

Weekly Newsletter for March 23-29

Flyers are to be delivered each weekend by 4pm Sunday evening. Didn't receive your newsletter this weekend? Please call Kristy Boucher at 623-9543 ext.217 or info@fwfn.com with your questions or concerns.

Finance Information Page For:

- Direct Deposit Forms for Member Distributions
- Youth Turning 18 Direct Deposit Forms
- Late Banking Information Annual Member Distributions
- Are You Making a Payment?

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NOTICE TO ON RESERVE HOUSEHOLDS WITH DOGS

Letting your dog run loose, puts them and the community members in danger.

It is up to the pet owner to control their pets, and protect others from them. Pet owners can be held accountable if their pet hurts someone.

Please be advised that Flyer Carriers have the right to refuse delivery to the household in they encounter a dog or dogs in the area that makes them feel unsafe.



Direct Deposit Forms for Member Distributions

Please keep your banking information up-to-date with Finance. If you change your financial institution or have not yet provided any banking information to Finance, the following options are available to submit your Direct Deposit Information:

- 1. Mail in a sample VOID cheque from your chequing account that has your current address information on it. Please enclose a brief note such as "Please update my direct deposit information", <u>sign and date</u> this note and provide your phone number in case we need to contact you.
- 2. If you have online banking, you can print out your own Direct Deposit form, sign and date it, print your address and phone number on it and mail it to FWFN Finance.
- 3. You can also visit your financial institution and have them fax FWFN Finance directly at (807) 623-5190 your direct deposit form after you signed and dated it. The fax must be faxed from the financial institution and cannot be faxed from a third-party fax number. Please note, some financial institutions provide this fax service and some do not. In the event they do not, you will need to mail this direct deposit form to us, as we will require your <u>original signature.</u>
- 4. Please note Finance does not process any banking updates by e-mail or pictures.
- 5. If you are providing your banking information for FWFN employee payroll purposes, you will need to consent to release this information from FWFN Payroll to share this information to FWFN Accounts Payable and you will need to sign and date this form along with FWFN Payroll sign off.

Youth Turning 18 - Direct Deposit Forms

Please provide your direct deposit information as noted above at least 1-week in advance of your birthday. Please contact Ed Collins/Trustee directly relating to youth funds held in trust with the Specific Claim Housing Trust at cell (807) 356-1970 to arrange any payment of youth funds due to you.

Late Banking Information – Annual Member Distributions

Any revised direct deposit information received after a member distribution will be processed on the 3rd – Friday of each month thereafter. Please provide no later than the Wednesday before the 3rd Friday to ensure any amounts owing to you are processed on the 3rd Friday. Otherwise, your payment may not be processed until the following month's 3rd Friday.

Are You Making a Payment?

Any member or customer making a payment (rent, ice rental, arena gym memberships, hall rental, hunting/fishing licenses, craft tables, Health Fair, Good Food Box, Pow Wow vendors, any other payments), Fort William First Nation Reception (2nd Floor of Band Office) must issue you an official pre-numbered FWFN receipt at the time of your payment.

FWFN Reception can now also process your payment by <u>debit/credit card</u> (Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover). You may also make your payment FWFN Reception by cash or cheque, you may also mail in your cheque payment to the address noted below. Please reference your invoice number or rental unit address for rental payments.

FWFN Arena can process receipts if you are paying for your ice by cheque, debit or credit card. The Arena no longer processes cash. If you are paying your ice rental by cash, please see FWFN Reception to have your official pre-numbered FWFN receipt issued to you.

Fort William First Nation – Reception is location on the 2nd floor, Suite 200 at 90 Anemki Drive.

Questions regarding the above can be address to Lori Payne, CPA, CA – A/Director of Finance.



Department: Fort William First Nation CEO

Subject: Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Update to Community

Date Prepared: March 18, 2020

Prepared by: Christina Thiessen Executive Assistant - Office of the CEO

NOTICE TO COMMUNITY

OFFICE CLOSED TEMPORARILY TO THE PUBLIC

In the interest of helping to prevent further spread of COVID-19 for the health of our community, staff, and the general public, all Fort William First Nation offices will be closed to the public

These offices will still be conducting business but currently closed to the general public until further notice. Staff will continue to be available through email and phone calls. Please note below our emergency on-call phone numbers:

Housing On-Call Phone Line:	807-633-3959
Family Support On-Call Phone Line:	807-472-7701

Essential services will continue to be provided and the Pandemic Response Team will continue providing updates.

