

EAGLEPRESS NEWSLETTER

MCFN holds Lloyd S. King Elementary School Groundbreaking Ceremony



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), niigaabminunkiiwaad Anishinaabek (is how they always lived as Anishinaabek).

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

Eaglepress Newsletter

The Eaglepress newsletter is available for download at www.mncfn.ca. We encourage members to view the online version rather than subscribing to print to help us care for Mother Earth and save print and postage costs.

The Eaglepress will continue to evolve with new features and information. If you have suggestions or submissions for the newsletter, please contact: Gov.Comm@mncfn.ca



Artwork Acknowledgement

LSK Mural: Eaglepress Newsletter acknowledges artists: Philip Cote, Tracey Anthony, Rebecca Baird, for use of their artwork for our identifier, marketing and promotional materials.

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



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MESSAGE FROM GIMAA

GIMAA R. STACEY LAFORME

I want to thank everyone for doing their part to ensure our Nation is as safe as possible during these challenging times.

Many thanks to the COVID-19 Working Group, MCFN staff, and the Haldimand Norfolk Health Unit for helping make our Vaccine Clinics a success. At this point, 70% of our community have received at least their first dose.



Unfortunately, we have seen a rise of COVID-19 cases in our Community. We cannot stress enough how important it is to continue to follow public health guidelines and to do your part to stop the spread of COVID-19 in our community. It is important to note that this still applies to you even if you have received both doses of the Vaccine.

As you know, as of March 1st, 2022, the Province of Ontario has lifted most COVID-19 restrictions, other protective measures, such as mask/face covering requirements and screening of patrons remain in place. With restrictions easing I have had the opportunity in the last few weeks to meet with Cities and Towns in our Treaty Territory. I want to say milgwech the City of Mississauga for being the first major city in Canada to permanently raise the Every Child Matters Flag.

I also want to say miigwech to the Town of Oakville, who we have a number of exciting projects with, for proclaiming February 28th as Treaty Day. On Treaty Day in Oakville, Debwewin: The Oakville Truth Project website launched! Part of this project, the Oakville Community Foundation Community Classroom program has launched Gimaa's Allyship Poetry Contest for students. I shared a poem, titled "Nii jii" which means "friend" in Anishinaabemowin, and I invite students to share their own poetry on what allyship or friendship looks like or means to them. Students in Halton public schools and MCFN students from kindergarten through Grade 12 are invited to share. More information on this can be found on page 5.

Nii jii

I am not a cause I am not absolution Yes, there is a wrong to right A history to correct But I am not a thing of pity Nor am I a pillar of virtue I am a part of this world That makes us a part of each other Walk with me, take my hand See the world as I see the world Understand as I understand Let us learn from each other, of each other Laugh with me, cry with me Fight for me, fight with me Pray with me, pray for me Face this world with me Let us walk side by side Let us rejoice in the light Or be there when the dark claims me Whatever tomorrow may bring Let us walk together Let us face it side by side The first step is to know me Allies, friends? Perhaps My allies don't cheer from their stools They do not shake my hand and forget me Friends don't stand aside, when I stand up for what's right My allies do not view the color of my skin They must see past this to my heart Allyship is not an end, it is a beginning An understanding that must welcome all A voice for the future, for our people, for our children, for our planet We must raise consciousness and awaken others This is a journey, a challenge At its core it is about understanding, uniting, it is about love

Be Safe, Be Heard Miigwech, Gimaa R. Stacey Laforme

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

National IRS Crisis Line: 1-866-925-4419 IRSS Telephone Support Line: 1-800-721-0066 FN Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line: 1-855-242-3310 Native Youth Crisis Hotline: 1-877-209-1266 Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868, or text 686868

National Indian Residential School Crisis Line

1-866-925-4419





Indigenous Services

Services aux Autochtones Canada

MCFN CHIEF AND COUNCIL

Every Child Matters Flag Raised Permanently in Mississauga





The City of Mississauga is the first large municipality in Canada to permanently raise the Every Child Matters flag.

Mayor Bonnie Crombie along with Gimaa Laforme raised an Indigenous flag for the first time in Mississauga.

