



The Healing of The Seven Generations Newsletter – March 2021

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The Healing of The Seven Generations is a non-profit organization based in Kitchener. Our vision includes developing self-help strategies for the Indigenous community, facilitating teachings, implementing cultural programming that promotes healing, and overall to assist and empower individuals within our community to improve their quality of life.

“I AM GRATEFUL FOR
EVERYTHING I HAVE,
EVERYTHING I KNOW,
EVERYTHING I AM.”

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Due to a change in systems from Google to Microsoft, our forms and emails have changed! Below you will find [a complete staff directory](#) with updated email addresses. Please feel free to email any staff as they pertain to your needs based on their position, and we will get back to you in a timely manner.

Staff Member	Position	Contact
Donna Dubie	Executive Director	donnadubie@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
Kelly Curley	Fire Keeper/Knowledge Keeper	kcurley@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
Latasha Wilson	Administrative Assistant	lwilson@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
Amanda Trites	Native Criminal Court/Family Court Worker & Gladue Writer	atrites@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
Scott Norton	Court Support/Family Support	snorton@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
Kelly Welch	Cultural Program Coordinator	kwelch@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
Andrea Hundt	Administrative Assistant	ahundt@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
Cherry Smith	General Support Worker	csmith@healingofthesevengenerations.ca

COVID-19 Response Update:

The center remains open by appointment only. Our staff are working to ensure that the community's needs are still met by providing virtual programming wherever possible and making forms and information readily available online. We are now offering booking for all of our programs and staff via our online platform which can be found on our website.

In Case You Missed It:

The Healing of The Seven Generations would like to extend a sincere thank-you to all those who have supported the organization's 2020 Christmas Program and raffle. For 2020, we were able to provide assistance to over 300 families and 400 children!

Every volunteer, staff member, partner organization, sponsor and donor's ongoing participation are what allow us all to continue to serve our community in the best way possible.

We are eternally grateful to be able to provide these programs year after year, especially during such a globally unstable time.

Thank you to our community members, volunteers, staff, the Region of Waterloo, the Indigenous Student Association in partnership with White Owl Native Ancestry Association, KW Community Foundation, and KW Urban Native Wigwam Project.

Employment & Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for volunteers at the centre every Thursday and Friday for help with our Food Bank and cleaning. Some tasks that may be involved with these opportunities are:

- Cleaning
- Restocking of shelves
- Carrying boxes of food in/out of the centre
- Organizing

For more information, please visit our website or call us at 519-570-9118

DEHSAHSODRE LEGAL SERVICES

The Healing of The Seven Generations is excited to announce the new name – Dehsahsodre – for our justice program.

Along with a new name, we are launching a contest for a logo design to go with our new program name!

Dehsahsodre means to bring all things together in unity – which is why we would love the community's participation.

The contest is open from March 15th 2021 – April 15th 2021 and all submissions can be forwarded to Amanda at atrites@healingofthesevengenerations.ca

The winner will be notified and given a special prize on April 29th 2021 and announced in the May newsletter.

Best of luck to all of the contestants, and we look forward to seeing your submissions!

COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE

There are two sites specific to First Nation, Métis, and Inuit vaccination in the Waterloo Region.

- 1 Anishnabeg Outreach: 236 Woodhaven Rd, Kitchener. Starting March 19 & 20.
- 2 Co-hosted by Healing of the Seven Generations and KW Urban Native Wigwam Project; Regional Headquarters 150 Fredrick St, Kitchener. Starting March 24 & 25.

Everyone must have a pre-booked appointment. Pre-registration happens through one of the following:

While other regions may have different processes in place, the Waterloo Region has worked with the Indigenous Working Group to determine a process for Waterloo Region.

- Times will be confirmed with your appointment. More dates to follow.
- For Covid and vaccination resources specific to First Nations, Métis, and Inuit visit:
 - www.aocan.org
 - www.healingofthesevengenerations.ca
 - <https://kwunwp.weebly.com/>
 - Pre-registration is required.
 - Appointment only after pre-registration is completed.

1. Anishnabeg Outreach: ☎ (519)-208-5333 or email to ✉ info@aocan.org
2. The Healing of the Seven Generations: ☎ (519)-570-9118.
✉ covidnavigator@healingofthesevengenerations.ca OR covidadmin@healingofthesevengenerations.ca
3. KW Urban Native Wigwam Project: ☎ (519)-743-5868 ✉ kwunwpnavigator@gmail.com
4. Region of Waterloo call center: ☎ (519)-575-4400 or through their website: www.regionofwaterloo.ca



COMMUNITY CALLOUT:

We are planning a display for solidarity and raise awareness for the missing and murdered Indigenous women by displaying a number of red dresses outside of the center in May. If anyone has any red dresses they would like to donate for this display, please contact us to drop them off at the center.

We would also like to ask the surrounding community if there are any local stories you would like to share alongside this display. Any inquiries or stories can be forwarded to Andrea at ahundt@healingofthesevengenerations.ca.

NEW Kids Culture Craft Club

We are pleased to offer out Indigenous (Self-Identifying) Community Youth under 18 years of age an opportunity to join or new Kids Culture Craft Club!

Each month we will offer a craft with materials and instructions for youth to complete at home.

Cultural craft kits are prepared by local community members and volunteers.

A sign-up form is available on our website!

COMMUNITY AGENDA

Tuesday, March 16

11:00am Sanguen Mobile Health Bus

Wednesday, March 17

6:00pm Mohawk Language Class

Thursday, March 18

6:00pm Anishinaabe Language Class - Facilitated by James Shawana

Sunday, March 21

1:00pm Powwow Drumstrick Workshop

Tuesday, March 23

11:00am Sanguen Mobile Health Bus

Wednesday, March 24

6:00pm Mohawk Language Class

Thursday, March 25

6:00pm Anishinaabe Language Class - Facilitated by James Shawana

Tuesday, March 30

11:00am Sanguen Mobile Health Bus

Wednesday, March 31

6:00pm Mohawk Language Class

Thursday, April 1

6:00pm Anishinaabe Language Class - Facilitated by James Shawana

For more information and to stay up to date with the latest news, follow us on Facebook or visit our website: <https://healingofthesevengenerations.ca/>

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