How can I protect myself from getting COVID-19?

You can stay healthy and prevent the spread of infections by:

- washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds;
- avoiding touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands;
- avoiding close contact with people who are sick;
- coughing or sneezing into your sleeve and not your hands; and
- staying home if you are sick to avoid spreading illness to others.

Michael D. Pelletier Chief Executive Officer Fort William First Nation 807.623.9543 Ext. 233 90 Anemki Drive, Suite 200 Fort William First Nation, ON P7J 1L3



COMMUNITY NOTICE

ALL SCHEDULED PROGRAMMING AND EVENTS ARE CANCELLED FOR FWFN HEALTH CENTRE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

ANISHINABEK POLICE SERVICE

1436 Highway 17B • Garden River, Ontario • P6A 6Z1 • Tel. 705-946-2539 • Fax 705-946-2589

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Anishinaabek	
Curve Lake First Nation	Anishinabek Police Service Response to COVID-19
Dokis First Nation	(Garden River) - The Anishinabek Police Service continues to actively monitor the COVID-19 situation in collaboration with national, provincial and local community health partners. The APS is working to ensure the safety & wellbeing of all employees.
Fort William First Nation	The Anishinabek Police Service will be following the recommendations and guidelines of
Garden River First Nation	public health officials to prevent the spread of COVID 19 in our detachments and communities.
Ginoogaming First Nation	Effective immediately APS Detachments will be closed to the public except for emergency situations.
Kettle & Stony Point First Nation	If you require a police officer for an incident please call the Provincial Communications Center at 1-800-310-1122. For emergent situations, please call 911.
Magnetawan First Nation	Detachment telephones are operational and all of our detachments and headquarters remain open for emergent situations. We ask that the public only attend our detachments if absolutely necessary.
Nipissing First Nation	All non-essential fingerprinting and CPIC checks will be suspended until further notice.
Pic Mobert First Nation	The Anishinabek Police Service services 16 communities across north central and southern Ontario. We have 12 detachment locations.
Sagamok Anishinabek	Media Contact – A/Police Chief Marc Lesage
Shawanaga First Nation	Telephone – 1-705-946-2539
Wahnapitae First Nation	-30-
Wasauksing First Nation	

Anishinabek Police Service provides effective, efficient, proud, trustworthy and accountable service to ensure Anishinabek residents and visitors are safe and healthy while respecting traditional cultural values including the protection of inherent rights and freedoms on our traditional territories.

Wash Your Hands Often to Stay Healthy

Handwashing is one of the best ways to protect yourself and your family from getting sick. Learn when and how you should wash your hands to stay healthy.

You can help yourself and your loved ones stay healthy by <u>washing your hands often</u>, especially during these key times when you are likely to get and spread germs:

- •Before, during, and after preparing food
- •Before eating food
- •Before and after caring for someone who is sick with vomiting or diarrhea.
- •Before and after treating a cut or wound
- •After using the toilet
- •After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has used the toilet
- •After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- •After touching an animal, animal feed, or animal waste
- •After handling pet food or pet treats
- •After touching garbage

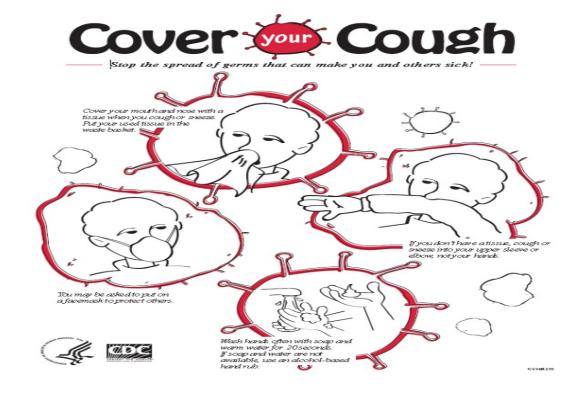


If soap and water not available, use an alcohol-base hand sanitizer.

What is the correct way to sneeze or cough to avoid spreading germs?

- 1. Always carry a tissue or handkerchief to cover your mouth or nose.
- 2. Cough or sneeze into your elbow, if you don't have a tissue.
- 3. Turn away from people when coughing or sneezing to avoid contaminating others.
- 4. If you are in a crowd and cannot turn away, cough or sneeze downwards towards your feet.
- 5. If you are having a coughing or sneezing episode, excuse yourself from the room until it subsides.

