

# Missanabie Cree First Nation

**Great Moon (Hope of  
Spring)**

**Ki sha Peesim**

## Bear Fax

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Happy  
Family  
Day



### CHIEF OF MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION

Jason Gauthier, BA (Hons)

Watchey,

Meegwetch

A brief note to remind everyone that we are still waiting to hear the judgement by the appeals court on our outstanding Treaty Land entitlement litigation. This is taking more time than expected. This may trigger negotiations with the provincial government.

We continue to renegotiate an agreement with Alamos Gold. It will be significantly better than our last agreement. We have completed the majority of meetings with our community on our special projects and business development.

I must remind our community, that through the policies, it has been clear that our Chief and Council was asked not to post anything on Facebook, we have a social media policy that states this.

I know that some of our

community members prefer to post messages and statements on Facebook, but a majority of council has agreed that this is an unprofessional and inappropriate way to address our membership.

We have a Chief and Council meetings frequently, and if there are questions you can email them to me or one of council to address. We also report in the newsletter. I again thank you for your support.

### MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION COUNCILOR

Les Nolan (Red Bear)

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HAPPY NEW YEAR All.

I'm hoping this year runs a little more agreeable than the last few years.

The Chief and Council have had several past projects and joint ventures that we are trying to move forward positively.

With that being said, I'm confident that I will continue to do my utmost for the betterment, prosperity, and independent First Nation.

I have been working diligently with Kunuwonamano, Family Services, and occasionally when I'm needed to assist other councilors with their portfolios.

As stated, many times I am available if needed.

As always, in the spirit of community and its regeneration.

### BAND ADMINISTRATOR

Shereena Campbell

Greetings,

We have been very busy getting the new office set up. Things are coming along well.

All equipment that was on backorder for the phones have arrived and the lines should be functioning soon. Staff continue to check their voicemail throughout the work day in order to keep communication flowing. Thank you to all the community members for bearing with us during this time.

We look forward to seeing the Sault Ste. Marie members at our grand opening of Feb 21, 2024. Please look at page (7) for the invitation.

As we are entering fiscal year end, staff are working on reporting requirements, and drafting proposals for new funding.

As many community members have begun asking what will happen with the former office, I am pleased to state that we are looking forward to bringing back the circle of creative arts!

We know there are many members interested in being a part of this and we look forward

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to including them in the concepts and planning process. If you are interested in participating in the planning and conceptual vision , please send me an email with your name and contact information. Send to [scampbell@missanabiecree.com](mailto:scampbell@missanabiecree.com) with the subject line COCA.

We will be submitting proposals for arts grants and there will be employment opportunities included in the proposal.

I look forward to hearing from you!

### **BAND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

**Amber Lacrosse**

Happy New Year!

We are moved into the new band office at 602 Queen and have been busy unpacking, setting up our spaces and taking stock of necessary items while our communications services were being connected. A larger office was a goal discussed at a Strategic Planning Session in October 2022 which we can now happily check off. The additional office spaces, storage, and larger reception, boardroom and kitchen are certainly an improvement as we had outgrown the previous office. In my time with Missanabie Cree First Nation, the band office staff has doubled in size, and as I write this mid January, we continue to look for a Housing Manager, Nurse and an Elder care Worker.

### **POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION OFFICER/ CULTURAL FACILITATOR**

**Gloria Harris**

Waychie Misiwi - Hello Everybody

January is the Great Scattering Moon; February is the Great Moon, the time when bear cubs are born. March is the Eagle Moon.

We celebrated the Winter Solstice with a sunrise ceremony, variety of crats, wonderful foods, drumming, singing, sharing circles and teachings. There is a saying you learn something new every day and at the bundle teaching, we were shown a new (old) instrument. While there were drums and shakers, participants could choose 2 birch sticks and when tapped in unison they resembled rain. It was magical and so beautiful. The day's events were topped off with a round dance! No words to describe the beauty witnessed and joy felt. Family Services and other staff who played a role deserve a huge round of applause for the tremendous efforts put in to bring this to our community. We welcomed members for the first time, and they could be seen participating in all events, including drumming. We had a "Letting Go" teaching and those who participated later put their papers in the Sacred Fire, led by Mishomis Clifford. Staff member, Japhet had taken pictures so stay tuned for viewing.

Moving to the new office across the street has been daunting to get back to full operational stage. By

the time this is read, most will be back on stream.

For anyone considering applying for education funds, now is the time to have your letters sent to the school of your choice. All the information and directions you need to apply are on the website:

[www.missanabiecreefn.com](http://www.missanabiecreefn.com) in the Education section. As stated previously, all documents required must be submitted to be considered for review. Funding is not guaranteed. **Deadline to have NEW applications in: MAY 15, 2024.**

For all returning students must submit the application pages of Student Information, Student Agreement and Release of Information. This is required to maintain your funding for September start date. **The deadline to have these documents resubmitted is MAY 15, 2024.**

Matthew Wesley has been designated to assist in Cultural Programming. I am looking forward to this collaboration. We began with a list of 32 topics and will be putting the items into categories and work from there on.

I am also in the talking stages with Japhet on Literacy and Computer Programming for our members.

I welcome 2024 and look forward with optimism for a harmonious and productive year in the education and culture department.

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from the office of your mineral development advisor. Both November and December were extremely busy times as it was the end of the fiscal year, which prompted a flurry of activity from various organizations and government departments. For context, I have been immersed with a variety of permit reviews related to both operational mines, as both mines are amidst expansion efforts, and the supporting technical documentation is abundant. Along with office work, I have been on site at both mines to perform routine environmental monitoring, where I am able to review the processes for mine expansion firsthand, as well as conduct inspections on environmentally sensitive projects. The environmental monitoring visits allow me to photo document changes related to the expansion efforts, as well as strengthen relationships with various departments at the mines. Being present on site allows me to examine whether conditions implemented through our First Nation comments are being met. Both mines and all the exploration companies have been excellent in their approach to Indigenous consultation and their execution of adhering to conditional imposed through the consultative process.

Other important business included my attendance at this year's RUSH conference where I was asked to provide a

presentation on my work as the mineral development advisor. My presentation was a focused message to all joint venture businesses which highlighted the importance of cultural competency training and the need for all businesses to improve their recognition of indigenous peoples, including their knowledge on indigenous practices, and our relationship to the land. Specific topics included how I was able to assist with a member that operates a trap line within the mines land tenure, as well as promote Manitou Mountain as a culturally significant site for all First Nations in the region.

Another project that has kept me on my toes is the 3<sup>rd</sup> party cumulative impact assessment, which is currently underway and being conducted by the Fire Light Group. The Firelight Group is the largest indigenous-owned consulting firm in Canada and has been assisting First Nations with services tailored to providing support for the protection of indigenous values and the rights and interest of indigenous communities. The results are used to demonstrate how industry is affecting the land use and rights of indigenous peoples. The project's objective is to help us understand the cumulative impacts of mining activity in our area and how it is affecting our community, especially for those members that are currently living in proximity to the mining activity. I encourage you to visit the Firelight Group Website as their work has been very helpful for many

communities that were struggling with industrial encroachment.  
 [www.firelight.ca](http://www.firelight.ca)

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> part study is called a socio-ecological cumulative impact assessment and will require some community participation by way of an interview process. Specific members that have documented values within the study area will be contacted for the opportunity to discuss their land use practices and provide other valuable input.

