

ʔakisqnuq Community Newsletter July 29-August 11 2022

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Members Messages



1 - Congratulations to our new representatives; Kootenai Warrior, Michael Fisher Miss Kootenai, Ni'Ellie Yellow Horse

"My G-Baby Michael Fisher is the new Kootenai warrior. He's a member of ʔakisqnuq First Nation" - Love your grandma Virginia Fisher



MALYAN MICHEL BURSARY 2022 RECIPIENTS

We are pleased to announce
Kobe Twigg & Jordon Sam
as the recipients of the 22nd Annual
Malyan Michel Bursary.



Kobe is attending UBC Okanagan to get his BA in Psychology. He is focusing on intergenerational trauma and plans to return to the Nation to help develop programs with a Ktunaxa lens and perspective.



Jordon is attending College of the Rockies taking Business and Accounting. He plans on returning to his community of Akisqnuq and using his education to help the community.

Congratulations to Akisqnuq member Jordan Sam and we wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

Congratulations Kobe & Jordon on all your hard work and dedication!

FOUNDRAISING

KAINS/BERRY
FUNDRAISING

PURCHASE YOUR PAPAYA PLANT

Xander Berry is doing a Papaya Plant fundraising to go to a k-pop concert in Vancouver in August as her graduation celebration. She was not able to take part in Grad ceremonies. Xander's mom planted these Papaya from scratch. By donations please purchase you plant via Theresa Kains 250 420 1441 or email theresa.kains@gmail.com or stop in at the bandoffice to check them out



Xander Berry is Fundraising to do a small Grad Celebration with family by going to a K-pop concert in Vancouver in Aug.

Purchase your Papaya Plant (by donation) via Theresa Kains at the band hall or by contacting her at 250 420 1441.

BEING GOOD NEIGHBOURS & LENDING A HAND

Last wildfire season started a conversation between the Ktunaxa Nation and Skookumchuck Pulp about emergency support that resulted in 40 totes being donated.



Water totes are 'totes' awesome

Want one?

Last year, Adam and Riley (Ktunaxa Nation Council) delivered 40 water totes to Ktunaxa recipients.

The totes were generously gifted by Paper Excellence (Skookumchuck Pulp Operations) for distribution.

This year Paper Excellence is gifting 40 more totes... who wants one?

Totes are:

- Free ("First come, first served")
- Clean, but NOT for human drinking water
- Delivered to you in late August, 2022



for fire protection
for gardening
for trees
for critters
for hot tubs
& kiddie pools

*Ktunaxaniitlik living
in ʔamakʔis Ktunaxa,
please reach out to claim your
tote & arrange a drop-off time.*

**To claim your gift tote,
contact Adam Nicholas**

Operational Director, Core Services
adam.nicholas@ktunaxa.org
250 421-4674





Congratulations to Paige Nicholas and her beautiful Baby girl Carlee Rae Nasayit Sellka-Nicholas whom is part Ktunaxa and Okanagan



Congratulations to Emily and Aaron Pascas on their beautiful Baby Boy Levi - Grandma Elaine Nicholas



Small Grass Fire Actioned South of Fairmont

Members of the Windermere Fire Department (WFD) responded to a small grass fire adjacent to Kootenay #3 Road just before 6:30pm on Wednesday July 13th.

On arrival, a grass fire was found being actioned by neighbours who had called 911. WFD responded with 3 apparatus and 12 members and the fire was quickly extinguished. "While the recent rain and green grasses did slow the fire spread, the depth and degree of the fire to mineral soil was a reminder of the coming seasonal fire hazards" says Columbia Valley Rural Fire & Rescue Services (CVRFRS) Deputy Fire Chief Jon Tames.

The cause of the fire was reported to be a trailer being towed with a flat tire. Patrols were made along Kootenay #3 road with no associated vehicle or additional fires found. "We would like to thank the neighbours for their quick reporting and action on the fire and would remind people to use caution when dealing with any out-of-control fires" added Deputy Fire Chief Tames.

CVRFRS would like to remind everyone that to prevent human caused wildfires, the Province is implementing the Category 2 Fire Ban Friday at 1pm MST. Campfires less than 50cm x 50cm are still permitted but all other burning activities are prohibited.

For more information on Provincial Fire Bans and Regulations please consult bcwildfire.ca.