"We were proud to see the City of Mississauga taking this step to honour the Indigenous children who attended residential schools, and their families," said Chief Stacey Laforme, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. "I believe this moment in time is a moment in the life of this country that will determine how we move forward. And I hope we all move forward together. We must and never will forget."



MCFN CHIEF AND COUNCIL



Treaty Day in Oakville!

On February 28, 2022, the Town of Oakville honoured the 202nd anniversary of the signing of Treaty 22 at the Oakville Museum's Erchless Estate. Mayor Rob Burton read a proclamation and was joined by Gimaa Stacey Laforme and other special guests to mark the occasion.

On Treaty Day in Oakville the MCFN and the Oakville Community Foundation have launched a new website for Debwewin (Oakville): The Oakville Truth Project, a local truth and reconciliation process of healing relationships, sharing truths, listening to the knowledge that is being shared and doing our part to redress past harms.

VISIT: https://debwewinoakville.ca/



Oakville, Ont., March 2, 2022 - The Oakville Community Foundation's Community Classroom program has launched Gimaa's Allyship Poetry Contest for students.

Gimaa (Chief) R. Stacey Laforme of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) has shared a poem, titled "Nii jii" which means "friend" in Anishinaabemowin, and invites students to share their own poetry on what allyship or friendship looks like or means to them.

Students in Halton public schools and MCFN students from kindergarten through Grade 12 are invited to share and submit a poem, spoken word, rap or song through written or oral expression, with multiple winners to be chosen.

Students will be eligible to win*:

- the opportunity to perform their poem alongside Gimaa during an event on May 24th,
- their poem printed in the event program and
- have a recording of their poem shared as part of the Oakville Community Foundation's Community Classroom Online program

(*subject to parental consent)

To participate in the contest, teachers must register through the Community Classroom page with student participation left to the discretion of the teacher. Submissions are due in written or audio form on Thursday, April 24, 2022 through the online submission form.

"We are excited to facilitate this contest for students to share their experiences and feelings on allyship and friendship," said Frances Pace, Director of Fundholder and Community Engagement at the Oakville Community Foundation. "We look forward to seeing the creativity and expression shared through this initiative."

Community Classroom is a free, currently online program that offers all publicly funded Oakville schools and MCFN students the opportunity to participate in an arts, culture, heritage or environmental experience. Currently, these experiences include interactive videos and special live-streamed events.

Gimaa Laforme is the elected chief of MCFN, where he was born and raised, and has served his community for over 20 years, being first elected to council in 1999. He is very active throughout MCFN's treaty lands, which encompasses 3.9 million acres of land across southern Ontario, including Oakville which lies on Treaties 14 and 22.

Coinciding with the launch of the Debwewin (Oakville): The Oakville Truth Project website, the poetry contest and its focus on allyship and friendship can be a way of healing relationships, starting conversations and listening to the knowledge that is being shared. To begin the community learning journey, go to www.debwewinoakville.ca.



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MCFN MEMBER LOOKING TO BUY LAND

Valerie Whitlow

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LTURE AND HISTORY



Recognition Awards Committee Wants Your Input

We want to simplify the nominations forms, criteria, and process. All suggestions for change/improvement are welcome. Please send your comments to awards@mncfn.ca

The current form:

- "All members of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation can be nominated for an award.
- · Awards can also be made posthumously to family members.
- Current elected Council members are not eligible for nomination.

Community Volunteer Award

This award recognizes an individual who has shown outstanding generosity, resulting in service or support to MCFN through their time, actions, talents and dedication.

Eligibility Criteria

- · Has worked to increase the quality of life of our Community.
- · Provided significant and continuous service to the Community or Nation
- Volunteers in community committees, groups and/or projects and has contributed to their success.
- Shares knowledge in a way that promotes health and healing in the community.
- Respects the Earth's gifts and protects the environment for future generations.
- Demonstrates integrity, generosity of spirit and collaboration
- Is a role model for young people and inspires them to volunteer

I Nominate: Band Member: Yes

for the award of : Community Volunteer

Your Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email:

- List the reasons why you are nominating this person to be recognized, and the impact, they have made within our community or Nation. Provide as much detail as possible.
- It is acceptable to add an attachment if needed.
- Nominees do not have to meet every criteria listed but should meet most."

