

# Weekly Newsletter for September 1-6

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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# Stay informed, follow us on:



### 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", sign and date this note and provide your phone number in case we need to contact you.
- If you have online banking, you can print out your own Direct Deposit form that is pre-populated with your name and bank account information already on it, <u>sign and date it</u>, print your address and phone number on it and mail it to FWFN Finance. Finance will not process a manually filled out/hand-written direct deposit form that is not bank-stamped and bank-dated by your branch.
- 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 **original signature.**
- 4. Please note Finance does not process any banking updates by e-mail or pictures or hand-written account information.
- 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 to the attention of Finance to release FWFN youth funds held in trust. In addition, as the Specific Claim Housing Trust administers the remaining balance of youth funds, please also contact Michael Pelletier Jr, CEO directly at cell (807) 629-0471 to arrange any payment of these youth funds due to you, you will need to provide your banking information to them directly.

# Late Banking Information – Annual Member Distributions

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

# Are You Making a Payment? \*\*NEW UPDATE Effective June 3, 2020\*\*

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 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Band Office) must issue you an official pre-numbered FWFN receipt.

\*\*Effective June 3, 2020\*\*
FWFN can accept payments by autodeposit/e-transfer from your personal smartphone banking app. You can register FWFN as a recipient by adding our Accounts Receivable email: <a href="mailto:accountsreceivable@fwfn.com">accountsreceivable@fwfn.com</a>. Please include a brief message before sending your payment such as: rent, ice rental (include organization name if applicable), invoice IVC#. A receipt will then issued to you by mail.

We can also debit/credit card\_(Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover). 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. **During the pandemic we are not processing any cash deposits.** 

FWFN Arena can process receipts if you are paying for your ice debit or credit card. The Arena no longer processes cash. FWFN Arena customers can now set up <a href="mailto:accountsreceivable@fwfn.com">accountsreceivable@fwfn.com</a> to send in an autodeposit/e-transfer payment – please include a brief reference to your organization if applicable and invoice IVC#.

Fort William First Nation – 2nd floor, Suite 200 at 90 Anemki Drive – for mailings. Questions regarding the above can be addressed to Lori Payne, CPA, CA – A/Director of Finance.



## COVID-19 - Update from Finance - Safely Reopening

In response to the Province of Ontario Stage 3 reopening effective Friday July 17, 2020, Fort William First Nation has also begun its planning at safely reopening its various operations and facilities. This will involve adapting to our new normal by implementing safety measures and resources to ensure our Community, our people, our partners and our families remain safe in order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

As Fort William First Nation continues to open slowly over the next several weeks, our response times to you may continue to be delayed and we ask for your continued understanding and patience during this time. Our Administration Office located at 90 Anemki Drive will remain closed to the public until all necessary safety measures can be implemented. There are no known scheduled dates for reopening at this time. Announcements will be made as reopenings occur.

Fort William First Nation will be following the Ontario mandatory masks in its enclosed public spaces and businesses. We are all responsible to take all necessary safety actions to help keep everyone safe such as maintaining physical distancing with one another, practicing good hand hygiene and wearing masks when in enclosed public spaces.

For more information related to safely reopening and mandatory masks, you may visit our local Thunder Bay Health Unit website – COVID-19: Reopening Our Province at: <a href="https://www.tbdhu.com/reopening">www.tbdhu.com/reopening</a> and <a href="https://www.tbdhu.com/mandatorymasks">www.tbdhu.com/mandatorymasks</a>.

Any emergency calls to the Band Office reception should be redirected to essential services staff or FWFN Emergency Response Call Centre at (807) 698-0415 or by email at <a href="mailto:COVID19@fwfn.com">COVID19@fwfn.com</a>. The COVID-19 Action Plan web page includes an Important Contact Information area also and can be found at: <a href="https://fwfn.com/covid-19-action-plan/">https://fwfn.com/covid-19-action-plan/</a>.

In addition to being a part of the COVID-19 pandemic team, Finance continues to work onsite in order to maintain continuity of essential services. Responding to COVID-19 pandemic needs and safety remains our primary focus while we continue to do our best to administer all of our Finance functions.

# Are you trying to make a payment on your account?

\*\*Autodeposit/e-transfer\*\* options now available effective June 3, 2020 – see previous page for details.

# Payments to our suppliers

During this interim period, we will continue to make our supplier and member-contractor payments as scheduled to the best of our ability, however, we are committed to responding to our COVID-19 priority needs in order to serve our Community to ensure their health and safety during this time.

If you are a member-contractor with no current banking information on hand for EFT direct deposit payment, we will be mailing your payment by cheque to you. All regular supplier payments will be processed by cheque and mailed. There will be no picking up of cheques for personal delivery in order to uphold the physical distancing requirements by public health officials. Alternatively, you may want to set up direct deposit, if so, please refer to the previous page for the correct format to submit this information to us.