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Media Contact:

Jon Tames
Deputy Fire Chief - Columbia Valley Rural Fire & Rescue Services
Regional District of East Kootenay
250-342-6214

Akisqnuk photo gallery



2 - Raoni Wanuyitnamu Piq de Magalhaes-Sam



3 - Their names are Cianna Brave Rock (15), Anpa O Magazu Greycloud-Sam (13), Ta Olowan Wanzi Greycloud-Sam (12), Jorja Brave Rock (11), Raoni Wanuyitnamu Piq de Magalhaes-Sam (4).



Submit your pictures, odd and ends for the newsletter to communication@akisqnuk.org Follow and like [?akisqnuk First Nation](#) on Facebook for updates, events and more!



5 - CLB (Columbia Lake Band) softball team played in the local Invermere Ball fest tournament July 22-24 and came in 3rd place. Way to go guys.

4 - Raoni Wanuyitnamu Piq de Magalhaes-Sam



6 - Missing from last Newsletter the Indigenous Policing Ktunaxa unit Cpl. Jamie Budgell, with Invermere RCMP were part of the Little Badgers Bike Rodeo.

Upcoming

mark your calendars

- Aug. 3rd 12pm.: The 2022 Ktunaxaniñtik Nation Gathering & Traditional Powwow in ʔakisq̓nuk.
- Aug. 4th 2am - 4pm.: ʔakisq̓nuk Dr. Page Clinic at AFN. To Book appointment contact Jason Juell at jjuell@akisq̓nuk.org
- Aug 8-9th 1pm.: Kupaʔtiñ Soap Berry Syrup and Salmon Canning with Yvonn Stanley at the ʔakisq̓nuk Bandhall. All Welcome.
- Aug. 9th.: International Day of World's Indigenous People.
- Aug. 10th 9:30.: Archery Day at Alfred Joseph's Farm with our RCMP Jamie and Monte. All are welcome.
- Aug. 11th.: Seabird Mobile Diabetes Team clinic at ʔakisq̓nuk health center. contact Jason Juell at jason.juell@akisq̓nuk.org to make an appointment.
- Aug 12-18th.: Yaqañ Nuki Cultural Connection camp. Woodbury Resort Ainsworth BC. Registration ynheritage@gmail.com Aug. 15th.: Ktunaxa Youth Summit at the Dan Joe Memorial.
- Aug. 18th 2am - 4pm.: ʔakisq̓nuk Dr. Page Clinic at AFN. To Book appointment contact Jason Juell at jjuell@akisq̓nuk.org
- Aug 19 - 23rd.: Youth Salmon Warriors Camp, Ages 18 - 29. To apply, submit a paragraph about yourself and your connection to salmon to Troy Hunter at troy.hunter@ktunaxa.org. Spaces limited.
- Aug 26th 5pm.: ʔakisq̓nuk's Got Talent and dinner at the Columbia Lake Rec. centre.
- Aug 27-28th 9am.: ʔakisq̓nuk AGA.
- Aug 30th 10am - 2pm.: Shingles Vaccine Clinic at AFN health center. Free for members who are 65+ with FNHA Benefits. Contact the KNC clinic at 250 420 2700 to make an appointment.

We Invite You To Attend
**The 2022 Ktunaxaniñtik
Nation Gathering &
Traditional Powwow**



**WELCOMING THE NEWBORNS, CELEBRATING THE
GRADUATES, BRINGING FAMILIES TOGETHER &
REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES THAT PASSED ON**



**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2022
12:30PM
7AKISQNUK FIRST NATION
(RECREATION CENTRE)**

12:30PM | Lunch Will Be Served
1:30 PM | Welcoming/Opening by an Elder/MC
2:00- Gift distribution for the graduates & newborn babies.
**5:00PM | Presentations & Memorial honouring. Celebration for
education, sobriety and sports.**
5:00PM | Dinner Will Be Served
7:00PM | The Powwow Will Commence (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

AWESOME LINE-UP OF DOORPRIZES!

OUR SPONSORS:

POWWOW SPONSORED BY TECK COAL
GIFTS FOR THE GRADUATES & NEWBORN BABIES
SPONSORED BY KKFSS
MEALS SPONSORED BY THE KNC SOCIAL SECTOR
OTHER SPONSORS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT A LATER
DATE.

No Drugs or Alcohol

Poster Created & Revised by: Brett Capilo
Please Contact the Following Organizers for More Information
Tanya Francis-Stanley- Tfrancis@ktunaxa.org
Brett Capilo -BCapilo@aqam.net
Lillian Rose - lillianrose363@gmail.com
Donations Are Being Accepted.



Kupa?ti?