March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 OW Cheque P/U 1-4pm Water Collection	2 FIT 2-5pm Smoking Cessation Bingo 630-730 pm	3 Food Bank FIT 2-5pm	4 Last day to register for Disc Golfing Immunization Clinic Not COVID	5
6	7 Womens Group 6-9pm Kit P/U 2- 330pm Infant Massage	8 Craft Day Water Collection	9 FIT 2-5pm	10 Food Bank FIT 2-5pm	11 Immunization Clinic (Not Covid Clinic)	12
13	14 Womens group 6-9pm Kit P/U 2- 330pm Zoom Bingo 6:30pm Infant massage Bowling Pass & Mini Putt pass	15 Swimming @ Gretkzy Centre 7pm Water Collection Zoom Bingo For Kids 1pm	16 FIT 2-5pm Flying squirrel in Hamilton Time TBD Zen Garden Exercise Zoom Board game or book Time TBD	17 Food Bank FIT 2-5pm Outing TBD Movies Brantford Time TBD Cooking Zoom tacos in the bag 11:30 am	18 Meal prepared Corn husk Paint night Immunization Clinic (Not Covid Clinic) Snow Sculpture contest(outside playtoys) Hot Choc' & Cookies Virtual painting for kids 1pm	19
20	21 Womens group 6-9pm Kit P/U 2- 330pm Infant Massage	22 Water Collection	23 FIT 2-5pm	24 Food Bank FIT 2-5pm Cancer Screening Coach9-3pm	25	26
27	28 Womens group 6-9pm Kit P/U 2- 330pm Infant Massage	29 Social	30 FIT 2-5pm	31 Food Bank FIT 2-5pm		

COVID-19

Statement from the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation On COVID-19 March 2nd, 2021



At this time, we have 8 active cases in the Community, 0 are hospitalized. 148 total cases have been resolved, with 2 deaths. We are asking residents to please inform our Community Health Nurse Maggie Copeland if you have tested positive on a rapid test. Maggie can be reached at 905-516-7300 from 8 am – 8pm.

COVID-19 Precautions and Restrictions

As of March 1st, 2022, the Province of Ontario has lifted most COVID-19 restrictions, including:

- capacity limits lifted in all indoor public settings
- proof of vaccination requirements lifted
 - businesses and organizations may choose to require proof of vaccination upon entry

Other protective measures, such as mask/face covering requirements and screening of patrons remain in place.

Please note, all MCFN operations will continue with capacity limits in place until further notice. The MCFN gym will continue to be by appointment only, with a maximum of six people.

Return to in-person Programming

As of February 28th, 2022 MCFN offices have re-opened to the public with enhanced COVID-19 precautions in place. This included the official return to in-person programming for Lifelong Learning programs, including the EarlyON and Lloyd S. King Elementary School. Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre has been delayed due to a furnace matter, but we are hopeful that it will be able to resume operations very soon.

As outlined in our COVID-19 Policy, all offices will continue to require a two-staged screening upon entering a MCFN workplace, including a temperature check. Miigwech for your patience with our programming as we navigate through COVID-19. We look forward to seeing everyone again, as we safely and cautiously increase our services.

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



How to Self-Isolate

You must isolate yourself from others if you have COVID-19 symptoms, tested positive for COVID-19 or may have been exposed to COVID-19. If you start to feel worse, contact your health care provider or Telehealth (1-866-797-0000).

Stay home

- Do not go to work, school, child care, or other public places.
- Arrange to have your essential needs delivered (e.g. groceries, medications).
- Stay home unless you need to get tested or require emergency medical care.
- If you must be outside, keep a distance of at least two meters from others and wear a mask at all times.
- Do not use public transportation, taxis or rideshares.

Avoid contact with others

- No visitors unless essential (e.g., care providers).
- Stay away from seniors and people with chronic medical conditions (e.g., diabetes, lung problems, immune deficiency).
- As much as possible, stay in a separate room away from other people in your home and use a separate bathroom if you have one.
- Make sure that shared rooms have good ventilation/fresh air (e.g., open windows).

Keep your distance

- If you are in a room with other people, keep a distance of at least 2 metres and wear a mask.
- People should always wear a mask when they are in the same room as you.









Follow the advice that you have received from your health care provider.

