultant. The identified representative from the Mississaugas of the First Nation (MCFN) participating in the interviews set to occur in June 2020 will be Councillor Cathie Jamieson.

## GOVERNANCE INTERNAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL

**May 12**

### **O.P.P. Monthly Incident Report: April**

32 Incidents: 3 year Average: 33.6 (2019: 45, 2018: 25, 2017: 31). Note: 2019 25% (11 calls) were Community Service outreach initiatives.

- Calls for Service: 911 x 4: Officers attended 2 calls & confirmed no emergency. 2 incidents deemed phone line issue and officers didn't attend
- Alarm x 3: Officers attended New Credit Plaza with key holder - deemed false alarm, other 2 alarms were cancelled by Alarm Company.
- Animal Complaint: Large grey black dog with collar, unknown owner and animal services will not attend. Breach of Conditions x 2: Persons found to be in violation of their release condition, charges pending. Community Services x 10: Community outreach initiatives, by Provincial

Liaison Team members.

- Family Disputes x 4: Issues related to disruptive behavior of children and a custody order argument. Fire: Involving a car, driver observed smoke from engine hood while driving. Fire department attended. Fraud: Phishing attempt to gain access to banking information.
- Harassment: Complaint of on-going threatening text message. Person warned of potential charges. Noise Complaint: Report of loud music at 2 am, area patrolled no disturbance located.
- Well Being Check x 2: Requests to check on individuals, person located, no concerns.
- Police Assistance: Assisted Six Nations Police with a residence check.
- Traffic Complaint: 1st Line, traffic backed up due to line up at Gas Bar on 1st Line.

MCFN approves the Marshall & Murray Proposal to complete the Professional Quality Surveyor (PQS) Class "C" cost estimates for the LSK Expansion in the amount of \$7,500.00 (Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars) plus extra fees listed below, and further, Chief or Chief Operating Officer will sign Principal Consultant \$250.00 Senior Consultant \$125.00 Intermediate Consultant \$90.00 Junior Consultant \$60.00

## GOVERNANCE INTERNAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL

**March 9**

MCFN agrees that a Committee will be formed regarding the Coronavirus/COVID 19 Virus, and the following people will be a part of this Committee:

- Chief R. Stacey Laforme
- Councillor Evan Sault
- Councillor Craig King
- Public Works Director – Arland LaForme
- A/Education Director – Katie Maracle
- Media and Communications Coordinator – Jackie Martin
- Social & Health Services Director – Rachelle Ingrao Margaret Copeland RN at Social & Health Services Department
- Any other resources required



## Congratulations to Delta Sault.

Delta was the winner of the Hank DeKoning Gift Card. Coordinator of the draw, Leslie Maracle would like to thank everyone who submitted their recipes.

**DRAW WINNER: David King**  
David's wife Donna accepted the cards on his behalf. **CONGRATULATIONS!**



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## Employment Opportunities

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: WATERFRONT TORONTO TASK FORCE PROJECT MANAGER

The Waterfront Toronto Task Force Project Manager will oversee the operations of the MCFN Task Force to coordinate advancing MCFN's goals related to Waterfront Toronto's revitalization activities in its traditional treaty territory.

Closing Date: Sep. 24, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

### Information Technology Point Person

The Information Technology Point Person is responsible for providing technical support to the staff and students of LSK

Closing Date: Sep. 24, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

### Home and Community Care Coordinator/Supervisor

The Home and Community Care Coordinator combines health sciences knowledge with assessment, supervisory and clinical nursing skills to effectively meet the Home Care service needs of the client base and is responsible for the administration and implementation of the Home and Community Care Unit.

Closing Date: Sep. 24, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

### Family Support Worker

Under the direction of the Family Support Supervisor, the Family Support Worker is responsible for providing direct support to individual clients and families, by providing family counselling services, handling Case Management service coordination for clients and facilitating the development of self-help support groups; assisting with protection investigation, child placement and supervision requirements; and assisting with the general unit administration.

Closing Date: Sep. 17, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

### Music Instructor

The Music Instructor teaches and implements the music program in the school. The Music Instructor is responsible for ensuring that each child has the opportunity to reach his/her maximum potential, through the creation and implementation of suitable programs and teaching strategies to meet individual students' needs.

Closing Date: Sep. 17, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

### Infrastructure Maintenance Worker (Buildings)

To assist the Infrastructure staff to ensure the overall infrastructure of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) is operating at an optimal level of performance by assisting the Infrastructure staff in performing duties to

ensure the proper operation and maintenance of the road system when required, buildings, properties, equipment and machinery are compliant with health and safety standards and are able to perform the functions for which they were designed and assisting in the improvement and effectiveness of the services offered by the Public Works Department.

Closing Date: Sep. 17, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

### Public Works – Casual Worker

Closing Date: Open Call

### Childcare Casual RECE and EarlyON Facilitator

Closing Date: Open Call

### Casual Supply Teacher

Closing Date: Open Call

### After School Program Assistant

Closing Date: Open Call for Resumes

### Casual Receptionist Updated January 2019

Closing Date: Open Call

### Casual Registered Early Childhood Educator – Afterschool Program

Closing Date: Open Call

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SEPTEMBER 10

## Statement from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Return to School Plan



August 2, 2020

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Chief and Council approved the Lloyd S. King Elementary (LSK) Return to School plan for September 2020. There will be consultation with LSK parents/caregivers, teachers and ongoing meetings with the LSK Working group to finalize the details of the plans. The Working group will continue to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic and amend plans as necessary.

The following was outlined for LSK's Return to School plan:

- The first term (September 2020-February 2021) will be taught online. Staff will be utilizing Brightspace/ D2L to better support students and families.
- Beginning in November/December 2020 the working group will take part in discussions to determine if the second term (February-June 2021) will continue online or if the covid-19 infection rates are low enough to return to in-class learning.
- Students will begin their studies online September 14, 2020 and the school year will end June 30, 2021. Participation will be required as the term will be graded.
- Staff will be expected to work at the school during this time, and will provide office hours for students/ parents to reach out with additional questions.
- Apple iPads will be provided for at home use for the first term so that each student will have a device. Each device will be equipped to access wifi, LTE, or USB (pre-uploaded learning materials) depending on their internet capabilities at the student's home. Devices will be property of LSK school.
- A phone survey will be conducted in the next week with each family to determine which type of device they will require for their children.
- Data packages will be purchased for those without unlimited internet access and who are not in a connection dead-zone.
- Apple can provide learning sessions for teachers, parents and caregivers to help become more acquainted with the new devices.
- Education Assistants will work with teachers and students to provide additional supports.
- In regards to Special Education, we are working on a model that will best meet the needs of students. Updates will be shared when available.