In closing, I would like to remind our community that I am always available to answer questions and will surely respond in a timely manner. The copious amount of information related to mining cannot be solely communicated by Bearfax or MCFN social media, and so I encourage you to reach out. With that being said, I will be hosting my 4<sup>th</sup> community outreach event on Tuesday February 13, 5:30pm-8:30pm. This community event is being held at the Marconi Club in Sault Ste Marie, with limited availability for those who plan on attending in person, but all members will also be able to attend virtually. More promotion of this event, including links and instructions will be available at all the hubs and through all MCFN social media channels.

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### MCBC MANAGER

**Joe Tom Sayers BA (Hons) MPA**

Emergency Management - Chief Gauthier, Norm Jaehrling and I met with Ontario Emergency management and ISC during the Christmas Holiday to discuss a multi lateral agreement between the three parties regarding Emergency Management. We are in the process of drafting a Memorandum of Understanding and will be meeting again to review with both levels of government.

Evacuation Shelter - the accommodation units are in the process of being shipped to Missanabie Reserve. All of the other units that comprise the administration offices, kitchen and dining, recreational facilities etc. have been delivered. We have designed a custom built lobby for receiving evacuees and have engaged members from the Mushkegowuk communities for their input.

ISNM - Kashechewan First Nation has signed off on a Service agreement with ISNMaskwa to provide all evacuation supports to their

members. We are also deploying teams to Moose Cree this week and continue to support Pic Mobert. The Winnipeg Landfill search research project has been completed and delivered to the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs and the Longplain First Nation. They have shared our report to Premier Kinew and the Minister of Crown/Indigenous Relations. A meeting with the parties is being scheduled for early February. The eventual project may take up to two years and is priced in at up to 100million.

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### MCBC EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

**Brittany Maclean**

Greetings MCFN Community!

We are getting back into the swing of things after the Christmas break. To start the new year off, we are asking members to participate in a text messaging pilot program. Please see the image below if you would like to participate.

We continue to work towards the last items in our newest audit. The new audit will be presented to board members once finalized. We plan to meet with the board in early February.

February 7<sup>th</sup> will be my 5-year anniversary of working with Missanabie Cree Business Corporation. I have met so many amazing people through my journey here. I look forward to continuing to support the business from an administrative perspective.

### MCBC BOOKEEPER

**Tanya Maitland**

Good Day Missanabie Members!

I hope everyone had a great holiday season with family & friends!

Since returning from the Christmas Break, Before the break I was working with Brittany on stuff for the audit and we are now working on completing the last few things needed. It has definitely been a learning experience for me as this was my first ever audit, I was part of and I have learned many things and now have a few things in place to help the next audit run a little smoother.

I have been with MCBC now for just over 7 months and have been a part of some great things like the Annual Gathering & RUSH I have met many great people in my short time here and look forward to meeting many more of you throughout my time here.

### COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGREEMENT COORDINATOR

**Hannah Caicco**

Hello Missanabie Members, and happy new year!

This month we have been getting back to business and working on some new projects. I have been keeping up with the mine sites creating follow-up

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CBA reports and keeping up-to-date on all future opportunities. This allows us to discuss employment opportunities, upcoming RFPs, community events, and joint venture partnerships.

I have also been working with different joint venture partners to help them find opportunities and ways to support the community. I also had the opportunity to meet with the board members before the Christmas break and touch base on what is to come in 2024.

Finally, I have been working closely with the team on wellness activities and community engagement projects and collaborating with our partners to increase opportunities!

Kind Regards



**You Are Invited To**

# GRAND OPENING

**OF THE**

**MISSANABIE CREE  
FIRST NATION  
BAND OFFICE**

SNACKS, HOR D'OEUVRES AND TOUR OF OUR NEW OFFICE AND ITS FACILITIES  
WOULD BE PROVIDED. WE WILL ALSO HAVE INFORMATION TABLES AVAILABLE

Time  
10:30 AM - 03:30 PM | 21 February 2024

Location  
602 QUEEN STREET EAST, SAULT STE MARIE,  
ONTARIO. P6A-2A4

# HUBS CORNER

## THUNDER BAY HUB

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Our Christmas Potluck was a huge success. The food was delicious and the fun with the children was wonderful. Thanks to all who participated. We had a lot of prizes for everyone.

**January 9 to 11-24** I will be purchasing the Healthy Snack Gift Cards for our Children, Youth and Elder's. Cards not picked up will be mailed. Office address is listed below.

**January 16, 23, 30-24.** Cree Class will be starting up again. You are invited to join us for these classes. They are from 7:00 to 8:30. Refreshments will be served.

**January 16-24** is the Elder's Tea. 1:00 to 3:30 pm. Come join us for food, fun and conversation. Refreshments will be served. There will be a door prize.

**January 17-24 ONWA.** The Sacred Tree. Bobbi Fletcher and team will be facilitating this workshop. MCFN members are invited to attend this workshop. It will be at the Hub Office aka the John E. Fletcher Centre. This workshop is from 1 to 2:30 pm.

Refreshments will be served.

**January 24, 31-24 ONWA.** Co-Dependency Workshop. Bobbi Fletcher and team will be facilitating this workshop. MCFN members are encouraged to attend. It is from 1 to 2:30 pm. This will also be at the Hub Office. Refreshments will be served.

**January 24** is the Youth Drop In. 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Come on out for food, fun and games. Meet other youth. Refreshments will be served. There will also be a door prize.

**January 29 Drum Group** 7 to 8:30 pm. Bring your Drum and come and join us for songs, and camaraderie. Refreshments will be served. There will be a door prize.

**I am not sure when I will be doing the Hub event for this month. It would probably be January 20<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for the posters on the Thunder Bay Hub Webpage. I am hoping to have a family bowling afternoon and an evening of skiing/snowboarding/tubing. Of course, refreshments will be served.**

If there are any new members in the Thunder Bay area, please let me know. Please make sure to let me know of any address changes so I can update both the main office and my list. This may include young adults who may not be status but still live either at home or on their own.

I can be reached at: [thunderbay@missanabiecree.com](mailto:thunderbay@missanabiecree.com) or by Telephone: (807) 623-8330. Our address is: 906 E. Victoria Avenue, Thunder Bay. P7C 1B4.

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## WAWA HUB/ OUTREACH COORDINATOR

BRAD NOLAN

Wâciye Missanabie Cree family, I'd like to wish you all a very happy new year! I hope that everyone had a safe and happy holiday, spending valuable quality time with your families and friends. Wawa Hub had a family Holiday dinner and gift exchange where we had 56 in attendance. It was and is always nice to come together... especially seeing and having the kids be with all their cousins. New this year I have been putting together a crafting program for our Wawa Hub location, which I'm thinking will run in the evenings on a bi-weekly basis. This will enable us more availability and time together, as our kids are in school and



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many caregivers working thus having less time to engage during our regular business hours. Some of the registered crafting schedule will consist of drum making, feather holders, rattle making, paint nights, dream catchers, leather crafting, beading, as well as non registered open craft nights. I'm super excited to learn new crafts, to upping and practicing our crafting skills and spending quality time together. As of now I am still developing the yearly plan and scheduling, but am looking to schedule for every other Tuesday from 6-8 pm, full details and schedule will be available once I complete plan/schedule. I am hoping to have all materials purchased and on site by the end of Feb in hopes to commence our first class in March.