If you have questions, or you start to feel worse, contact your health care provider, Telehealth (1-866-797-0000) or your public health unit.

Monitor for symptoms for at least 10 days after exposure



Avoid public spaces

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- Avoid crowded public spaces and places where you cannot easily separate yourself from others (a minimum of two metres) if you become ill.
- If you are unable to maintain a two metre distance, wear a non-medical mask or face covering to protect others from your potentially infectious droplets.

What to do if you develop these or any other symptoms

- Self-isolate immediately and contact your public health unit and your health care provider.
- To self-isolate you will need:
 - Instructions on how to self-isolate
 - Soap, water and/or alcohol-based hand sanitizer to clean your hands
- When you visit your health care provider, avoid using public transportation such as subways, taxis and shared rides. If unavoidable, wear a mask and keep a two metre distance from others or use the back seat if in a car.

Learn about the virus

To learn more and access up-to-date information on COVID-19, visit the Ontario Ministry of Health's website: ontario.ca/coronavirus.

The information in this document is current as of September 17, 2021

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COVID-19

COVID-19 Symptoms – When to seek Testing

Symptoms include any of the following: 'fever or chills 'cough 'shortness of breath

'decreased or loss of taste or smell

OR any two (2) or more of the following:

 runny nose or nasal congestion

- [,] headache
- extreme fatigue
- sore throat

[,] muscle aches or joint pain

gastrointestinal

symptoms (such as vomiting or diarrhea)



KNOW THE COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19

Please contact the following Public Health Offices and follow their instructions:

Haldimand Norfolk Public Health – 519-426-6170, ext. 9999 Six Nations COVID-19 Assessment Centre – 1-855-977-7737 or 226-446-9909 Brant County Public Health – 519-751-5818 or at covid.assessment@bchsys.org

Due to the increased demand with testing, there is a delay for testing and results. We do however, encourage you to self-identify as a First Nation person, in order to speed up the process. If you test positive on a Rapid Antigen Test, we encourage you to reach out to the above Public Health Units for a PCR test, and to follow up with MCFN Community Health Nurse for information on isolation requirements.



ADMINISTRATION

Employment Opportunities

Visit mncfn.ca/job-board for more information and up-to-date job postings with MCFN and other organizations!

Community Wellness Assistant

Closing Date: March 10 at 12:00 pm

Child Care Assistant (6)

Closing Date: March 10 at 12:00 pm

RECE - Lloyd S. King Elementary School

Closing Date: March 10 at 12:00 pm

Elementary Teacher-Floater - Lloyd S. King Elementary School

Closing Date: March 3 at 12:00 pm

LMR Intern

Closing Date: March 3 at 12:00 pm

RECE - Maawdoo Maajaamin Child Care

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Contract Teacher - Lloyd S. King Elementary School

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Consultation Coordinator Closing Date: Open Until Filled

School Mental Health Worker Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Music Instructor Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Casual Receptionist – Updated October 2021 Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Custodian Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Public Works – Casual Worker Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Supply Teacher Closing Date: Open Call

After School Program Assistant Closing Date: Open Call

Casual Registered Early Childhood Educator – Afterschool Program Closing Date: Open Call

IFELONG LEARNING

LSK EXPANSION GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY - FEBRUARY 24TH





The LSK Expansion will add additional classrooms and washrooms to the school, renovate the entrance for increased security, and provide an opportunity for the wholistic approach to lifelong learning, by including the Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre and our Indigenous-Led EarlyON Program under the same roof.

This project will help to eliminate overcrowding concerns, promote a healthy and safe learning environment, and allow for further development of a culturally relevant curriculum for students.

"Providing our youth with a quality education in a safe environment to help them achieve success has always been our highest priority" said Chief R. Stacey Laforme. "This Ceremony will mark the start of a very important moment for the future of education on our First Nation."

"Once the expansion project is finished, we are all immensely excited for the opportunity to serve the needs of more students in our learning environments modelled by the Seven Grandfather Teachings," said Dr. James Medway, Principal of LSK.

This project is being funded by MCFN, Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), and the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP.)