If you have any questions in the interim, please contact Katelyn LaForme, Director of Education via email at [education.director@mncfn.ca](mailto:education.director@mncfn.ca) or alternatively you can reach the Principal at [lsk.principal@mncfn.ca](mailto:lsk.principal@mncfn.ca)



### Chief and Council

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## Notice to Lloyd S. King Elementary Students/Families



- If you have not provided a registration package for your child(ren) for the 2020-2021 school year please complete the forms in full and provide all required documentation by Sept. 3, 2020. Please email forms to [lsk.secretary@mncfn.ca](mailto:lsk.secretary@mncfn.ca) or [lsk.principal@mncfn.ca](mailto:lsk.principal@mncfn.ca). You can also drop off registration forms to the Education Department in the mail slot by the door.

Education Department Address:  
6 First Line Rd.  
Hagersville,  
ON N0A 1H0

- Registration forms must be completed for each school year.
- Completed registration form must be received prior to distribution of Apple iPads and school backpacks/supplies. Please note that Apple iPads are school property and for student use.
- Registration forms can be found on the <https://lskelementary.com/> website.
- There will be upcoming virtual training for iPads and BrightSpace provided to parents/guardians, dates to follow.
- If you have any questions please contact [lsk.principal@mncfn.ca](mailto:lsk.principal@mncfn.ca) or [lsk.secretary@mncfn.ca](mailto:lsk.secretary@mncfn.ca).



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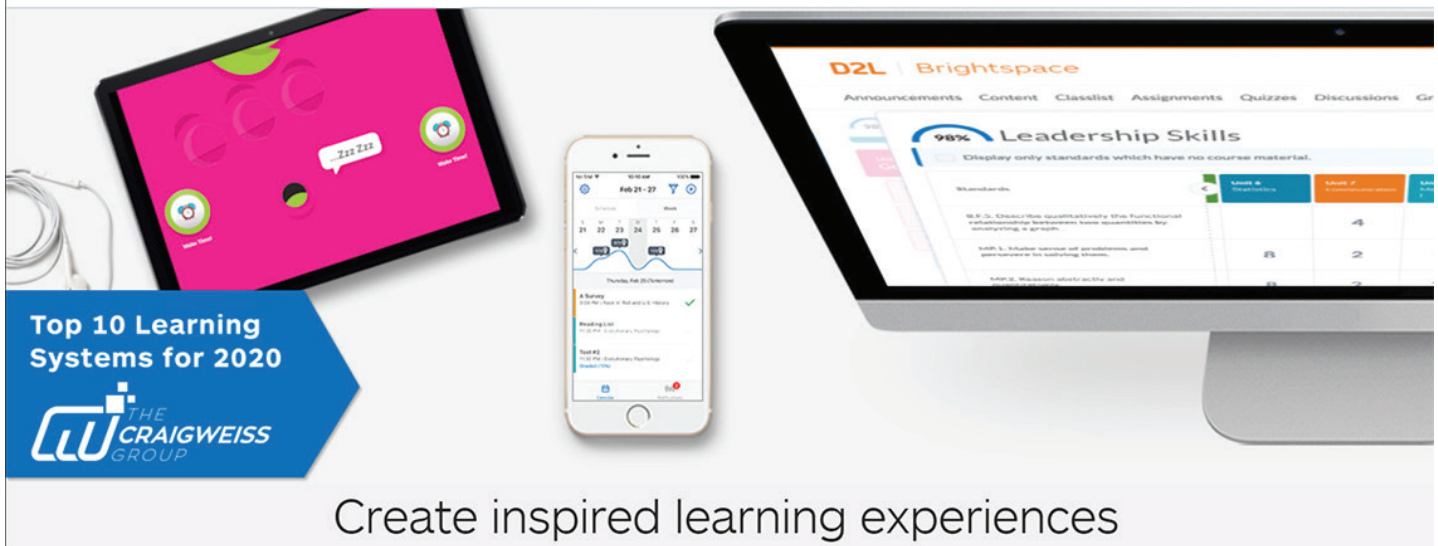


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Brightspace is built to scale and we're here if you need us. Our implementation, training, and support teams are all hands on deck, prepared and ready to assist your team remotely.

For more information and familiarize yourself with the platform, please visit: <https://www.d2l.com/>

## MCFN Secondary School Buses Health and Safety Protocol During Covid – 19

### Drivers

- PPE to be worn at all times while students are on board.
- Vehicle to be sanitized after each morning and afternoon route (Commonly touched areas – hand rail, tops of seats, etc.).
- Driver cockpit area to be sanitized before and after each route.
- Drivers are not to handle any student property during pick up or drop off.
- Drivers are not to allow parents on the bus due to social distancing.

### Students

- It's mandatory that all students to wear a mask.
- Students must bring their own bags and property on the bus without help from the driver.
- **Students must sit in designated seat – NO EXCEPTIONS. A seating plan will be provided to each family.**
- Students requested to have hand sanitizer.

### Parents

- Please **DO NOT** send a sick child on the bus.
- **Make sure children have required mask – students can be denied ride on the bus without it.**



## LMR OFFICE PROCEDURES

The Lands, Membership & Research Department is scheduled to reopen on September 8, 2020. For the safety of all staff and visitors, we will be implementing the following new entry procedures.