I look forward to a new year of programming and to many fun get togethers'

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## TORONTO HUB

**VANESSA MAHAN**

Hi there Everyone,

What a fantastic year it has been. Thank you to everyone who has put forth their interests in participating in the local events to sharing online. We had great turnouts for our hub programming. Here is a quick look at what we've done.

Family Day- Movie Night at Cineplex, Casa Loma w/ the Dinosaurs, Easter Baskets ,coordinating with the Sault and going to OLI at Meridian Hall, Hoop Dancing with Council Fire, Mothers Day, Spa Day, Toronto Zoo, Blue Jays, Every Child Matters Pow Wow, Royal Winter Fair and last but not least our annual Christmas dinner. And that's not all, from collaborating with MCBC to host events in the hub.

I have to say that we have come along way over the years from only being able to see each other at the annual gatherings to now being able to see one another at the monthly programming events.

I look forward to next year and what it brings to the Toronto Hub. If you have any comments or ideas please feel free to share them.

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## SUDBURY HUB

**NATASHA BERGERON**

I want to start by introducing myself. I am Natasha Bergeron, the new Sudbury Hub Worker. I am excited to be in this role to assist our community. I will jump right in and explain the things I have accomplished in December when I started my role as Sudbury Hub Worker. We had our Christmas party on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, for the Sudbury members, and the turnout was amazing. I had arts and crafts tables set up for the children. I also had game tables set up like The Marshmallow Game and The Cup Game. I set up my projector and screen and had Christmas movies playing. I picked names from a bowl and few of our band

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members were picked for some prizes. It was an impressive experience to see our members come together and celebrate the holidays together.

I attended the winter solstice on December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, and we made mini decorative drums and medicine pouches with Matthew Wesley. We had bundle bags with family services. We had Wahkotowin do a bundle bag teaching. We had Shirley Horn and Jackie Fletcher come and talking about Shingwauk (residential school) We had a teepee set up in the back of the Delta and stories were shared from all ages. In the evening of the winter solstice, we had our hand drum social, and feast followed by the giveaway. It was a great time seeing all our members and guests dance together in the round dance.

Thank you to the family services team for everything you do to reunite our members more than once a year. In January, the Sudbury Hub is heading to Science North with our families and were going to be learning and having fun while doing it. It is always good to have fun while learning! I have a Valentines Day lunch planned for our elders on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

I also have plans for our families to go to Wagon Wheel Ranch on a 1.5-hour sleigh ride. We will be traveling to a firepit in the bush to share marshmallows and hot dogs around the fire. I will have pictures and a write up in the next Bear Fax.

To learn more about what we do in our hub you can join our Facebook page Missanabie Cree Sudbury Hub.

In conclusion, I look forward to serving our community members and being able to assist our families with the resources in the community of Sudbury and Missanabie Cree

I can be reached via email at [sudbury@missanabiecree.com](mailto:sudbury@missanabiecree.com)

Thank you. Miigwech



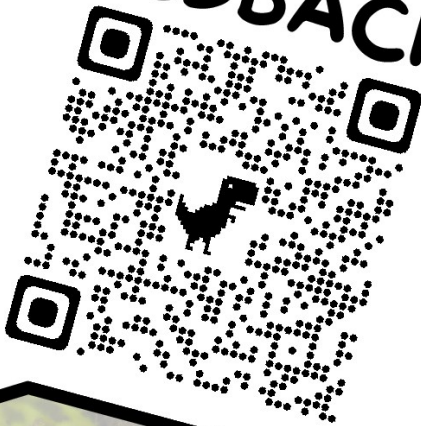


# Community Biomass Energy Opportunities Survey

MISSANABIE CREE FIRST NATION

Missanabie is requesting your involvement in a survey to gather feedback on the economic development direction for the Community. To complete the survey please [click this link](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TJ766LB), go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TJ766LB>, or scan the QR code!

**WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK!**



Completing the survey will enter you in a draw for a chance to win a 64 GB, 10th Generation iPad!

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!**



STUDENT INFORMATION FOOD CARD PROGRAM

Student Information			
DATE			
NAME			
Phone			
Email			
School Information			
Name of School			
Start & End Date			
Attached Proof			

Examples: Recent Transcript OR Verification Letter from school on their letterhead

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email completed form with attached proof to: [education@missanabiecree.com](mailto:education@missanabiecree.com)

Student Healthy Snacks Card

Eligibility: Any member who is enrolled in education programs such as

- Post-Secondary (college, university)
- Adult Education (over 18)

Trades/Educational Training (Full-Time students)

Students are required to register to receive a healthy snack card with the Education Officer. Please complete the document available on the Education Page of [www.missanabiecreefn.com](http://www.missanabiecreefn.com) website and submit to [education@missanabiecree.com](mailto:education@missanabiecree.com)

Members under the Employment and Training Program are eligible to receive this benefit for the duration of the training program.

Proof of enrollment in the program is required from the school and/or training facility.

If a student quits or the program ends the student must inform the Education officer of this change.

Student Healthy Snack Cards are provided in the amount of \$100.00 per month

All Student Healthy Snack cards will be mailed out according to the information provided upon registration. If a student moves, they must advise the Education Officer immediately a minimum of **15 days** prior to the move date.

**The office will not replace cards if a move has occurred and we have not been informed.**

**Lost or misplaced cards will not be replaced.**

The Student Healthy Snack card is managed by the Education Officer.



# Self-Care To-Do List

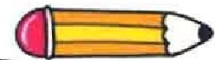
Taking care of yourself is the kindest thing you can do



Read a book.  
(I suggest Anne of Green Gables)



Reconnect with someone you **ADORE**.



Journal or write about your feelings

## Rest

- Nap
- sleep early
- Take a break



Get creative.  
paint, draw,  
use your talent.

Do something that physically makes you feel good.

- ♥ Ask yourself:
- ♥ What do I need?

pet or cuddle a furry thing

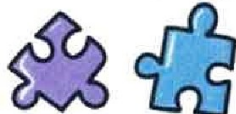


Get outside.  
Soak in sun, rain, & wind



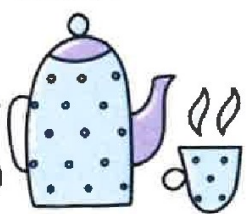
Drink your water!!!

Get back into your hobbies!  
(puzzles are SO relaxing!)



plan a movie night or binge watch something on netflix

Have a cup of tea or cocoa.  
(bonus points if it's with a book!)



There's tons more on [BlessingManifesting.com](http://BlessingManifesting.com)

## **Suicidal Thoughts/Ideation**

### **Signs and Symptoms**

- Feelings of hopelessness
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- Feeling extreme emotional pain
- 
- Feeling severe remorse
- 
- Feelings of shame and/or guilt
- 
- Mental health declines i.e. depression, increased panic attacks, unable to concentrate
- 
- Loss of joy/happiness with life
- 
- Mood swings
- 
- Isolates self from family, friends, community
- 
- Engages in risky behaviour, increased substance use, careless driving
- 
- Preoccupied with violence, dying and death
- 
- Changes in personality, routine(s), sleeping patterns
- 
- Talking about getting revenge
- 
- Talking about being a burden to others
- 
- Giving away belongings
- 
- Saying bye as though it will be the last time

## How you can help

For detailed guidelines on how to identify and help someone who is suicidal, see “Suicidal Thoughts and Behaviours: First Aid Guidelines” (link below at Mental Health First Aid).