"Thank you to Chief R Stacey Laforme and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for your collaboration as your community breaks ground for the Lloyd S King Elementary School expansion project. We are pleased to partner with you on this important project to enhance your community's education and daycare infrastructure and provide students with a safe place to learn and grow." -The Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Indigenous Services.

The funds MCFN received were also used towards the design completion of Ekwaamjigenang Children's Centre, which will be moving locations to our Lloyd S King Elementary School.

"Having child care and elementary school together under one roof will help meet the needs of the First Nation, as this will be Hub for families to access a variety of services such as; speech therapists, nutritionists, behavior consultation, and more," said Chief Laforme.

The Prime Consultant of this project is +VG architects and the General Contractor is Niacon Construction. There is no anticipated disruption to in-school programming.

"We give many chi miigwech to prior Chief, Councillors and staff that dedicated their time towards this remarkable accomplishment," said Councillor Veronica-King Jamieson, Pillar 4: Education and Awareness Lead.

MCFN EARLYON

KEYON CREATING YOUR ACCOUNT



www.keyon.ca

Click on *Become a Member* to begin creating your account.

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How we use info

Your information is only used for planning purposes. Each adult requires their own account.



Pre-registeration

Once you have an account, you can pre-register for both virtual and in person programs at your favourite EarlyON centres.

Email Notifications

Confirm your email address to receive reminders of your pre-registrations or cancellations.

Quick Sign in

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When you show up in person at the EarlyON centre, simply scan your QR tag and quickly sign in you and your child.

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PROGRAMMING HAS

<u>**RESUMED!**</u> The EarlyON weekly calendar is posted on the MCFN EarlyON Facebook page.

Pre-Registration through the KeyON system is REQUIRED

Pre-registration using your KEyON account is required to attend MCFN EarlyON programs and services. Only those pre-registered will be permitted to attend.

Planning your in-person visit? Create your account and become a KEyON member today.

Login to your KEyON account and view our individual site calendar for information on the dates and locations our programs will be offered.

If you have questions about KEyON, or need assistance with registration, contact one of the following MCFN EarlyON staff members:

Katharine Brown, RECE, Coordinator 289-758-5599 or 365-323-4932

Shelby Riddell, RECE, Facilitator shelby.riddelll@mncfn.ca

Bridgette Ouwendyk, RECE, Facilitator bridgette.ouwendyk@mncfn.ca

Jolene Hill SSW, Community Navigator jolene.hill@mncfn.ca

Kelly Henry (Cultural Facilitator) kelly.henry@mncfn.ca

LANDS, MEMBERSHIP, RESEARCH

COMMUNITY WELLNESS 2021-2022 ***2nd DISTRIBUTION***

MCFN Council has approved a 2nd Distribution for the 2021-2022 Community Wellness allocation for \$1,500.00.

THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN PROCEDURE WILL ONLY APPLY TO THE 2021-2022 COMMUNITY WELLNESS PROCESS DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

The 2021-2022 Community Wellness – 2nd Distribution applications will be available starting October 27, 2021. Applications will be available via the mncfn.ca website or call the LMR office and we will mail or email you an application. Contact information on the next page.

Application Forms and 2 Pieces of Identification (see below)

• Will be accepted starting November 1, 2021 via mail, email or drop off via our mail slot at the Lands, Membership & Research office at 6 First Line.

• This 2nd distribution is different from the initial Community Wellness payment of \$2000, therefore Members must use the new 2nd Distribution application form for \$1500. Applications will not be accepted if other forms are used.

• Direct deposit (CANADIAN ACCOUNTS ONLY) is the preferred method of payment, your name must appear on your void cheque or direct deposit form NO EXCEPTIONS. If your name is NOT on your void cheque or direct deposit form, a cheque will be mailed to you. Not applicable if there are no changes to your banking information.

• If you have requested a cheque, it will be mailed to you. Please ensure your address is up to date and complete.

- You do not need to submit a quote, receipt or estimate this year only!
- All payments will start after November 15, 2021

Acceptable Valid ID (MUST BE PROVIDED A COPY OF THE FRONT & BACK OF ID)

- Birth certificate
- Status card
- Health card
- Driver's license
- Employee / Student ID, with digitized photo
- Firearms license
- Passport or Nexus card

Contact information:

Phone: 1-905-768-0100

Email: cw@mncfn.ca

Mailing Address: Lands, Membership & Research 2789 Mississauga Rd Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0

If you have any questions please call the LMR office Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 PM.