# Banking updates - direct deposit forms

During this interim period, Finance will only be accepting direct deposit information by mail and by fax direct from your financial institution. Please see the previous page on the correct format.

# **Bingo Balls**

Bingo Balls applications received up to the point of the Bingo operations shutdown due to COVID-19 effective March 12, 2020, will be processed by Friday March 27, 2020. Any applications received after the Bingo Operations shut down will not be processed. Once Bingo operations resume and reopen, applications will need to be resubmitted at that time and will be processed thereafter.

Meegwetch – Stay safe and well – We are all in this together, in kindness – Your Finance Team







# BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION

Kindergarten

J.K. students will stagger their entry from September 9th to September 11th
 S.K. students will start attending daily on September 9th.

Grades 1-6

- Grade 1, 2 and 3 students will attend on September 9th and not on September 8th.
- Grade 4, 5 and 6 students will attend on September 8th and not on September 9th.

Grades 7-8

- Grade 7 students will attend on September 9th and not on September 8th.
- Grade 8 students will attend on September 8th and not on September 9th.

High schools will stagger their start as follows:

- Grade 9 and 11 students will attend on September 8th and not on September 9th.
- Grade 10 and 12 students will attend on September 9th and not on September 8th.
  - All students will start attending daily on September 10th. Students will report directly to their AM session class

Learn at Home:

Learn at home students will all begin school on September 8th, with more details to follow. For High School students, there may be limited class options available online. Students may not have a matching time table from the conventional model. Teachers teaching Learn at Home, will not be teaching in the conventional model. We will continue to update as we can. Thank you for your patience during this time.

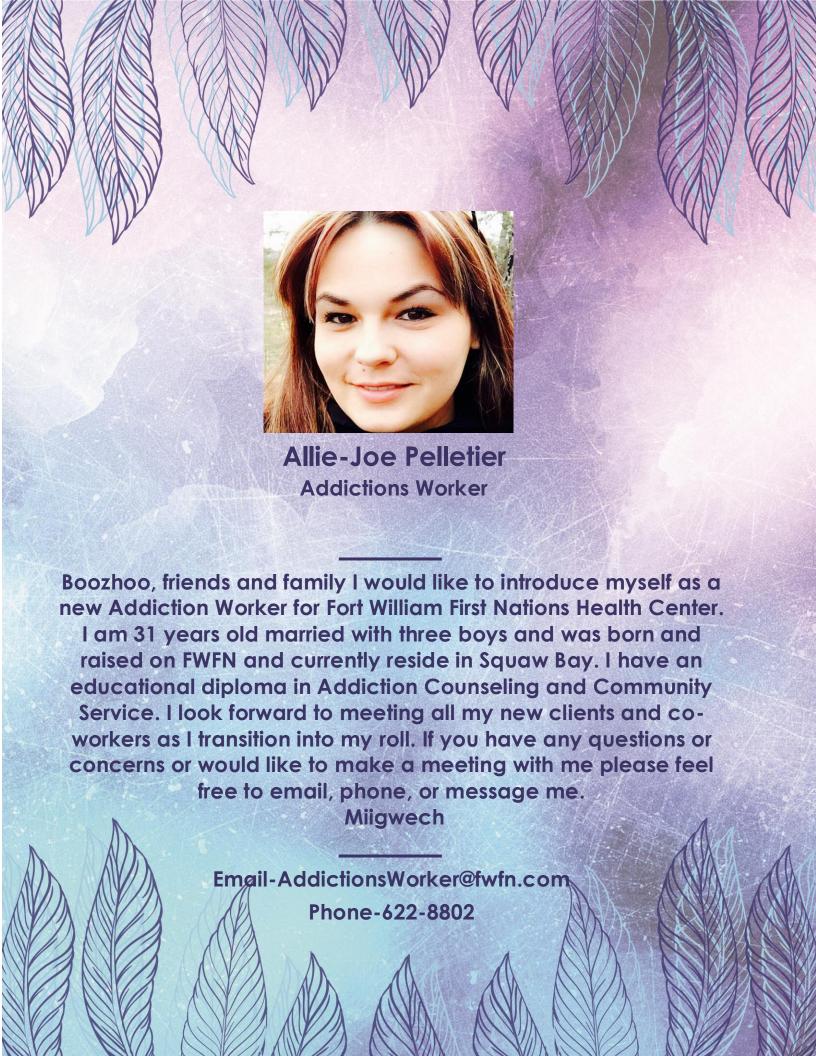
# FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING



Training will be tentatively held in September at Superior Strategies training site located on Dawson rd. Only 12 spots available on first come first serve basis, list will be ongoing as another round will be offered

Training dates to be determined and will comply with Covid social distancing policies

If you are interested in Training or re-certification contact Patrick at the Ontario Works Office @ 807-622-6791





# MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM UPDATES



Due to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) and Fort William First Nation (FWFN) offices remaining closed to the public, the FWFN Membership program is operating at a lower capacity with longer processing times:

- LAMINATE STATUS CARDS ARE CURRENTLY NOT BEING ISSUED Please
  contact Membership if you would like to be added to the call list for
  appointments when they become available. \*ISC has extended the
  validity date of status cards until further notice. All service
  providers/businesses are recommended to accept expired status cards to
  confirm eligibility for programs and services at this time.
- Secure Status Cards are still available for applications by mail to ISC. Forms
  are available to be mailed, for pick-up or by email to members if
  requested.
- FWFN Band Members are asked to please provide any contact information updates to Membership for our records (Address or phone number).
- STAY TUNED FOR FURTHER UPDATES re: COVID-19/In-office status card appointments.

Questions or concerns?

Please contact Kelsea Pelletier at Membership@fwfn.com for all related inquiries.



# \*\*\* ATTENTION FWFN STUDENTS \*\*\*

# Are you looking for a Summer Employment Experience through Fort William First Nation in 2021?

### Requirements:

- Must be enrolled in the 2020/2021 school year and be returning on a full-time basis in the Fall of 2021
- Must be between the ages of 15-18 at the start of employment
- Must have a Social Insurance Number
- Must be a Fort William First Nation Band member or community member
- Must be willing to attend and successfully complete a program of training prior to the start of employment (examples include First Aid/CPR, Health & Safety or other employment-related training)
- Parent/guardian will need to co-sign documentation for students under the age of 18 who will be participating in the program

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Fort William First Nation can assist in determining areas of student career interest(s).

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**REMINDER:** Those students who do not apply by September 30, 2020

may not be considered for employment in Summer 2021.

Please contact Alice Niemi, Summer Student Employment Coordinator at (807) 622-6791 ext. 317 or e-mail <u>AliceNiemi@fwfn.com</u> for assistance with your application.

### Advertisements for Justice of the Peace Vacancies NEW

### JUSTICE OF THE PEACE VACANCIES

### Ontario Court of Justice

At the request of the Attorney General and in accordance with the *Justices of the Peace Act*, the Justices of the Peace Appointments Advisory Committee invites applications for vacant Justice of the Peace positions in the Province of Ontario in the following court locations:

Barrie (3)	Milton (1)	Sioux Lookout (1)
Barrie (Indigenous-1)	Newmarket (4)	Sioux Lookout (Indigenous-1)
Brampton (7)	North Bay (Bilingual-1)	Sudbury (1)
Hamilton (1)	Oshawa (2)	Sudbury (Bilingual-1)
Hamilton (Indigenous-1)	Ottawa (1)	Thunder Bay (Bilingual an asset-
Kenora (1)	Ottawa (Bilingual-2)	1)
Kenora (Indigenous-1)	Ottawa (Indigenous-1)	Timmins (2)
Kingston (1)	Peterborough (1)	Toronto (2)
Kingston (Bilingual-1)		Toronto (Bilingual-1)
London (2)		Toronto (Indigenous-1)
London (Indigenous-1)		

A Justice of the Peace is an independent judicial officer who presides in court over various proceedings under federal and provincial statutes. This is a full-time appointment remunerated at \$148,962 per annum with travel within the province required.

### **Qualifications:**

Applicants must meet minimum qualifications as set out in the *Justices of the Peace Act*. Candidates must have at least 10 years of paid or volunteer experience, and:

- have a university degree;
- have a diploma or advanced diploma granted by a college of applied arts and technology or a community
  college following completion of a program that is the equivalent in class hours of a full-time program or of at
  least four academic semesters; or
- have a degree from an institution, other than a university, that is authorized to grant the degree

More information about the qualifications to become a justice of the peace can be found here.

### **Selection Criteria:**

In addition to reflecting the diversity of the population in Ontario, applicants should also display the fundamental skills and abilities, personal characteristics and community awareness attributes set out in the Committee's General Selection Criteria, including:

- 1. Skills and/or education that are clearly relevant and transferable to the work of a justice of the peace.
- 2. Work, volunteer or other experience that is clearly relevant and transferable to the duties and responsibilities of a justice of the peace.
- 3. An understanding of, and the skills, abilities, and personal characteristics applicable to, the vacancy, including the pace of court, geographic and community needs.
- 4. Awareness and understanding of the breadth and depth of the role of a justice of the peace.
- 5. Keen interest in people and humanity, including cross-cultural experience and community engagement.
- An ability to apply superior interpersonal skills in the courtroom and maintain decorum in adversarial circumstances.
- 7. A high level of achievement in the area(s) of employment and/or community service.
- 8. Experience providing functional advice, guidance and assistance to/at multiple levels of authority.
- 9. Ability and willingness to learn, substantiated through the candidate's record of life-long learning.
- Demonstrated good judgment in the face of real or perceived conflict of interest.
- 11. Proven ability and experience in making sound, practical and timely decisions with complex factors.
- 12. Proven reputation for punctuality, reliability, organization skills and preparedness.
- 13. Highly developed intellectual and analytical skills.
- 14. Demonstrated flexibility and adaptability to change.
- 15. Ability to work both co-operatively and independently.
- 16. Ability to manage people, time and resources.
- 17. Ability to present a clear, concise and well-written application that is reflective of the candidate's interest and ability.
- 18. Ability and willingness to travel as required.
- 19. Bilingual ability (if applicable). Bilingual positions require a high degree of proficiency in English as well as a Superior level of oral and written proficiency in French.