- Know the signs and signals.
- If you have concerns, ask if they are thinking about suicide (see Note below). *It's a myth that talking about suicide will "give someone ideas." It won't. If anything, it will show them* they are not alone, **that you care** and you want to know how to help.
- Always listen carefully. *Take concerns seriously.* Let them do most of the talking.
- **Don't pass judgment.**
- Avoid simplistic advice like “Cheer up.” Instead, let them know they're important and you want them to live. Tell them directly: “You are really important to me and I don't want you to die.”
- **Let them know you are there for them.** They are most likely feeling alone, alienated and unwanted.
- **Ask how you can help.** Trust is very important so only promise things you can actually do — but make sure they know you will help them to get help.
- *You can't do it all, but you can help your friend or relative get the help they need.* If you are a young person yourself, tell a trusted adult about your concerns as soon as possible, even if you must break a promise of secrecy.
- **Call a crisis line yourself** to discuss options for your friend or relative.

Note: If someone considering suicide already has *a suicide plan and the means to carry it out*, **don't leave them alone.** Treat the situation as an emergency (see Finding Help below). Call a crisis line. Stay with them until crisis workers or other emergency workers are there to help.

## Finding help

If you, or someone you know, are in crisis and considering suicide, don't wait. Call someone who can help.

### CONTACT US

**Phone:** [1-844-NAN-HOPE](tel:1-844-NAN-HOPE)

**Text:** [1-844-626-4673](tel:1-844-626-4673)

**Email:** [info@nanhope.ca](mailto:info@nanhope.ca)

**Fax:** [1-226-314-1218](tel:1-226-314-1218)

## Contact a helpline

### ConnexOntario

1-866-531-2600

<https://www.connexontario.ca/>

Free and confidential health services information for people experiencing problems with alcohol and drugs, mental illness or gambling.

### Kids Help Phone

1-800-668-6868

<http://www.kidshelpphone.ca>

Free, anonymous and confidential professional phone counselling and online counselling, available 24/7 for kids and youth 20 years of age and younger.

### Ontario Distress Centres

<http://www.dcontario.org/centres.html>

Free, confidential support and information. Visit the website for a phone contact in your area. Hours of operation vary, but most answer calls around the clock.

## Go to your nearest hospital emergency department

### Call 911

If this is not a crisis, you can find services close to home by searching the **Ontario Health Care Options** directory.

## More information

### Aboriginal resources

#### Honouring Life Network – Aboriginal Youth Suicide Prevention Resources

<http://www.honouringlife.ca>

A website produced by the National Aboriginal Health Organization (NAHO) to provide “culturally relevant information and resources on suicide prevention to help Aboriginal youth and youth workers dealing with a problem that has reached crisis proportions in some First Nations, Inuit and Metis communities in Canada.”

#### Za-geh-do-win Information Clearinghouse

<http://www.za-geh-do-win.com>

Za-geh-do-win Information Clearinghouse “researches, collects, catalogues, and distributes culturally relevant resources” for aboriginal communities across Ontario. Includes *The Key – Aboriginal Mental Health Services/Support Directory* for resources and services. The website focuses on issues of health, healing and family violence.



**LGBTQ Youth Line**

<http://www.youthline.ca/>

A toll-free Ontario-wide peer-support phone line for LGBTQ young people.

**The Trevor Project (US)**

<http://www.thetrevorproject.org>

A national U.S.-based site committed to crisis intervention and suicide prevention for LGBTQ youth.

**General resources****Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention**

<http://suicideprevention.ca>

**Ontario Suicide Prevention Network**

<http://www.ontariosuicidepreventionnetwork.ca>

**Mental Health First Aid**

Suicidal Thoughts and Behaviours: First Aid Guidelines

[http://www.mentalhealthfirstaid.ca/EN/resources/Documents/MHFA\\_suicide\\_guidelines.pdf](http://www.mentalhealthfirstaid.ca/EN/resources/Documents/MHFA_suicide_guidelines.pdf)

**Kids Help Phone**

<http://www.kidshelpphone.ca/Teens/InfoBooth/Emotional-Health/Suicide.aspx>

Youth friendly information, links and tips on what to do to help yourself or a friend.

**Teen Mental Health (NS)**

<http://teenmentalhealth.org/for-families-and-teens/suicide/>

Information and resources including several downloadable booklets such as Are You Coping with Suicidal Thoughts? and Have You Lost Someone to Suicide?

**Centre for Applied Research in Mental Health and Addiction (BC)**

Coping with Suicidal Thoughts: A Resource for Patients

<http://www.sfu.ca/carmha/publications/coping-with-suicidal-thoughts.html>

**Here to Help (BC)**

What is suicide?

<http://www.heretohelp.bc.ca/factsheet/what-is-suicide>

A general guide in plain language prepared by the Canadian Mental Health Association, BC Division.

**Resources for Parents****Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario**

Suicide

<http://www.cheo.on.ca/en/suicideinfo>

Information and specific guidance for parents on what to do if your child is at risk for suicide.

**ementalhealth.ca**

Suicide in Children and Youth: Guide for Parents

<http://www.ementalhealth.ca/Toronto/Suicide-in-Children-and-Youth-Guide-for-Parents/index.php?m=article&ID=8896>



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We are pleased to announce a complete financial literacy learning series presented by RBC. Join us for one module or all for a complete learning experience. We will show you how to earn an impressive Financial Literacy Certificate after completing all eight modules.

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Module Four:	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Understanding Debt and Borrowing
Module Five:	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Art of Investing
Module Six:	June 26 <sup>th</sup>	Retirement Planning
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Join us for an Introduction to Financial Literacy for Indigenous Peoples and discover how this 8 module learning series will provide you with tools to make informed financial decisions.

#### Details

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**Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 11:00 am EST**

Virtual Event

**Register today! Space is limited.**

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### RECREATION AND ACTIVITIES



**The MCFN Recreation and Activity Policy has been approved by Chief and Council.**

**MCFN Community members can receive up to \$1500/year for organized sport or recreational programs**



**The full policy is available on the 'Members Only' section of the website. For addition eligibility details please read the policy.**

**ELIGIBLE COSTS INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:**

- REGISTRATION FEES
- MEMBERSHIP FEES
- EQUIPMENT SUCH AS UNIFORM, FOOTWEAR, SAFETY GEAR, ETC.