In addition, washing hands and/or use of antibacterial hand gel immediately after blowing one's nose is critical to help stop the spread of germs.





FNIHB-OR: CD Unit Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Fact Sheet

What is the new coronavirus virus?

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses, causing from the common cold to more severe diseases. The coronavirus (COVID-19) is a new coronavirus identified in China in late December 2019. It has since spread to other countries in the world.

What are the symptoms?

Symptoms of novel coronavirus are similar to influenza and include: fever, cough and/or difficulty breathing. In severe cases, the infection can lead to hospitalization or death.

Am I at risk of getting it?

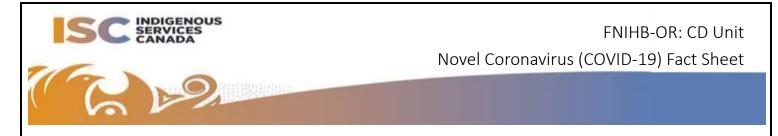
- At this time, the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) states the risk of coronavirus to Canadians is low
- You are at risk of getting sick with the novel coronavirus if you have:
 - recently travelled to a country affected by COVID-19 (mainland China, Hong Kong, Iran, Italy, japan, Singapore, South Korea) * please see PHAC travel advisory website below for updated countries
 - \circ $\$ been in close contact with someone tested and has the virus
 - \circ $\,$ been in close contact with a suspected case of the virus
 - been in close contact with someone who has recently travelled to the affected area and has symptoms of respiratory illness listed above
 - If you are at risk of getting the virus and you have symptoms of fever, cough, or shortness of breath, call your health care provider or nursing station right away
- Your risk of becoming very sick may be higher if you have a weakened immune system this includes older adults and people with chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart problems or cancer

How can I protect myself?

- You can protect yourself the same way as would from the flu, such as:
 - ✓ washing your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
 - ✓ avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands
 - ✓ covering your mouth and nose with a tissue or arm when coughing and sneezing
 - ✓ avoid people who are sick
 - ✓ stay home if you are sick and limit visitors

Is there treatment for the coronavirus?

- There are no specific treatments or vaccines for coronaviruses
- Most people will recover on their own and are advised to drink lots of water or fluids, get rest and sleep, and try a humidifier or a hot shower to help with a sore throat or cough
- People who are very sick with symptoms (such as difficulty breathing) or are at risk of complications, should to go to the emergency department or nursing station to be assessed
 - Call the clinic before going in to tell them about your symptoms and risks



For additional Resources:

- Current information visit Ontario Ministry of Health at www.ontario.ca/coronavirus
- Public Health Agency of Canada COVID-19 toll free at: 1-833-784-4397
- Public Health Agency of Canada COVID-19 travel advisory: www.travel.gc.ca
- Coronavirus and First Nations Communities website: <u>https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1581964230816</u>





FWFN Health Centre

You may find yourself in need of services

Some helpful supports are listed below:

APS-Anishinabek Police Service FWFN Detach: 807-625-0232
Child & Youth Crisis Support Line Thunder Bay: 807-346-8282
Thunder Bay Counselling Centre: 807-684-1880
Thunder Bay and Area Victims Services: 807-684-1051
Youth Outreach Worker: 807-623-8511
Beendigan Inc. Crisis Line: 807-346 HELP (4357)
Dilico Anishnabek Family Services: 623-8511
Safe Alternatives: 1-800-366-8288
Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868
Thunder Bay Crisis Response Services: 1-888-269-3100 or 346-8282
Crisis Services Canada: 1-833-456-4566
Balmoral Detox Centre: 623-6515
Talk4Healing Help Line: 1-855-554-4325

FWFN Health

90 Anemki Drive FWFN, ON Phone: (807) 622-8802



Memorandum

To: Sharon Gilbert Program Support for the Ministry of Children, Community Social Services CC: Chief Peter Collins, CEO Michael Pelletier Jr., and Director Karen Bannon From: Shannon Crews Date: March 16, 2020 Re: Coronavirus COVID-19

Due to the growing concerns of the Coronavirus and the recent action taken by the Ontario Government to suspend or limit access to public buildings and programs and to help address the unprecedented situation we currently find ourselves faced with, as it relates to Coronavirus COVID – 19, we will be issuing a Discretionary payment in the amount of \$200.00 to our active Ontario Works participants. This payment will be issued to mitigate some of the concerns related to accessing resources and services and prepare for future virus changes. The support is intended to alleviate some of the concerns regarding food shortages and resources accessible in the community and in the municipality of Thunder Bay.