- Please call the LMR office at 905-768-0100 starting September 8, 2020 to book an appointment time for membership, lands or status cards. Appointment times will start on September 14, 2020.
- **WALK-INS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT ANY TIME**
- Entry into the LMR office will be only for the person/s with appointments booked ahead of time. Stay in your cars and call the office when you arrive for your appointment time.
- Visitors will be asked three (3) screening questions before entry into the LMR office.
- Visitors are required to wear a mask while in the LMR office.
- **NEW FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER ONLY**, status cards will be issued Monday to Friday from 9am to 3:30pm. Starting October 1st status cards will be issued on Thursdays and Fridays only.
- When applying for a status card you will need two (2) pieces of ID. Acceptable ID include birth certificate, health card, drivers' licence, provincial ID card, employee ID or student ID with digitized photo, firearms licence, old status card (cannot be expired for no more 6 months), passport or Nexus card.
- Picture Fee for status card is \$3 (cash only)



**Lands, Membership and Research Department**  
Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation  
6 First Line Road, R.R. #6, Hagersville, Ontario N0A 1H0



Phone: (905) 768-0100  
Fax: (905) 768-7311

# PUBLIC WORKS

## UPGRADE TO THE TOM HOWE CLOSED LANDFILL SITE GAS COLLECTION SYSTEM

August 4, 2020

RE: UPGRADE TO THE TOM HOWE CLOSED LANDFILL SITE GAS COLLECTION SYSTEM

Dear Neighbours:

Haldimand County has been operating and maintaining a gas collection and flaring system at Tom Howe landfill site in order to collect and burn off the gases produced as a result of decomposition of the garbage. The gas volumes are now declining to a level where it is necessary to retrofit the flaring system so that the unit will better meet the needs of the declining volumes and be able to maintain a steady operation until such time the gas collection is no longer required.

As part of the retrofitting project, Haldimand County will be required, at times, to temporarily shut down the unit to accommodate the work. In preparation for this upgrade, Haldimand County has decided to perform

an uncontrolled trial shutdown of the system to determine if any significant on-site or off-site odours are detected. The results of the trial shutdown will aid in determining if any remedial measures will be required during the mechanical retrofits and upgrades.

The shutdown is scheduled to commence Friday, September 11, 2020 for a consecutive eight to ten day period and will be inspected and monitored for any impacts that it may cause. A second trial shutdown would be scheduled in October, if it is determined to be necessary.

If you experience any odours coming from the site during this project or you have any questions or concerns in regards to the upcoming project, please feel free to call the Waste Management Team at 905-318-5932 ext. 6128.

Thank-you for your cooperation,

Mark Loney  
Solid Waste Operations Technologist  
Environmental Operations  
mloney@haldimandcounty.on.ca  
905-318-5932

## NOTICE

# FACE COVERING REQUIRED



Masks are required in all MCFN buildings to help prevent the spread of COVID-19



Thank you for your cooperation.

If you have already registered with the Lawn Maintenance Program, your lawn care will resume. Please note registration closed June 12, 2020. Your lawn will be cut once every two weeks. Please be advised you will be responsible for removing items and animal waste from your lawn prior to grass cutting or the contractor will be completing lawn care around debris/objects.

Also please ensure that your pets are tied up and/or kept inside when the contractors are on site. This is for the safety and well-being of the contractors, their equipment and your pet.



## Lawn Maintenance Program

May 2020 to September 30, 2020

If you have any questions, please contact Pet or Janice (Reception) at 905-768-1181

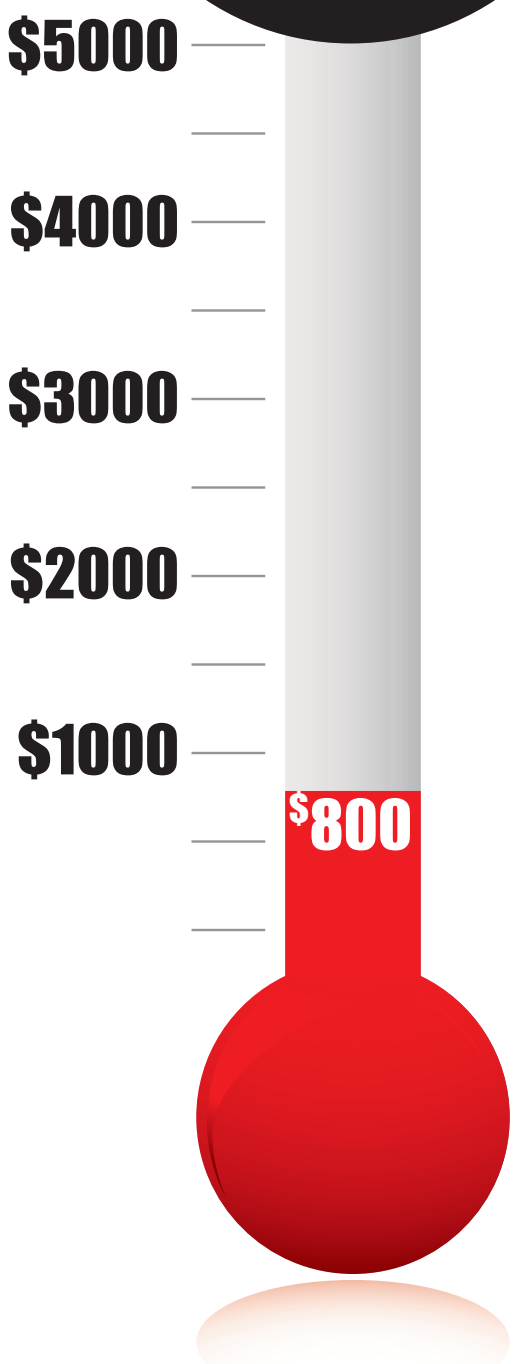
# Challenge ACCEPTED

Chief Stacey Laforme has graciously agreed to be egged if the goal is met! Margaret Sault will be accepting etransfers on behalf of the New Credit Cancer Support Group. You can etransfer her at: [margaret.sault@mncfn.ca](mailto:margaret.sault@mncfn.ca)

Once the goal is reached, Councillor Julie LaForme will use two dozen eggs obtained from local business King's Heritage Farm (Katharine Brown). Julie's son Grant LaForme will video the egging and post to all those who have contributed to this great cause.

The Cancer Support Group is comprised of several local volunteers who have taken on the task of helping those who are impacted by this terrible disease. The group began in 2018 and offers education and support services to all. Please help them help others by contributing to this much need support group. please share this post so we can reach our goal.

**THE GOAL:  
IF 500 PEOPLE DONATE  
\$10 TO THE  
NEW CREDIT CANCER  
SUPPORT GROUP,  
CHIEF LAFORME IS  
GETTING EGGED!**



## Notice: Rabies Control Operations

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) will be conducting Oral Rabies Vaccine (ORV) bait distribution and trap-vaccinate-release (TVR) programs in the summer and fall of 2020. Baiting and TVR operations will begin early July and continue until the end of October.