For vacancies that serve large Indigenous communities (Barrie, Hamilton, Kenora, London, Ottawa, Sioux Lookout and Toronto), Indigenous people and/or people with an in-depth understanding of Indigenous languages, history, law and communities and the issues affecting those communities are considered and encouraged to apply.

To apply for an appointment as a justice of the peace, see the current application form and instructions for completion and submission here.

This website also provides information about the advertised vacancies, the Committee's process and the roleof the justice of the peace in Ontario. Reviewing the Committee's Frequently Asked Questions may also be helpful.

Applications must be received by 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2020. Late applications will NOT be accepted.

To be informed of further vacancies, please register at: Subscribe to Vacancy Notifications (via e-mail)

Maps: Northern Ontario & Southern Ontario (PNG)

#### **DIVINE MERCY MESSAGE**

#### **PRAYER IN DANGER - PSALM 25**

TO YOU , YAHWEH, I LIFT UP MY SOUL, O MY GOD. I RELY ON YOU, DO NOT LET ME BE SHAMED, DO NOT LET MY ENEMIES GLOAT OVER ME! NO, THOSE WHO HOPE IN YOU ARE NEVER SHAMED, SHAME AWAITS DISAPPOINTED TRAITORS. YAHWEH, MAKE YOUR PATHS KNOWN TO ME, TEACH ME YOUR PATHS. SET ME IN THE WAY OF YOUR TRUTH, AND TEACH ME, FOR YOU ARE THE GOD THAT SAVES ME. ALL DAY LONG I HOPE IN YOU BECAUSE OF YOUR GOODNESS, YAHWEH. REMEMBER YOUR KINDNESS, YAHWEH, YOUR LOVE, THAT YOU SHOWED LONG AGO; DO NOT REMEMBER THE SINS OF MY YOUTH, BUT RATHER, WITH YOUR LOVE REMEMBER ME. YAHWEH IS SO GOOD, SO UPRIGHT, HE TEACHES THE WAYS TO SINNERS; IN ALL THAT IS RIGHT HE GUIDES THE HUMBLE, AND INSTRUCTS THE POOR IN HIS WAY. ALL YAHWEH'S PATHS ARE LOVE AND TRUTH FOR THOSE WHO KEEP HIS COVENANT AND HIS DECREES. FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR NAME, YAHWEH FORGIVE MY GUILT, FOR IT IS GREAT. EVERYONE WHO FEARS YAHWEH WILL BE TAUGHT THE COURSE A MAN SHOULD CHOOSE, HIS SOUL WILL LIVE IN PROSPERITY, HIS CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE LAND FOR THEIR OWN, THE CLOSE SECRET OF YAHWEH BELONGS TO HIM WHO FEAR HIM, HIS COVENANT ALSO. TO BRING THEM KNOWLEDGE. MY EYES ARE ALWAYS OM YAHWEH. FOR HE RELEASES MY FEET FROM THE NET. TURN TO ME, TAKE PITY ON ME, ALONE AND WRETCHED AS I AM. RELIEVE THE DISTRESS OF MY HEART, FREE ME FROM MY SUFFERINGS. SEE MY MISERY AND PAIN, FORGIVE ALL MY SINS.

EZEKIEL 36: 33-38 I SHALL POUR CLEAN WATER OVER YOU AND YOU WILL BE CLEANSED; I SHALL CLEANSE YOU OF ALL YOUR DEFILEMENT AND ALL YOUR IDOLS. I SHALL GIVE YOU A NEW HEART, AND PUT A NEW SPIRIT IN YOU; I SHALL REMOVE THE HEART OF STONE FROM YOUR BODIES AND GIVE YOU A HEART OF FLESH INSTEAD. I SHALL PUT MY SPIRIT IN YOU, AND MAKE YOU KEEP MY LAWS AND SINCERELY RESPECT MY OBSERVANCES. YOU WILL BE IN THE LAND WHICH I GAVE TO YOUR ANCESTORS. YOU SHALL BE MY PEOPLE AND I WILL BE YOUR GOD.

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU.

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