The benefit will be issued from the Directive 7.7 Other Benefits:

- First Nations Ontario Works Administrator may use their discretion as appropriate to reflect the priorities of their First Nation.
- Services, items or cost necessary to maintain the safety or well-being of a person/s in the household, where such supports cannot be provided through other means.

Our highest priority is the safety and well-being of our participants and community. We will continue to monitor this situation as we proceed.

If you have any concerns and or questions please contact Fort William First Nation Social Services at (807) 622-6791.

Respectfully, Shannon Crews Ontario Works Manager Fort William First Nation Social Services



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To: Ontario Works Clients/ FWFN Employment and Training
CC: Karen Bannon
From: Shannon Crews
Date: March 13, 2020
Re: COVID – 19 and Our Services

Due to the recent global situation with COVID - 19 and as it continues to evolve. We would like to let you know of some changes to our delivery of our programs.

Until further notice all programming through Fort William First Nation Social Services and Fort William First Nation Employment and Training will be on hold or Postponed until a later date.

Any updates or requirements for your file can be done over the phone.

Benefit cheques for April 1, 2020 will be mailed to the address on file.

Our highest priority is the safety of our participants and teammates during this time. In order to maintain services we want to minimizing visitors to our office for non-essential services and ask that you contact our office via phone or email rather than in person.

If you have any concerns and or questions please contact Fort William First Nation Social Services at (807) 622-6791.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Que Shannon Crews

Ontario Works Manager Fort William First Nation Social Services

FORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

During the COVID-19 pandemic we are seeking volunteers to help in any means necessary to support our emergency response team

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT: Bess @ 252-7038 or besslegarde@fwfn.com

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ORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION

JOB POSTING

Position Title:	Band Membership Clerk Full-time Contract Position – 1 Year Maternity Coverage Possibility of extension (up to 18 months)
Position Description:	This position will assist FWFN Band Members through the application process for Indian Status to facilitate the determination of an individual's eligibility for Indian Status and also maintain the Band List.

individual's eligibility for Indian Status and also maintain the Band List. This role also communicates decisions made by the Registrar and issues Status Cards to those that are deemed eligible. The Band Membership Clerk will have knowledge of FWFN's values, culture and traditions. The Band Membership Clerk will work under the direct supervision of the CEO.

Major Responsibilities:

- Administer the membership program for the Fort William First Nation Band
- Assist community members in applying for status, renewing status cards, and updating records regarding marriage, divorce and death
- Maintain a current, up-to-date and accurate Indian Register (a listing of all persons registered as Indians under the Indian Act) for the First Nation
- Assist with access to government services related to the occurrence of life changes as a status Indian such as reporting birth, marriage, divorce and death events.
- Refer individuals to various organizations or references to conduct research for registration
- Assist individuals who are applying for registration for Indian Status or to become a Band member (e.g. assist individuals with transfers to and from other bands as requested)
- Network with other First Nation Clerks, as required
- Receive and review applications and assist for Indian Status
- Communicate to individuals of the decisions made by the Registrar on their application
- Issue status cards for authorized individuals in accordance with Departmental policies and procedures
- Maintain an effective filing system that includes the necessary reporting of Certificates of Indian Status on a regular basis along with an event reporting system for all transactions
- Meet with Department Officer on a regular basis to review Registry program and discuss areas for improvement
- Submit Registry and Band files for auditing as requested
- Liaise with Provincial and Federal Departments/Agencies to facilitate the provision of services to First Nation clients
- Assist the Indian Registrar in maintaining the integrity of the information contained within the Indian Registrar. The responsibilities of an Indian Registration Administrator, as delegated to them by the Indian Registrar are included in the Indian Registration Administrator Training Manual.

We appreciate all applications. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



FORT WILLIAM FIRST NATION A full job description is available upon request.

Qualifications:

- Full comprehension of Indian Registration process
- Indian Registrar Administration (IRA) Training is an Asset
- Strong verbal and communication skills and be able to relate well with members, coworkers, and general public
- Able to take direction willingly from supervisor
- Detail oriented with excellent organization skills
- Experience working in an administrative setting; reliability and dependability is a requirement
- Scheduling client appointments
- Excellent knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Ability to multitask and prioritize daily workload
- This position will be subject to a criminal records check.