**FOR INQUIRIES ON THIS PROGRAM**

**PLEASE CONTACT LESLEY GAGNON:  
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[missanabiecreefn.com](http://missanabiecreefn.com)

Form 1

Recreation, Activities, &amp; Sponsorship Policy

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## Missanabie Cree First Nation Recreation/ Activity /Sponsorship Request Form

SECTION 1: Applicant Details	
(Please note, the applicant is the person who will be enrolled in the activity)	
<b>First Name</b>	
<b>Last Name</b>	
<b>Date of Birth</b>	
<b>Band Number</b> (please provide the applicants registered number with Missanabie Cree First Nation or the band they are registered under, if the applicant does not have a band number, please provide the parents #, if the parent does not have a band # please state the reason why)	
<b>Band Name</b>	
<b>Parent(s) / Guardian Name(s)</b> (if applying for a child)	

Applicant Address & Contact Information	
<b>Street Address</b>	
<b>City / Town</b>	
<b>Postal Code / Zip Code</b>	
<b>Province / State</b>	
<b>Country</b>	
<b>Phone Number</b>	
<b>Email</b>	

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SECTION 2: Parent or Guardian Address & Contact Information (if applicable)			
The applicant's address is the same and the guardian / parent			Yes / No <small>(if yes, then skip to section 3)</small>
Street Address			
City / Town			
Postal Code / Zip Code			
Province / State		Country	
Phone Number			
Email			

SECTION 3: Activity / Recreation / Sponsorship Details	
Name of Activity / Recreation	
Description of Activity / Recreation	
Name of Organization	
Address of Organization	
Contact Person	
Contact Phone #	
Email of Organization	
Date(s) of Activity	
Duration of Activity (eg. January to March 2023)	

SECTION 4: Proposed Costs & Financing			
<b>Costs</b> <small>(please attach quote, print out of activity costs, or bill and attach to this application)</small>			
<b>Have you received funding assistance from other sources?</b> <small>(Please Check One)</small>	Yes _____	No _____	
<b>If Yes, please provide date and amount received</b>			
<b>Name of organization funds received from</b>			
<b>Please Note:</b> Funding may be provided upon approval for up to \$1500.00 CAD per Individual, per funding year and is subject to change. For Sponsorship, please fill out this form and staff will forward the request to Chief and Council for consideration. If your activity or recreation exceeds the \$1500.00 CAD amount allotted, your request will be submitted to Chief and Council for consideration.			

SECTION 5: Liability and Consent			
<b>The information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge</b>	Yes / No		
<b>I give Missanabie Cree First Nation permission to contact the First Nation my child is registered to for information regarding services accessed in relation to activities and recreation.</b> <small>(please note that marking no could result in delays in funding)</small>	Yes / No		
<b>I understand and agree that while Missanabie Cree First Nation is providing funding for recreations and activities, I will not hold Missanabie Cree First Nation responsible, nor will I take legal action under any circumstance (i.e., injury etc.).</b>	Yes / No		
<b>Name</b>			
<b>Signature</b>		<b>Date</b>	

FOR OFFICE PURPOSES ONLY				
<b>Approved</b>	Yes / No	<b>Amount</b>		Signature

Job Posting

**Housing Manager**

Deadline: **Open until Filled**

**FT permanent**

**\$75,000 *Gross Annual Salary***

Missanabie Cree First Nation is looking for a **Housing Manager** to manage all aspects of on-reserve housing, including development, administration, and enforcement of Housing Policy, tenant management, the RFP process and inspection of housing construction.

**Qualifications:**

The successful applicant should have knowledge of On-Reserve Housing, a degree in Public Administration, Business, Policy, Accounting or a related field and a minimum of 5 years of experience working in the related field of their academic training. The applicant should have training and/or experience in On-Reserve Indigenous Community Housing.

**The successful candidate must possess the following skills:**

- Proven project management
  - Excellent administrative skills such as: computer literacy, time management, detail oriented
  - Communication and ability to build a good rapport with community members
- Clean CPIC required  
Class "G" Drivers' Licence  
Indigenous Housing program administration experience (or ability to take this training)

**Duties/Requirements:**

- Research and develop housing policy with support from the Governance Committee including but not limited to MCFN's Allocation Policy, Rental Housing Policy, Housing Enforcement Policy;
  - Marketing and management of application process, overseeing intake, review applications to ensure they meet specific eligibility standards and grade their applications against set criteria in the competitive process;
  - Interview prospective tenants to ensure that they are responsible and able to meet the rental agreement terms;
  - Administer financial aspects of rental property management for the band, communicate and coordinate information sharing with finance on rental agreements, tenant arrears, unit vacancies, etc.;
  - Coordinate with contractors to perform repairs on the buildings when necessary;
  - Maintaining order in the community by enforcing rules regarding noise level, occupancy limits, pets, parking, etc.;
  - Conducting regular inspections of units to identify maintenance issues before they become major problems;
  - Conducting evictions when necessary to remove tenants who violate lease agreements or commit illegal acts on the property;
  - Building a housing department of staff, including but not limited to; funding proposal writing to secure funds for recruitment of staff, advertising, interviewing, recruiting, and supervising staff of the Housing Department;
- Overseeing the RFP process for rental housing construction on-reserve as well as site inspection services.

\*This position may be considered on an underfill contractual basis, should there not be fully qualified candidates.

To apply for this position, please drop off your cover letter, resume and references (3) in person at:

559 Queen St. East

Sault Ste Marie, ON, P6A 2A3

By email to: [jmarkie@missanabiecree.com](mailto:jmarkie@missanabiecree.com)

By Fax: 705-254-3292 (Attention: June Markie)



## JOB POSTING

### ELDER CARE COORDINATOR

**Deadline: Until Filled**

REPORTS TO: FAMILY SERVICES SUPERVISOR

FULL-TIME/CONTRACT

#### **SUMMARY:**

Missanabie Cree First Nation is looking for an Elder care worker to provide a variety of non-medical services that allow seniors to remain in their homes.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Preferred diploma in Social Services or equivalent, or experience in community outreach, program delivery and coordination of events and activities.

Good interpersonal and communication skills

Experience and education working in caregiving, respite care or long term care homes

Personal Support Worker certification an asset

Ability to use Microsoft office programs, including email, word, and excel.

Current First Aid & CPR certification or willingness to obtain

Class "G" Drivers' License

CPIC with VSC is required upon job offer

#### **DUTIES/REQUIREMENTS:**

Assist with booking foot care appointments, coordinate transportation to appointments, make referrals where necessary

Advocate to service providers on behalf of elders

Work with nurse for diabetic care and check ups

Set up services such as meals on wheels, taxi, personal care, foot care, dentist, home cleaning services

Case and file management, Writing up care plans, Daily log forms, Registrations forms

Assisting with documentation/medical forms such as NIHB, travel grants, pension, wills

Complete and submit intake and request forms such as housing repair services, prescriptions, medical equipment.

Schedule home visits with elders, check in by phone or email to members nationwide, provide programming and information.

Administer the Elder healthy snack program

Other duties as required

#### **WORKING CONDITIONS**

Office environment

Sitting for long periods

Travel within the city

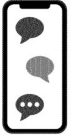
To apply for this position, please drop off your cover letter, resume and three (3) references:

By email to: [jmarkie@missanabiecree.com](mailto:jmarkie@missanabiecree.com)

By Fax: 705-254-3292 (Attention: June Markie)



# NAN HOPE



Nishnawbe Aski Mental Health and Addictions Support Access Program

**We're here for you 24/7**

1-844-NAN-HOPE  
(1-844-626-4673)

The Nishnawbe Aski Mental Health Wellness Support Access Program (NAN Hope) provides community-driven, culturally appropriate and timely mental health and addictions support to members of the 49 First Nations communities in Nishnawbe Aski region.

This First Nation-led program is in response to the specific mental health needs of community members in northern Ontario, offering a central access point to mental health and addictions support.