The ministry's rabies control operations are essential to public health and to the health of wildlife. With the current COVID-19 outbreak, additional health and safety measures have been put into place using the best available information from Public Health Ontario to deliver this program safely and minimize risks to staff, the public, and wildlife. The ministry will continue to re-evaluate as the response to the COVID-19 outbreak continues.

Please find attached:

### Map of planned baiting area for 2020

#### Rabies Vaccine Bait Information

Per the attached map, rabies vaccine bait distribution will be conducted in rural areas with MNRF aircraft and by hand in urban areas by MNRF wildlife technicians. These are the details of bait distribution work in 2020 (dates are subject to change depending on weather conditions):

Yellow shaded areas will be completed with a combination of Twin Otter airplane and Eurocopter EC130 helicopter. Twin Otter flights will occur from August 17 through to August 28, with Eurocopter EC130 flights occurring August 10 to 14 and September 8 to 11.

The brown shaded area will be completed by a Twin Otter airplane between August 17 and 21.

Urban hand baiting, including the use of temporary feeding stations, will occur in the orange shaded areas starting in the first week of July and continue through to the end of October.

Live trapping and vaccinating wildlife (trap-vaccinate-release) will occur in the areas surrounding Hamilton shaded in pink starting in the first week of July and will continue through to the end of October.

Preventative baiting of the purple shaded areas in eastern Ontario will take place in mid-August and will take one day to complete.

In addition to the activities mentioned above, MNRF may conduct localized rapid response baiting and trap-vaccinate-release measures, which would take place in the

event of a raccoon or fox strain rabies case outside of the planned baiting area.

The ministry is committed to the research, surveillance, control and elimination of the recent outbreak of rabies in southwestern Ontario to prevent the disease from spreading. Since the start of the rabies outbreak in 2015, the first of its kind in over a decade, NRF has taken quick action to protect communities, distributing over five million vaccine baits by air and ground. There was a 70 per cent decrease in the number of rabies cases in 2019, from 2018. There were no new cases of rabies in our fox strain surveillance area brown shaded area on the map), which, in keeping with World Health Organization guidelines, has led to a decrease in the control zone where there have been no reported cases in over two years.

Any warm-blooded mammal can contract rabies. If a human contracts rabies and does not receive treatment, the disease is fatal.

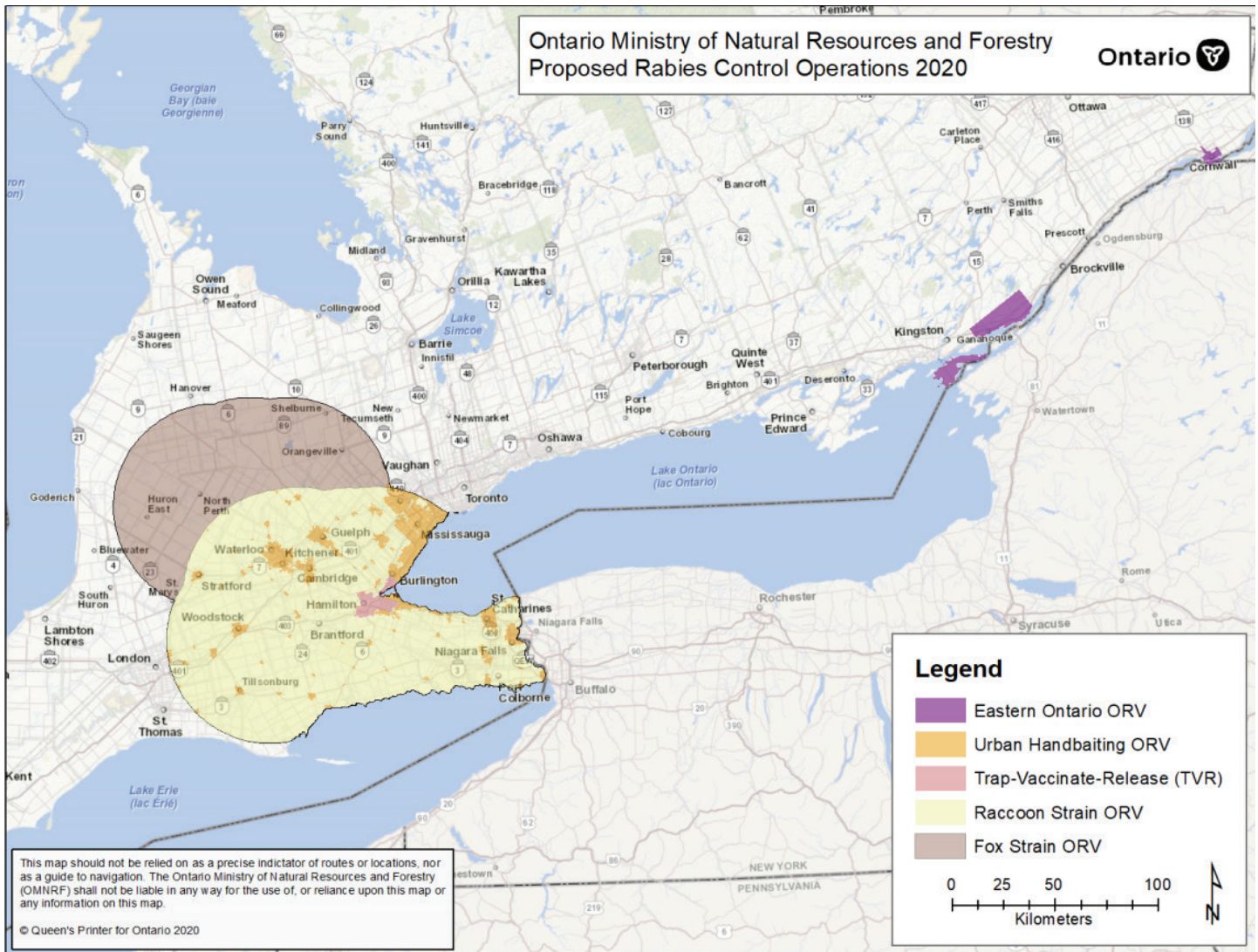
The khaki-green coloured bait being distributed by hand and by aircraft is made of wax-fat with an attractant flavour (vanilla-sugar). A label with a toll-free telephone number (1-888-574-6656) and the message "Do not eat" is located on the exterior of the bait, and a plastic package containing the liquid rabies vaccine is embedded in the centre. If found, the bait should not be touched, but left for raccoons, skunks and foxes to consume. (See attached bait identification hand out for detailed description.) Ontario's rabies vaccine baits have been tested to ensure they are safe for wildlife, people and pets. However, eating a vaccine bait does not replace the regular rabies vaccination provided by a veterinarian for your pet. If your pet has eaten a bait and you are concerned, contact your vet as a precaution.