Salary:	To be negotiated.
Job Posting Closing Date:	Applications, consisting of a cover letter and resume with three (3) references, must be received by 4pm on Friday, March 27, 2020. Please
	direct your application to the attention of:

Donna Mullen Human Resources Assistant Ph: 807-623-9543 ext. 806, Fax: 807-623-5190 Email: donnamullen@fwfn.com

When hand delivering; ensure that your application is date stamped and a copy provided to you.



JOB POSTING

Position Title:	Community Energy Champion (CEC) – Three Year Contract
Position Description:	The CEC will assist the Director of Economic Development and the Economic Development Manager in managing and coordinating energy related activities including engagement and capacity development around energy efficiency and green practices. The CEC will be the lead individual responsible for further development and implementation of a revised green Community Energy Plan. This will include completing all field work, community engagement and research required for the plan. Once the CEP is complete, the CEC will monitor conservation activities, work with individual home owners on conservation and energy options, and be involved with other energy projects within the community of Fort William surrounding band owned and operated facilities. The CEC will be responsible for completing energy audits within the community of FWFN and providing low cost, energy efficient upgrades to any in need Band owned facilities and residences. The CEC will be the main representative bridging the gap between current energy models and the switch to cleaner energy. The CEC will also be tasked with searching out future funding to implement any future larger energy infrastructure
	projects that may need to be implemented.

Major Responsibilities:

- Create an up to date, environmentally focused and fiscally sound Community Energy Plan
- Engage with energy sector professionals (IESO, Hydro One, Ministry of Energy, Ontario Energy Board) on a regular basis
- Point of contact for correspondence and opportunities related to energy for the community of Fort William First Nation (FWFN)
- Act as a point of contact and an energy education and conservation resource for the community for all energy related queries
- Complete Audits of the community energy through distribution of surveys and conduct data collection and interviews with FWFN as necessary
- Prepare notices on social media and the community newsletter
- Invite professional energy sector personnel as guest speakers, and provide materials for meetings and information sessions
- Coordinate community information sessions, and community engagement activities ie: logo and poster designs, photo voice presentations, and more as needed
- Procure funding for implementation of CEP by writing funding applications as opportunities arise for assistance related to energy generation, education and conservation



- Research into new and emerging technologies as per the CEP
- Perform other duties as requested related to energy

Qualifications:

- Post-Secondary Diploma or Degree in any area relating to: Science, Energy or Environmental studies
- Experience in First Nation Organization in the area of lands, environment and/or energy is considered an asset
- Knowledge of the First Nation culture and traditions or have the willingness to learn
- Ability to administer programs and initiatives
- Advanced computer skills in Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and social media platforms
- Effective verbal, presentation, written and listening communication skills
- Excellent organization, coordination, and time management skills
- Must be able to complete field work as required in adverse weather conditions
- Must have a vehicle and a valid "G" class license

Salary: To be determined

Closing Date:

Applications, consisting of a cover letter and resume with 3 references, must be received by **4:00 p.m. on March 27, 2020.** Please direct your application to the direction of:

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We appreciate all applications, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



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JOB POSTING

Position Title:	Finance Officer- Full-time Permanent
Position Description:	Under the general direction of the Controller, the Finance Officer will perform internal control functions, account reconciliation, general ledger administration and preparation of audit working papers.

Major Responsibilities:

- Monitor and enforce existing financial policies and procedures and assist with identifying areas for improvement relevant to accounting and internal control, budgeting, forecasting, and project tracking. Communicate and collaborate with Controller and Director of Finance to stay abreast of spending, budgeting, reports, and evaluation.
- Assists with the internal development and supervision of other Finance department staff including Accounts Payable Clerk, Accounts Receivable Clerk and Assistant Finance Officer in order to improve internal capacity.
- Monitor legislation, regulations, policies, and procedures applicable to financial reporting and operations, and ensure Fort William First Nation's compliance.
- Prepare bank and other account reconciliations.
- Completes journal entries as required.
- Assists with audit and preparation of audit working papers.
- A full job description is available upon request.

Qualifications:

- Diploma or degree in accounting is required, combined with a minimum of three (3) years' experience in the accounting field. Enrolment in the Chartered Professional Accountants (CPA) program of study is encouraged.
- Experience working within First Nations management.
- Knowledge of Microsoft Dynamics would be considered an asset.
- This position will be subject to a criminal records check.