### Program Services:



Navigation to mental health and addictions support services



Rapid access to clinical and mental health counselling



24/7 toll-free rapid access to confidential crisis services

Phone | Text\* | Chat\*

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

\*Text and Live Chat support are available Monday through Friday: 8:00am - 12:00am ET and Saturday and Sunday: 10:00am - 11:00pm ET.

## Need a Helpline?

Toll Free Helplines for Northern Ontario

- Children
- Youth
- Adults



### Support & Information Lines

- Kids Help Phone  
☎ 1.800.668.6868  
🕒 24 Hours
- Operation Come Home  
☎ 1.800.668.4663  
🕒 8am - 4pm EST (Mon-Fri)
- MissingKids.ca  
☎ 1.800.KID.TIPS  
☎ 1.800.543.8477
- Assaulted Women's Helpline  
☎ 1.866.863.7868  
TTY  
☎ 1.866.863.7868
- Victim Support Line  
☎ 1.888.579.2888  
🕒 24 Hours
- Senior Safety Line  
☎ 1.866.299.1011
- Good2Talk (Post Secondary Helpline)  
☎ 1.866.925.5454
- LGBT Youth Line  
☎ 1.800.268.9688

**211**

When you don't know where to turn

Connects you to health, community, government & social services.  
🕒 24 Hours

### Mental Health & Addictions

- First Nations & Inuit Hope for Wellness Line  
☎ 1.855.242.3310  
🕒 24 Hours
- Mental Health Service Information Ontario  
☎ 1.866.531.2600  
🕒 24 Hours
- Drug & Alcohol Information Line  
☎ 1.800.565.8603  
🕒 24 Hours
- Ontario Problem Gambling Helpline  
☎ 1.888.230.3505  
🕒 24 Hours
- Al-Anon - Alateen  
☎ 1.888.425.2666  
🕒 8am - 6pm EST (Mon-Fri)
- Talk4Healing  
☎ 1.855.554.HEAL (4325)

### Health

- AIDS & Sexual Health Information Line  
☎ 1.800.668.2437  
🕒 10am - 10:30am EST (Mon-Fri)  
🕒 11am - 3pm EST (Sat & Sun)
- Telehealth Ontario (Health Information Line)  
☎ 1.866.797.0000  
🕒 24 Hours

# Community News, Notes, & Stories

I want to wish my DAD Happy Birthday in the Spirit World

I miss you dad every single day.

Love your daughter  
June



Would also like to wish all born in February a Happy Birthday.

From the desk of,

June Markie



After taking Digital Media Production, which I couldn't have done without the help from Missanabie, I worked for a local news station called TBT News in Thunder Bay for three years. That job prepared me for my new position as an Indigenous Journalist for CityNews Winnipeg! I was hired as 1 of 5 Indigenous Journalists across Canada and with this job I not only plan to positively represent Missanabie Cree through my work, but also help tell stories of Indigenous peoples down in Winnipeg on a National level!

-MITCHELL RINGOS

## January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to my nephew Patrick love Auntie Debbie

Happy Birthday to Brent Fletcher love the Fletcher family

Happy Birthday to Brent Fletcher love Auntie Debbie

Happy Birthday to Robert Ewing love the Fletcher family

Happy Birthday to my son, Robert Ewing, love mom

Happy Birthday to my grandson, Everett Ewing, love Namz

Happy Birthday to Everett Ewing love the Fletcher Family

Happy Birthday to my daughter-in-law Phyllicia love Debbie

Happy Birthday to Phyllicia Ewing love the Fletcher Family

## February Birthdays

Happy Birthday Barb, love the Fletcher Family

Happy Birthday to my sister Barb love Debbie

Happy Birthday to my granddaughter, Elizabeth Ewing, love Namz

Happy Birthday to Elizabeth Ewing, love the Fletcher Family

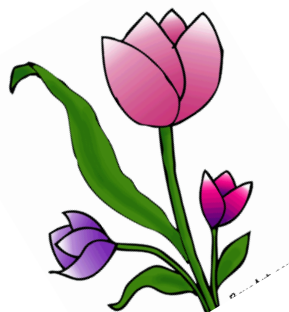
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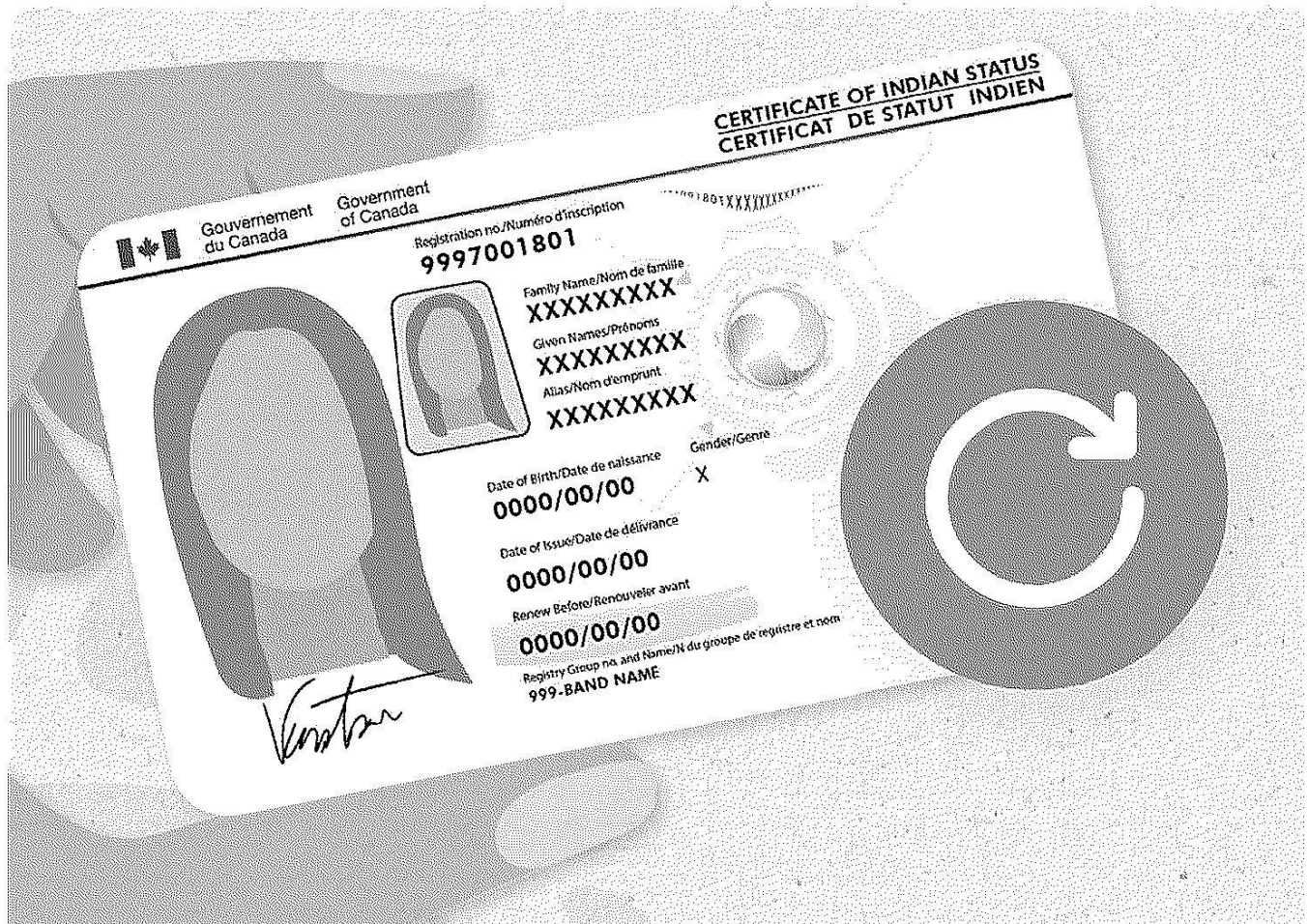
**Share Your**

**Stories &**

**Accomplishments**



# Status Card Renewal



Has your status card expired? Looking to renew?