Ontario's rabies control program is a joint effort that receives important input and contributions from a variety of partners across the province. Partnerships with provincial ministries, federal agencies, regional health units, municipalities, wildlife rehabilitators, icensed trappers, wildlife control agents and Indigenous communities are all key to the continued success of Ontario's rabies control program.

For further information about rabies in Ontario, please visit [Ontario.ca/rabies](http://Ontario.ca/rabies) or contact MNRF's rabies information line at 1-888-574-6656.

Larissa Nituch  
Rabies Science Operations Supervisor  
705-313-2043 (cell)  
[Larissa.Nituch@ontario.ca](mailto:Larissa.Nituch@ontario.ca)





## The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

### Rabies vaccine bait identification

The Ultra-lite vaccine bait, ONRAB, is used in Ontario for both fox strain and raccoon strain rabies control. Exposure to the bait is not harmful to people or pets; however, in the event that people or pets come in contact with the vaccine contained in the bait, contacting a doctor or veterinarian as a precaution is recommended.

### Bait Ingredients

The bait formula coats the blister pack containing the vaccine. This formula consists of vegetable based fats, wax, icing sugar, vegetable oil, artificial marshmallow flavour and dark-green food grad fat-soluble dye.

Ultra-lite blister-pack (Vaccine Carrier)

This is a polyvinyl chloride (PVC) blister pack (40 mm x 22 mm x 10 mm) which weighs approximately 4.3 grams. The blister pack is teal green polyester flocked container with a heat-sealed laminated polyester lidding. The body of the blister pack is embedded in the bait matrix but the green lidding is exposed and has a black warning label printed on it.



### Vaccine inside Baits

ONRAB® oral rabies vaccine  
 Description: a recombinant live virus liquid vaccine  
 Volume/bait: 1.8 ± 0.1 ml in the blister pack  
 Other inclusions: vaccine stabilizers  
 Colour: pale orange to pale pink  
 Target species: skunk, fox, and raccoon

# SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

## Going Out Safely During COVID-19

Your actions matter. Make informed choices to keep yourself and others safe.

### Avoid

- closed spaces
- crowded places
- close contact

### Always

- stay home and away from others if you feel sick
- follow local public health advice
- stick to a small and consistent social circle
- Assess your risk

Risk levels may vary based on your ability to physically distance, the use of non-medical masks by you and others, and the controls put in place at the establishment or setting to further reduce risk. Some examples of low, medium, high risk are provided below but depend on whether or not proper public health measures are followed. Risk level for exposure is impacted by closed spaces, prolonged exposure time, crowds, forceful exhalation (yelling, singing, coughing).

### Low risk

- Getting mail and packages
- Grocery and retail shopping with public health measures
- Camping
- Driving Car (solo or with household contacts)
- Going for a walk
- Backyard BBQ with your 'bubble' contacts
- Restaurant takeout
- Community/outdoor parks and beaches
- Running/hiking/biking solo or at a distance from others
- Socially distanced picnic
- Playing "distanced" sports outside (tennis/golf)

### Medium risk

- Hair salon/ barbershop
- Medical/health appointments/dentist
- Hotel/BnB
- Taxi/ride shares
- Working in an office
- Playing on play structures

- Movie theatre
- Outdoor restaurant/patio
- School/camp/daycare
- Public pools
- Malls/museums/galleries
- Weddings and funerals
- Visiting elderly or at-risk family/friends in their home

### High risk

- Bars and nightclubs
- Gyms and athletic studios
- Cruise ships and resorts
- Hugging, kissing or shaking hands
- Large religious/cultural gatherings
- Watching sporting events in arenas and stadiums
- Casinos
- Crowded public transportation (bus, subway)
- Crowded indoor restaurant/buffet
- Amusement parks
- High contact sports with shared equipment (football/basketball)
- Conferences
- Music concerts, or places where people are singing or shouting
- Sexual activity with new people
- Indoor party
- Understand risk factors
- Activities from least risky to most risky
- Home alone or with household contacts
- Outdoors with housemates or social bubble
- Outdoors with physical distancing
- Outdoor/indoor short amount of time
- Indoors large groups long time
- Indoors/outdoors crowded longer time

For more information on COVID-19: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html>

And/or call the MCFN Community Health Nurse 905 768 0141 ext. 239 and leave a message.

**REMEMBER:** Avoid closed spaces, crowded places, and close contact. Always stay home and away from others if you feel sick, follow local public health advice, stick to a small and consistent social circle.

# SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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Indoors/outdoors Crowded Longer time

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# SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

## Full Details: How to Build Your Social Circle

Step 1: Start with your current circle: anyone you live with or who regularly comes into your household.

- This may be family members, including children, or your roommates. Be sure to include anyone that would come into regular close contact with the people you live with. This may be another parent to your child(ren) that lives outside the home or a babysitter or caregiver.
- Be sure to include anyone in their households as well, if they don't live with you. You may not see them often, but they would still be considered part of your current circle.
- Remember that everyone in a household must be part of the same social circle.

Step 2: If under 10 people, you can add members to your social circle, including another household, family members or friends.

- As you add in additional members, ask yourself whether they live with or come into regular close contact with anyone else. You may never see them,

but they would still be considered part of your social circle.

- If you live alone, you may want to start with family members or other close friends.
- Also ask yourself what makes most sense for you and your household. That could include another household with similarly-aged children or family members that you want to spend more time with. Friends who live alone or with a few roommates can also form a social circle.
- Individuals at higher risk, including those over 70, and individuals with compromised immune systems and/or underlying medical conditions, can participate in a social circle depending on their unique circumstances.
- Remember that your social circle can start with fewer than 10 people. It's always best to start slow and safely add more members later.

Step 3: Get agreement from everyone that they will join the social circle. That means they agree to only join one circle, and physically distance with anyone outside the circle.