Salary:	To be negotiated.
Job Posting Closing Date:	Applications, consisting of a cover letter and resume with three (3) references, must be received by 4pm on Friday, March 27, 2020. Please direct your application to the attention of: Donna Mullen, Human Resources Assistant Ph: 807-623-9543 ext. 806, Fax: 807-623-5190 Email: donnamullen@fwfn.com When hand delivering; ensure that your application is date stamped and a copy provided to you.

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JOB POSTING

Position Title: Governance Coordinator One Year Contract

Position Description: The role of the Governance Coordinator is to plan and efficiently execute Fort William First Nation's (FWFN) three main governance initiatives: membership law; election act; and governing constitution. They will also define the project objectives and deliverables and ensure measurable outcomes which reflect Fort William First Nation's vision, traditions, culture, and values.

Major Responsibilities:

- Direct and execute community governance capacity development for the three main governance initiatives: membership law; election act; and governing constitution.
- Begin Governance strategic planning and constitution development process.
- Develop full-scale project work plan and associated communications documents.
- Develop communication strategy for FWFN Membership to ensure optimal transparency and understanding.
- Coordinate community focus groups and workshops on and off-reserve which may include: correspondence, engagement materials, travel, speakers, venues, and logistics.
- Develop and deliver progress reports and presentations to Leadership.
- A full job description is available upon request.

Qualifications:

- University degree or college diploma in the field of Political Sciences, Law, Community Development and/or Planning and Business and Administration.
- Or 5 years' direct work experience in project management capacity, including all aspects of governance and process development and execution.
- This position is subject to a criminal records check.

Salary:

To be negotiated.

Job Posting Closing Date:

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JOB POSTING

Position Title: Tollgate Worker- Seasonal Position Three (3) Part-Time Positions One (1) On-Call Position

Major Responsibilities:

- Collect toll fees, make appropriate change if needed, provide entry tickets/receipts, direct visitors and answer questions.
- Ensure daily paperwork related to visitor numbers, ticket numbers, and end of night cash deposit is complete each shift.
- Count and balance currency, coin, and cheques in cash drawers at end of shifts, and calculate daily transactions using computers, calculators, or adding machines.
- Clean/tidy toll gate building and surrounding outside area at the end of each shift.
- Other duties as may be assigned.

Qualifications:

- Ability to work well alone under limited supervision.
- Ability to interact with the public in a positive, friendly manner
- Good problem-solving skills
- Able to work evening and weekends as needed
- This position is subject to a criminal records check.

Job Posting Closing Date:	Applications, consisting of a cover letter and resume with
	three (3) references, must be received by 4pm on Friday,
	April 3, 2020. Please direct your application to the attention
	of:

Donna Mullen Human Resources Assistant P: 807-623-9543 ext. 806 E: donnamullen@fwfn.com

When hand delivering; ensure that your application is date stamped and a copy provided to you.

Fort William First Nation Band Members On-Reserve:

Due to the current situation with the COVID-19 virus, Fort William First Nation has been providing information to the community as it becomes available.

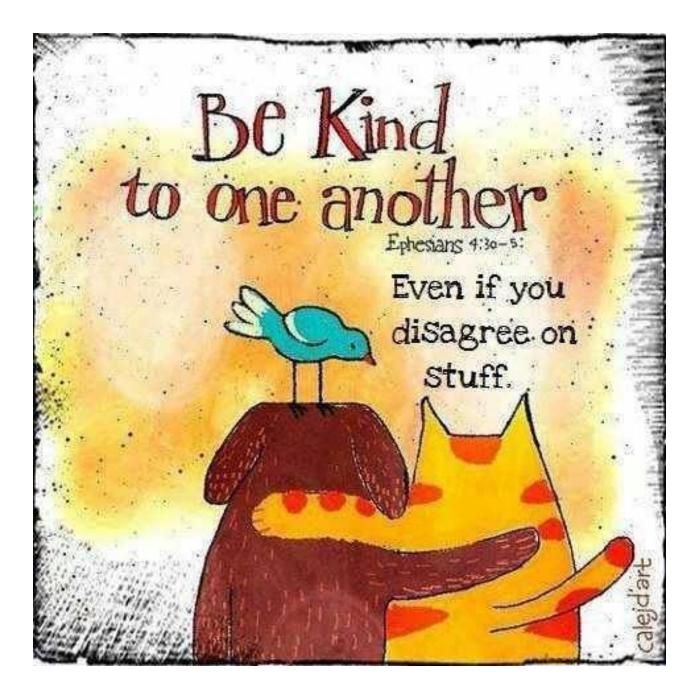
To assist us in planning accordingly we are requesting that members residing on reserve self-identify by providing the following information to the health department:

- 1. Names and addresses (on reserve) of those members who are in the following categories: members with Respiratory Issues requiring Oxygen, Elderly 60 plus, Chronic Illness, Disabilities, and those that are Pregnant.
- 2. Names and Addresses (on reserve) of Individuals who are currently on Methadone Maintenance or the suboxone Program.

This information will assist us in ensuring that we are planning for our community with the most accurate information possible.

The above information can be provided by calling the health department at 622-8802, or via email <u>healthreception@fwfn.com</u>

We appreciate your assistance in planning for our community.



DIVINE MERCY MESSAGE

IN THIS TRYING TIME OF THE CORONAVIRUS THREATENING OUR LIFE STYLE. IT IS TIME FOR US TO LOOK AT THE EFFECTS THAT ARE HAPPENING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND APPROACHING TO US FROM THE USA.

SAINT FAUSTINA ENCOURAGES US TO TURN TO THE CHAPLET FOR THE SICK AND DYING. WHY THE CHAPLET FOR THE SICK AND DYING?

ONE OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE DEVOTION THAT JESUS DESIRED SAINT FAUSTINA TO SPREAD, IS CALLED THE "DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET". HE WANTS IT TO BE OFFERED ESPECIALLY FOR SINNERS AND FOR THE DYING. JESUS IS QUOTED IN SAINT FAUSTINA'S SPIRITUAL DIARY (WHICH THE CHURCH RECOGNIZES AS BEING "AMONG THE OUTSTANDING WORKS OF OUTSTANDING LITERATURE") AS SAYING:

PRAY AS MUCH AS YOU FOR THE DYING. BY YOUR ENTREATIES [THAT IS, INSISTENT PRAYERS] OBTAIN PRAYERS IN MY MERCY FOR THEM, BECAUSE THEY HAVE MOST NEED OF MY MERCY FOR THEM, BECAUSE THEY HAVE MOST NEED OF TRUST, AND HAVE IT THE LEAST. BE ASSURED THAT THE GRACE OF ETERNAL SALVATION FOR CERTAIN SOULS IN THEIR FINAL MOMENT DEPENDS ON YOUR PRAYER. YOU KNOW THE WHOLE ABYSS OF MY MERCY, SO DRAW UPON IT FOR YOURSELF AND ESPECIALLY FOR POOR SINNERS. SOONER WOULD HEAVEN AND EARTH TURN INTO NOTHINGNESS THAN WOULD MY MERCY EMBRACE A TRUSTING SOUL (DIARY 1777)

EARLIER, OUR LORD SAID TO HER:

AT THE HOUR OF DEATH, I DEFEND AS MY OWN GLORY EVERY SOUL THAT WILL SAY THIS CHAPLET; OR; WHEN OTHERS SAY IT FOR A DYING PERSON, THE PARDON IS THE SAME (DIARY 811). MAY THE ZEAL OF OUR LORD, OUR LADY, AND SAINT FAUSTINA AND FOR THE SALVATION OF SOULS INFLAME OUR HEARTS SO STRONGLY ENCOURAGED BY OUR HOLY FATHER, POPE JOHN PAUL II, WHO, ON THE OCCASION OF THE JUBILEE YEAR GAVE HIS APOSTOLIC BLESSING TO ALL WHO PRACTICE THE SPIRITUAL WORK OF MERCY. FOR ANOTHER WAY ADOERS MIGHT PRAY FOR THE SICK AND DYING DURING ADORATION USING THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.

IN PREPARATION OF THE CORONAVIRUS HITTING OUR PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE, I INVITE EVERYONE TO COLLECTIVLEY JOIN YOUR PRAYERS AT 3:00 PM AND/OR TO SAY THE CHAPLET WHEREVER YOU ARE FOR OUR SICK AND DYING.

PERSONALLY, I WILL BE SAYING THE CHAPLET IN THE PRESENCE OF THE IMAGE OF JESUS AND THE RELIC OF SAINT FAUSTINA FOR OUR ENTIRE DIOCESE.

APOSTLE OF DIVINE MERCY