Renewing your status card makes it easier to access programs and services.

Take your own photo when applying for a status card and submit it straight from your smart phone free of charge using the SCIS Photo App. Submit your application through the mail, or by visiting any regional or First Nation office.

Renewal processing take 8-12 weeks, so don't delay, renew today!

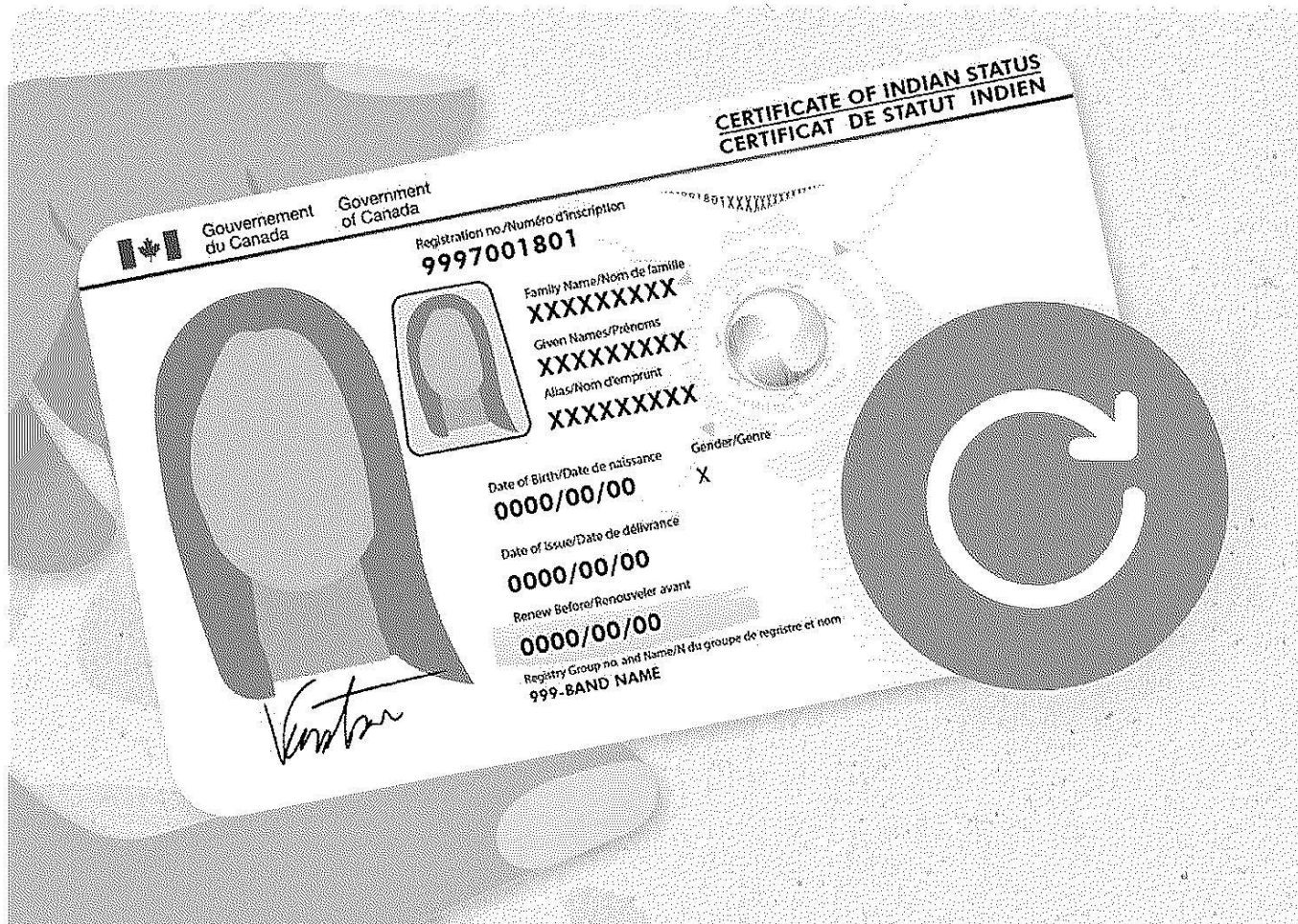
Learn how.

For more information, we invite you to visit:

**[GotoInfo.ca/Status-Card](https://GotoInfo.ca/Status-Card)**



## Renouveler de la carte de statut



Votre carte de statut a expiré ? Vous cherchez à la renouveler ?

Le renouvellement de votre carte de statut vous permet d'accéder plus facilement aux programmes et services.

Prenez votre propre photo lorsque vous demandez une carte de statut et soumettez-la directement à partir de votre téléphone intelligent, gratuitement, en utilisant l'application photo du CSSI. Soumettez votre demande par la poste ou en vous rendant dans n'importe quel bureau régional ou des Premières nations.

Le traitement du renouvellement prend 8 à 12 semaines, alors ne tardez pas, renouvelez dès aujourd'hui !

Apprenez comment.

Pour plus d'informations, nous vous invitons à visiter le site :  
**[obtenezinfo-enligne.ca/carte-statut](https://obtenezinfo-enligne.ca/carte-statut)**




# February Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday!




Jason

Happy Birthday!



Shane  
Todd

Happy Birthday!



Eric  
Carolyn

Happy Birthday



Cathy  
Jeanette

Happy Birthday!



Barbara  
Beatrice

Happy Birthday




Katharine

Happy Birthday!



Jennifer

Happy Birthday




Emily  
Matthew  
Ryan

Happy Birthday



Britta-  
Alain

Happy Birthday!




David  
Paul  
Jacob

Happy Birthday!



Makayla  
Alexandra

Happy Birthday!



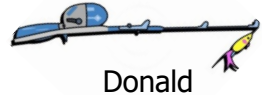
Charles  
Adrian

Happy Birthday



Garnet  
Nathan  
Isabell

Happy Birthday!




Donald

Happy Birthday!



Mildred  
Zachary  
Mitchell  
Joel

Happy Birthday!




Elizabeth

Happy Birthday!




John  
Danielle

Happy Birthday!




Kyle

Happy Birthday



Nolan

Happy Birthday!



James  
Gloria

Happy Birthday!



Kyle  
Ashton  
Vanessa  
Joanne  
Carolyn

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### Island View Camp

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### Dog Lake Camp Ground

Contact - Rod Duhaime



## VISION STATEMENT OF THE MISSANABIE CREE

We are the Omushkego of the Missanabie Cree Iliiwak;  
whose vision is to have a united and self-governing body  
that will determine our destiny guided by the Seven Grandfather Teachings.