- Essential workers like frontline health care workers, first responders, retail workers and transit operators can still be part of a social circle, so long as the other members are aware of the risks and agree to them.

Step 4: Keep your social circle safe.

- Continue to follow public health advice, including frequent hand washing and sneezing and coughing into a sleeve. You should continue to physically distance with anyone outside your circle by keeping two metres or six feet apart from them.
- If anyone in your social circle is feeling sick, they should immediately self-isolate at home and not come into close contact with anyone, including other members of the circle.
- They can find an assessment centre at [ontario.ca/coronavirus](https://ontario.ca/coronavirus) to get tested for COVID-19.
- Everyone else in the circle should closely monitor themselves for symptoms of COVID-19.
- If you believe you have been exposed to COVID-19 you should also be tested.


Step 5: Be true to your social circle.


- No one should be part of more than one circle.


## How to Build Your Social Circle


As we continue our shared fight against COVID-19, social circles are a way of safely expanding the number of people with whom we can come into close contact. Think of your social circle as the people you can hug and touch, or those who can become part of your daily and weekly routines.


### To create a safe social circle, follow these five simple steps:

 **Step 1:** Start with your current circle: the people you live with or who regularly come into your household.

 **Step 2:** If your current circle is under 10 people, you can add members to your circle, including another household, family members or friends.

 **Step 3:** Get agreement from everyone that they will join the circle.

 **Step 4:** Keep your social circle safe. Maintain physical distancing with anyone outside of your circle.

 **Step 5:** Be true to your social circle. No one should be part of more than one circle.



Visit [ontario.ca/socialcircles](https://ontario.ca/socialcircles)

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# Preventing the West Nile Virus

For more information, contact Laura-Lee Kelly at 905-768-0141, ext. 241 or email [lauralee.kelly@mncfn.ca](mailto:lauralee.kelly@mncfn.ca)

The Community Health Representative will not be doing weekly trapping or sending for testing of adult mosquitoes this year. The West Nile Virus Surveillance Program will resume next season 2021. Please take the following precautions when outdoors, especially from the month of August until the end of October.

**Preventative Measures: Mosquitoes are often most active at dawn (first light) and dusk (just before dark).**

- Cover any exposed skin when you are outside, wear: long pants, socks, hat and long sleeved shirts, and light colour clothing.
- Use of insect repellent when outside (bug sprays and lotions) that contain Deet or Icaridin (do not use either on infants or children under the age of 6 months.)
- Depending on your age: Deet 30% in adults and children 12 years +; Deet aged 2 - 12 yrs., 10% up to three times a day; Infants 6 months - 2 years - 10% only once per day.
- When outdoors, place mosquito netting over strollers and playpens.

**Reduce mosquito habitats near your home: (mosquitoes lay eggs in standing water)**

- Drain any standing water in old tires, rain barrels, children's toys, flower pots, wading pools, and bird baths.
- Clean eavestroughs.
- Store canoes or wheelbarrows upside down.
- Replace water in outdoor pet dishes daily.
- Repair screens on windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out of your home.

**Symptoms of West Nile Virus in humans can include:**

- Very bad headache, bad fever, sore neck, throwing up, muscle weakness, and blurred vision.
- Seek medical attention from your health care provider if you have any of these symptoms or suspect you have contracted the West Nile Virus.



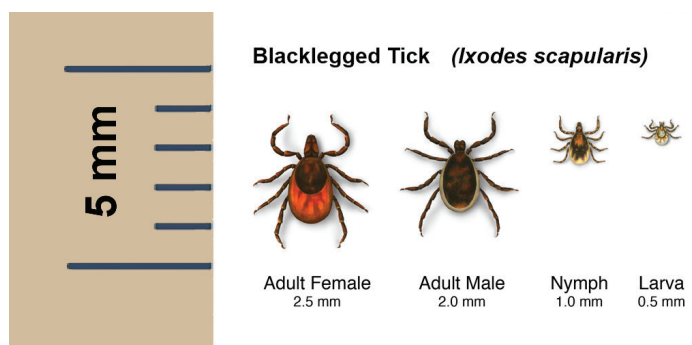
## Risk of Lyme disease to Canadians

Learn about the risks of getting Lyme disease and where in Canada you are most at risk.

### What is the risk to Canadians?

The risk of getting a tick bite starts when the weather warms up in the spring, through until the fall. Ticks can also be active in the winter, if the winter is mild and there is not much snow. However, the greatest risk occurs during the spring and summer months.

Blacklegged ticks are most often found in forests, wooded areas, shrubs, tall grass and leaf piles. Because tick populations are spreading, it is possible to be bitten outside of these areas.



### Who is most at risk?

If you work outdoors or participate in outdoor activities, you may be at a greater risk for tick bites. When engaging in the following activities, you should take precautions against tick bites:

Here are some ways to protect yourself if you venture into wooded or forested areas within risk areas for Lyme disease:

- Wear light coloured long-sleeved shirts and pants to spot ticks more easily
- Tuck your shirt into your pants, and pull your socks over your pant legs
- Use bug spray containing DEET or Icaridin on your skin and clothing (always follow the directions on the label)
- Walk on cleared paths or walkways
- Shower or bathe within two hours of being outdoors to facilitate a prompt tick check and to remove ticks that have not attached yet
- Do a daily full-body check for ticks on yourself and your children, especially in the hair, under the arms, in and around the ears, inside the belly button, behind the knees, between the legs and

around the waist

If you find an attached tick, remove it with tweezers immediately. Removing it within 24-36 hours can help prevent infection.

Do a tick check on your outdoor gear and your pets as they could carry ticks inside your home

Put dry outdoor clothes in a dryer on high heat for 10 minutes to kill any remaining ticks. If your clothes are damp, additional drying time is needed. If you need to wash your clothes first, hot water is recommended. If the clothes cannot be washed in hot water, tumble dry on low heat for 90 minutes or high heat for 60 minutes.

### Where in Canada are you at risk?

The greatest risk of acquiring Lyme disease occurs where populations of ticks that carry the bacteria (*B. burgdorferi*) that causes Lyme disease, have become established.