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COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM-ADULT 2021-2022 - 2nd DISTRIBUTION

Mailing Address: LMR/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., R.R. #6 Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0 Fmail: cw@mncfn.ca

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FULL NAME (as it appears on your Status Card):	REGISTRY NUMBER (10 DIGIT):
FULL MAILING ADDRESS (including Postal/Zip Code):	BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD):
EMAIL ADDRESS (required if getting Direct Deposit):	TELEPHONE NUMBER (including area code):
PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:	All applications must include front and back photocopies of 2 pieces of ID, 1 being
Direct Deposit (Canada only)* *Include a void cheque or direct deposit form* On File New Account	photo ID. Please ensure that all information on each ID is clearly visible.

I hereby authorize the use of my address/email for various MCFN initiatives (such as. Voter's List, MCFN Community Trust, Eagle Press Newsletter, Governance Community Engagement, Internal Department's use). Under no circumstances will MCFN share your personal information with outside agencies. (BAND MEMBERS PLEASE INITIAL HERE)

		Total Receipts:			
X					
Signature	Date	Amount:	\$	<mark>1,500.00</mark>	

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Documents provided for identity:

Department's Initials_____

____Status Card ___Confirmation of Status ___D.L. ___H.C. ___B.C. ___Other ID (______)

Amount Claimed:		Remaining Balance:		

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Account Number:	64300		
Dept. Number:	100030		
Cheque Number:			
Cheque Date:			

Department Signature: _____

Date Received _____

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COMMUNITY WELLNESS EXPENSE CLAIM FORM-CHILDREN (Newborn-17 Years) 2021-2022 2nd DISTRIBUTION

Mailing Address: LMR/Community Wellness 2789 Mississauga Rd., R.R. #6 Hagersville, ON NOA 1H0 Email: cw@mncfn.ca

	enneni.ea
CHILD'S FULL NAME (as it appears on Status Card):	CHILD'S REGISTRY NUMBER (10 Digit):
NAME OF LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN: (proof of legal custody)	LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN'S REGISTRY NUMBER:
COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS:	CHILD'S BIRTHDATE (YYYY-MM-DD):
PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL ADDRESS (Required for Direct Deposit):	TELEPHONE NUMBER (including area code):
PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING:	All applications must include front and
Cheque Mail Out	back photocopies of 1 piece of minor ID
Direct Deposit (Canada Only)* *Include a void cheque or direct deposit form*	and 1 piece of parent/guardian photo ID.
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	Total Recei	ipts:		
X				
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	Amount:	\$	<mark>1,500.00</mark>

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Documents provided for identity of child and parent/guardian: Department's Initials____

__Status Card __Confirmation of Status ___Proof of Legal Custody __D.L. __H.C. __B.C. __Other I.D. (___)

Amount Claimed:		Remaining Balance:		

Account Number:	64300
Dept. Number:	100030
Cheque Number:	
Cheque Date:	

Department Signature: _____

Date Received _____



Community Wellness Due Dates

Community Wellness runs on the fiscal year April 1st - March 31st of the following year. With an additional 30-day (Month of April) grace period to apply for the previous Community Wellness distribution.

Example:

Community Wellness will start new again April 1, 2022 and will run until March 31, 2023 (with the 30-day grace period). Meaning you can apply for Community Wellness anytime within that fiscal year.

If you do not apply within that fiscal year, the Community Wellness fiscal year distribution is no longer available to you.

If you have any questions please call Lands, Membership & Research at 905-768-0100 or email cw@mncfn.ca



Lands, Membership & Research Department

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm Closed daily for lunch from 12noon to 1:00pm

Certificate of Indian Status (CIS) Cards - Only issued Thursdays and Fridays by appointment only. Please call to book an appointment.