We have a vision of a leadership that is open, honest, trustworthy;  
a leadership with conviction, accessible to the people;  
a leadership that is progressive yet respectful of our traditions, values, and beliefs;  
a leadership with confidence, always watchful and assertive  
in protecting and preserving the treaty and aboriginal rights of our people;  
a leadership that is directed by our people  
and with exclusive accountability to our people and our people alone.

We have a vision of our community re-established on the traditional lands  
that were once the homeland of our ancestors  
where institutions of our government, economy and education can once again thrive.

We have a vision of a people where individuals and families can stand strong  
and find healing through tradition and spirituality;  
individuals and families who are loving and compassionate.

We have a vision of a people who are bi-cultural and bi-lingual;  
a people who can walk in both worlds contributing to our well-being,  
the well-being of other Indigenous Peoples; contributing and competing globally.

We have a vision of a Nation of people who respect the dignity of all;  
a people who find balance through equality.

We have a vision of people who respect the environment,  
harvesting and reaping the resources of the land in a sustainable manner  
as responsible stewards for the use of future generations.

We are the Omushkego of the Missanabie Cree Iliiwak;  
whose vision it is to regain and restore our rightful place  
and through the strength of our people, never again be denied our place in society.

## VISION STATEMENT OF THE MISSANABIE CREE

### Vision Statement Cree

nîlân-omaškeko-misinapî-ililiwak  
ka-wapatakik-e-mamokapocik-e-palîtocîk  
e-nosonamak-nîsos-koskonomakana-

ni-wapatenan-nîkanîsîwin-e-ka-katacik-kekana  
nîkanîsîwin kakî-wapamacik  
nîkanîsîwin-nîkan-kaytapicik-maka-kîštelitamok-nešta-maka-tapiwetamowina-  
nîkanîsîwin-ka-tepakelimocik-ka-yakamasîcik-  
e-pimacîyacîk-nešta-maka-e-natamet-otililîma  
nîkanîsîwin-katipelimikot-otililîma  
ekomaka-eh-yatamentakosît-otililîma-oci

nîlan-kîwâpatenan-mîna-eošitayak-nîtâwinan- taskîminak  
ka-ocîyak-weškacîwokamakanak  
kakî-palîtisocîk-nešta-maka-e-koskonamowin-mîna-emilopalak

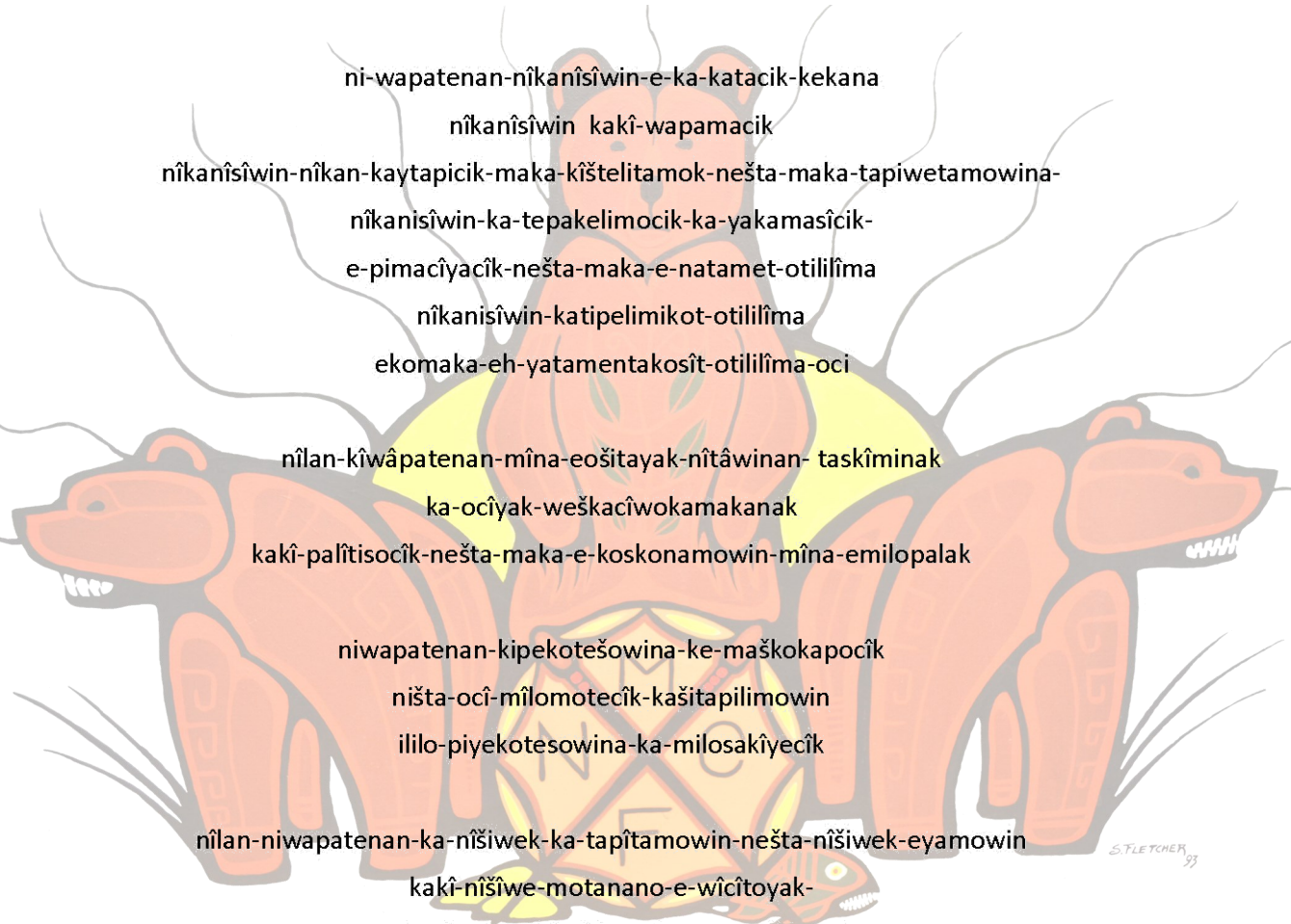
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ništa-ocî-mîlomotecîk-kašitapilimowin  
ililo-piyekotesowina-ka-milosakîyecîk

nîlan-niwapatenan-ka-nîšiwek-ka-tapîtamowin-nešta-nîšiwek-eyamowin  
kakî-nîšîwe-motanano-e-wîcîtoyak-  
weci-milopimatisit-ilîlowak-mamowîciyewin

niwapatenan-ka-itaskanesîwin-e-mîlowakimitoyak-misawe

niwapatenan-ilîlowak-ka-manâcihtacîk-askî  
koyesk-e-nakacîtacîk-otaskîmow-  
nîkahnik-koyesk-kenakacîtacîk-

nîlân-omaškeko-misinapî-ililiwak  
ewapatamak-mîna-e-kîayaeyak-kakîtayakopan  
ekomâka-ke-maškokapoyak-ti-lilîmonan-monamînaiškac-ocî-atemilikoyak



# VISION STATEMENT OF THE MISSANABIE CREE

## Vision Statement Cree Syllabics

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ᓄ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ, ᐅ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ

ᐅ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ

ᓄ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ, ᓄ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ

ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ

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ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ, ᓄ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ

ᐅ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ ᐅᓕᓐᑦᑲ

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