Surveillance in recent years indicates that populations of blacklegged ticks are spreading in eastern and central Canada. Areas in Canada where there is evidence for the occurrence of reproducing populations of known tick vector species (particularly blacklegged ticks and western blacklegged ticks) and the likely transmission of *B. burgdorferi* are called: Lyme disease risk areas

Following are the currently identified risk areas in Canada:

In Ontario, currently identified risk areas for Lyme disease are:

- along the north shores of Lake Erie and Lake Ontario;
- parts of Thousand Islands National Park;
- Kingston and surrounding area along the St. Lawrence Valley to the border with Quebec and northeast towards Ottawa;
- Northwestern Ontario in the region of Lake of the Woods; and
- Pinery Park on the shore of Lake Huron.

Please contact Community Health at the Social and Health Building for more information. LauraLee Kelly CHR and Maggie Copeland, CHN at 905-768-0141.

## Stay At Home Initiative - Tye Dye T-shirts



During the past few months, MCFN has hosted many stay at home initiatives. Hudson and Jace (above) loved the Tye Dye activity. Mom says "thanks so much for the super fun activities to keep them busy!"



### Winners of the Twin Valley Zoo Tickets

**Erin King Ferreira**  
**Stephanie LaForme**  
**Christine Lillian**  
**Erin Bennett**  
**William Joseph Suter**  
**Shannelle Martin**  
**Haylie Dennise Eady**  
**Ruby Tues**  
**Heather Palmer**  
**Jeanette Cossaro**

**Congratulations to our winners!**

### SNOW REMOVAL TENDER



The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Social and Health Services Department is accepting Tenders for Snow Removal for the 2020/2021 winter season.

Snow removal will be provided for community members who currently access Long Term Care Services (i.e. Homemaking, Personal Care). Snow removal will also be available to band members 60 years of age and over.

Bid Package is to include:

- Rate per driveway (to include driver plus equipment) for approximately fifty (50) driveways, which is approximately five (5) miles.
- The different equipment and machinery owned and operated for snow removal.
- Proof of insurance.
- Proof of licence to operate stated equipment and machinery.
- Identification of individual(s) that will be employed to assist bidder and proof of licence of the individual(s) to operate stated equipment and machinery.

Please submit sealed bids to:

Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation  
2789 Mississauga Road, R.R. #6  
Hagersville, ON N0A 1H0  
2020/2021 Snow Removal Bid

Attention: Rachelle Ingrao, Director of Social and Health Services

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation will accept bids up to 12 noon on Friday, Oct. 16, 2020.

# SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES



## CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM

Monday to Friday 8:30-4:30pm  
Rebecca Brown 905-975-1189

Phone/Text: 905-975-1189, Samsung Duo or Whatsapp: 905-975-1189,  
Zoom via person link, Email: Rebecca.Brown@mncfn.ca

Aanii! A friendly reminder that our Children's Mental Health Program has adapted to online/telephone counselling for children, youth and families. Times can be tough with changes to routines, hang outs with friends, news, social movements, travel, school, graduation...the list goes on. It's okay to feel down or overwhelmed with everything going on, but it doesn't mean we have to stay in that feeling. You are worthy of mental wellness and we are here to help.

For help after hours call any one of the numbers below:

- Hope for Wellness Helpline: online chat or call for mental health counselling and crisis intervention to all Indigenous peoples: 1-855-242-3310
- Six Nations Crisis Line 1-866-445-2204
- Kids Help Phone - online chat or call 1-800-668-6868 to speak to a counsellor
- Transgender Crisis Line: 1-877-330-6366
- The Trevor Project - provides crisis and suicide support for LGBTQ youth, 1-866-4-U-TREVOR (1-866-488-7386).

Don't forget to keep a look out for mental wellness resources on the MCFirstNationYouth Instagram account  
<https://www.instagram.com/MCFirstNationYouth/>



## Care Haven Healthcare Inc. "The Going Mobile Project"

**FREE** Education, awareness and point of care testing for HEPC

Wednesday,  
September 16, 2020  
2:00 p.m.  
to  
5:00 p.m.

MCFN Social & Health Building  
Parking lot (look for the bus in front of the basketball court)  
659-Building #2 New Credit Rd, Hagersville, ON

All community members welcome  
No appointment needed, social distancing rules will apply, first come first served

Toll free Number:  
1-844-663-9011

for more information

Bring your Health card, please wear a face covering or mask

For more information, please contact Suzanne Edwards at 844-663-9011 Ext. 402



Care Haven

[www.carehaven.org](http://www.carehaven.org)

Promotional giveaways!

## Outdoor Zumba Class

Start date: Thursday August 6, 2020 and every Thursday thereafter weather permitting!  
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

(outdoors in front of LSK school)  
659-New Credit Road, Hagersville, ON

This is open to the MCFN Members. You must pre-register prior to Thursday, limited spots to 10 participants, no drop-ins!

To pre-register, contact Janice Mt.Pleasant at (905) 768-0141 please leave a message

Bring your own water. Please wear comfortable exercise clothing.



Please make sure that you are social distancing at these classes (stay at least 2 metres (or 6 feet) away from others, and DO NOT ATTEND if you are feeling unwell (coughing, short of breath, fever, etc.)

mental health  
**YOU matter**

**YOU ARE NOT ALONE**  
24 hour Helplines

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Victim Services of Haldimand--New Credit          | 1-800-264-6671 |
| First Nations & Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line | 1-855-242-3310 |
| Six Nations Crisis Line                           | 1-866-445-2204 |
| Kids Help Phone                                   | 1-800-668-6868 |
| St. Leonard's Community Services                  | 1-866-811-7188 |
| Crisis Assessment & Support Team (CAST)           | 1-866-487-2278 |
| Ontario Mental Health Help Line                   | 1-866-531-2600 |
| Ontario Drug & Alcohol Helpline                   | 1-800-564-8603 |

If you require assistance during these challenging times or just need to talk with someone please contact Faith Rivers at 905-536-7863. She is available Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For after-hours assistance, please contact any one of the services listed above.







The Healthy Babies Healthy Children Coordinator is now in the office on Thursdays and Fridays. Office visits will resume on these days.

\*\*Please note: you will be required to wear a mask and complete a mandatory three question screening process.

Please call/text Beth to schedule a visit at 905-768-1181 or 905-865-2689

## September 10<sup>th</sup> World Suicide Prevention Day

*Working together to prevent suicide*



Paint day for  
"Ensinsadjig koomdamaazwin"  
September 10, 2020  
10 am - 12 pm

Space is limited to 15 participants.