Contact information:

Phone number: 905-768-0100 Fax Number: 905-768-7311

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Community Wellness

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LANDS, MEMBERSHIP & RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

LANDS, MEMBERSHIP AND RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS CARDS (CIS)

- Status cards are issued by appointment only, every Thursday and Friday.
- We will issue status cards to members of other First Nations for an additional fee and with permission from their First Nation.
- Adults 16 years and older must provide 2 pieces of ID with one being a photo ID.
- Minors 15 years old and younger must have 1 piece of their own ID and 1 piece of parent/guardian photo ID.
- <u>NOTE</u>: Expired ID will not be accepted, with the exception of expired status cards on the condition the expiry date is no more than 6 months. We **DO NOT** accept photocopies of ID.
- <u>Acceptable ID</u>: birth certificate, health card, drivers licence, provincial photo ID card, Employee ID (with digitized photo), Student ID (with digitized photo), status card (cannot be expired for more than 6 months), firearms licence, Passport/Nexus card (counts as two pieces of ID)

<u>CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN STATUS (CIS) vs SECURE CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN</u> <u>STATUS CARDS (SCIS)</u>

- CIS cards are only issued by the First Nation (Beige with red strip)
- SCIS cards are only issued by Indigenous Services Canada (hard plastic, white card)

Must follow COVID protocols: masking, hand sanitizing and screening questions.

If you have any questions or to book an appointment please call the Lands, Membership & Research Department at 905-768-0100.



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Many children are waiting for that change. The one to bring a smile to their face, or to help support them on their life journey, or simply knowing someone is there for them. **Be their change.**

Contact Brant Family and Children's Services today to become their change.

1-888-753-8681 | Brantfacs.ca





At Brant Family and Children's Services (also known as Brant FACS, CAS, or the Children's Aid Society), we support families to ensure that children are protected from physical, emotional or sexual abuse, and neglect. Our team of caring workers, foster families and volunteers work toward one primary goal: enhance the safety and well-being and support the healthy growth and development of children.

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We partner with other agencies in the Brantford/Brant and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations Community to strengthen support networks and deliver programs that help families in need.

What is a Foster Family?

When a child needs to be brought to a place of safety, the goal is for the child to return to their family. Foster families provide a temporary home for children while in the care of Brant FACS. If the child is unable to return to their family, foster parents provide support while the agency searches for a permanent home for the children. Depending on the circumstances, children and teens may need foster care for a few days, a few weeks, a few months or longer.

Each foster child is unique

Children in care range in age from newborn to young adulthood. They come from a variety of racial and ethnic backgrounds. Some are brothers and sisters hoping to be placed in a home together. Some face physical, emotional and/or mental challenges.

Each is going through a troubled period in their family life. All need warmth, acceptance, structure and consistency.

Brant FACS ensures that children and youth are placed in foster homes where their unique needs can be met.

Foster Parents are:

Caring individuals, couples and families who can give infants, children and youth stability, warmth, understanding, consistency and structure.

- Families who want to reach out to children and youth in need from their community, or from their extended family.
- · Families who can meet the special needs of children and youth.
- Families who will enjoy the challenges and rewards of foster family care.
- Families who are willing to work with FACS and the child's family with the goal of the child returning home or to another permanent home.

Becoming a Foster Parent

If you are interested in becoming a foster parent or want to know more about fostering, please call 519-753-8681 or toll free 1-888-753-8681 and ask to speak with our Resources staff.



Visit the Mobile Cancer Screening Coach

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MARCH 2022

TUBERCULOSIS in First Nations in Canada



Tuberculosis (TB) is an infectious disease caused by bacteria. **It is preventable and curable.** This infection mainly affects the lungs, but can occur in multiple organs. Active TB disease is a serious infection that can be spread to others by coughing or sneezing.

Reported rate of active TB in First Nations



the reported rate of active TB is over **40X HIGHER** among First Nations living on reserve than non-Indigenous Canadian-born people (*Public Health Agency of Canada, 2017*)

Factors that increase the chance of developing active TB

latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI)



 someone with LTBI does not have symptoms and is not contagious

treating LTBI prevents the development of active TB



close contact with people living with untreated active TB



overcrowded, poorly ventilated homes

 37% of First Nations living on reserve reported living in crowded households, compared to 8% of the non-Indigenous population of Canada (Statistics Canada, 2016)

poor nutrition

having other illnesses, such as diabetes or HIV

smoking

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Together, we can limit the spread of TB in First Nations through education and action on the determinants that influence the spread of TB. - Assembly of First Nations





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