[www.suicideprevention.ca](http://www.suicideprevention.ca)

A bagged lunch will be provided.

Wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on and please bring your own drink.

Social and Health Outside under the Tent

This event is open to all MCFN community members 18 and up residing on reserve.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**  
Sept 4, 2020 by 4:30 pm

To register:  
Email Faith Rivers at [Faith.Rivers@mncfn.ca](mailto:Faith.Rivers@mncfn.ca)



# YOGA

## Outdoor Yoga Class

Start date: Saturday August 15, 2020 and every Saturday thereafter weather permitting!  
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

MCFN Social & Health building (outdoor in the grass area beside basketball court)  
659-Building #2 New Credit Road, Hagersville, ON

Pre-register prior to Saturday, limited spots to 10 participants, no drop-ins!

All community members welcome! Bring your own yoga mat or block, water, and hand sanitizer.

Please make sure that you are social distancing at these classes (stay at least 2 metres (or 6 feet) away from others, and DO NOT ATTEND if you are feeling unwell (coughing, short of breath, fever, etc.)

To pre-register contact Laura-Lee Kelly (905) 768-0141 ext. 241 or email: [lauralee.kelly@mncfn.ca](mailto:lauralee.kelly@mncfn.ca) please leave a message



## Red Shoes Rock.

FASD (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder) Awareness.  
Story and Red Shoe Photo Contest.

September 9, 2020 8:30am-4:30pm



Everyone in the community can participate and free to enter!!



Gift cards for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners!



ASK ME About my  
**RED SHOES**



Contest Submission: Email a story of how you brought about awareness of FASD, along with a photo of yourself and/or with others wearing red shoes (no faces in the pictures please).

Email your story and photo to Laura-Lee Kelly, CHR and Beth King, HB/HC Coordinator at [lauralee.kelly@mncfn.ca](mailto:lauralee.kelly@mncfn.ca) [beth.king@mncfn.ca](mailto:beth.king@mncfn.ca)

If you prefer to drop off a copy of your story and photo, there will be a red mailbox outside of the MCFN Social and Health Services building, 659 New Credit Road, on September 9. Please put inside.

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CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Andrew Rose, who graduated Grade 8 with a 93.1% average!  
I'm sooo proud of my boy!  
Kevin Rose

**HENRY, William**

Congratulations to William on winning the M.V.P. award for curling. Good Luck next year. Love Nana, Dad, Mom, Emmaline and Gramdma

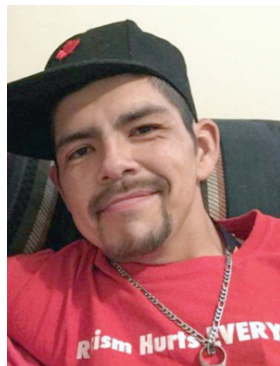
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OBITUARIES

*Joshua Mark Shanush*

It is with heavy hearts the family of "Joshua Mark Shanush" announce his sudden passing on July 29, 2020.

Joshua possessed such a witty, cheerful, outgoing, and friendly persona, that could bring a smile to anyone's face along with his willingly helping hand. His infectious laughter will be remembered by all. Joshua was an avid volunteer at the Three Fires PowWow at New Credit. His love of life was a trademark of his own. Forever missed by his Proud Mother Jackie (late Fred)( late Pat) and Father Reggie, Much loved by sisters Maribeth, Justine, Lana(Sherry), Nephew John, Grandparents Carol (late Howdy) (late Clayton), the late Chay-o and Goo-Goo, the late Abel and Clara, the Late Uncle Kim(Clara); Aunti Veronica, Auntie Sarah(Roy). Fondly remembered by many cousins, great aunts and uncles, friends, and godson Morgan. Rested at 3372 Mississauga Rd., where funeral service will be held on Sunday, August 9. Burial New Credit Cemetery. [www.rhbanderson.com](http://www.rhbanderson.com)



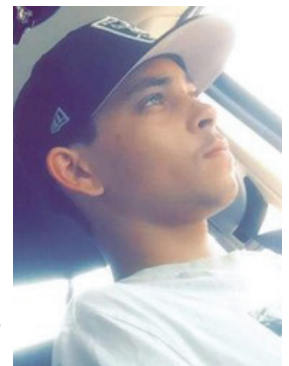
*Tyler Dustin "TY" King*

It is with great sadness that we announce the loss of "TY" Tyler Dustin King in his 30th year on July 29, 2020. Ty will be missed tremendously by his parents Connie King and Robert Henry who love him dearly. Loving Father to Macy, Tyleigh, Tayten and Tessa and Loving Babe to Nickie Hill. Uncle of "Teddy" Theodore. Special Bro to Dustin. Cherished Grandson of Jackie and Errol King. Loving Nephew of Crystal, Toolie (Maggie), Susie, and Les (Brandy). Predeceased by "Bro" Baby Brother Taylor, Uncle Brennan King and Grandmother Margaret Smith. Ty will also be sadly missed by many Great Aunts, Uncles, Cousins and Friends. A Memorial Gathering for Family and Friends to pay final respects was held on Friday, August 7, 2020 at 2862 Mississauga Road. [www.rhbanderson.com](http://www.rhbanderson.com).



*Hunter Timothy Tobicoe*

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of our beloved Hunter (Huncho, Bunter Boy, Hunter Man, H.T., T.) in his 18th year on Sunday, August 23, 2020. Hunter will be missed by his parents Norman (George) Tobicoe and Jeanette Cossaro. Cherished brother of Graham, Robbie (Amy), Kaitlyn (Dan), Briana-Jayde, and Jordan (Lois). Brother from another mother to Isaac, Andy, Benny, and Greg. Loving grandson of Brian Cossaro, and Rosaline and Edward Deshevy, and the late Alice and Burnace Tobicoe. Loving partner to Liyah. Loving uncle to many nieces and nephews. Hunter will also be missed by many aunties, uncles, cousins, and friends. Rested at Hyde & Mott Chapel of R.H.B. Anderson Funeral Homes Ltd., 60 Main St. S., Hagersville where a family service was held on Sunday, August 30, 2020 where graveside service was held at the homestead. [www.rhbanderson.com](http://www.rhbanderson.com)





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