SOAP BERRY SYRUP & SALMON CANNING
WITH YVONNE STANLEY

249-377-5933

AUG 8 & 9 1PM

BANDHALL. ALL WELCOME



**ARCHERY DAY
WITH RCMP INDIGENOUS
POLICING KTUNAXA UNIT**

**AUG 10 2022 9:30AM AT
ALFRED JOSEPH'S HOME
AGE 10+
ALL WELCOME**

Seabird Mobile Diabetes Team

Where: AFN Health Center

When: August 11, 2022

Contact: Jason

Number: 250-342-6379



Living · Well · Together

Clinic Notice

Who Is It For:

People Living with Diabetes
People Who Are Curious About It

What The Appointment Includes:

Testing Blood Sugar and Cholesterol Levels
Checking Kidney Function
Testing For Diabetic Eye Changes
Diabetes Education



CULTURAL CONNECTION CAMP

sponsored by YAQAN NUKI PEOPLES HERITAGE
SOCIETY (LKB)

Woodbury Resort -
Ainsworth B.C.

August 12-18

KNOW WHO YOU ARE

**LEARN SO YOU CAN
TEACH**

JOURNEY BACK TO YOUR ROOTS

Registration open now ynheritage@gmail.com

**Activities include: Beading, Hide Tanning,
Drumming, Elder Circles, Cultural Films,
Sturgeon-nosed canoe, Tule matt
construction, Fishing, Bonfires, Kootenay
Lake Mapping Project, Exhibits, Stick games,
Tule Teepee
Community Dinner each evening**

LEGEND LAKE TOURS

Northern Legends - by reservation only

Ktunaxa Youth Summit



LOGO ART BY
LAZ LOUIE, YAQAN NU?KIY

LEADERSHIP THEME

August 15
Aqam
Dan Joe
Memorial

August 16
St. Eugene
Pavilion

If you have
already
preregistered
in April, please
send an email
confirmation.



The Ktunaxa Nation Council Youth Summit is for participants from
15 to 25 years old.

Register by August 5, 2022

to get your SWAG and a chance to win

The SUPER SECRET GRAND PRIZE.

CONTACTS BRANDON.HUNT@KTUNAXA.ORG
ANDREW.FLETCHER@KTUNAXA.ORG



The Columbia River Salmon Reintroduction Initiative

BRINGING *the* SALMON HOME

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?atł su?kiniř swaqmu

Tspelq'entém re Sqlélten



spaces
limited!!!

syilx okanagan, secwépemc, ktunaxa

YOUTH SALMON WARRIORS CAMP

AGES 18-29

AUGUST 19-23, 2022

@ the headwaters of the mighty columbia river

CREATIVITY this three-nation gathering is bringing youth together to explore

VISION our interconnection and resiliency as salmon people - to learn,

LEADERSHIP to imagine, and to dream our salmon home

To apply: send in a paragraph telling us a bit about yourself and your connection to salmon.

syilx okanagan youth

Carrie Terbasket

cterbasket@gmail.com

ktunaxa youth

Troy Hunter

troyd.hunter@ktunaxa.org

secwépemc youth

Valerie Michel

crt@shuswapnation.org



AKISQNUK FIRST NATION

THE COMMUNITY IS THE MEDICINE

A Strength-based & Culturally Rooted
Approach to wellness

Facilitated by Darien Thira PhD.,
Registered Psychologist

AUGUST 22-24 • 9 AM - 4 PM
AKISQNUK BANDHALL

The community and its families are rich in gifts and culture. This workshop will identify the social wound that underlies community issues and explore a cultural "cure" rooted in Traditional values and strengths. If you are interested, RSVP with Patsy Nicholas (pnicholas@akisqnuq.org) or Jason Juell (jjuell@akisqnuq.org)



SO YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT TALENT?

?AKISÓNUK'S GOT TALENT

AUG 26, 2022 | 5PM | COLUMBIA LAKE REC.
CENTRE



2022 ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FRI AUG.26 5PM- DINNER & 7AKISQ'NUK'S GOT
TALENT

SAT AUG.27 -8AM 7AKISQNUK AGA
7PM POW WOW

SUN AUG.28 - AKISQNUK FINANICALS &
FAREWELL BREAFAST

SAVE THE DATE

2022 KTUNAXA NATION

AGA Annual General Assembly

You're Invited!

All Ktunaxa Citizens are
Encouaged to Attend

September 28 - 29, 2022

in

~ Yaqan Nu?kiy ~

MORE DETAILS SOON!
AGA@Ktunaxa.org



KTUNAXA
NATION

Ktunaxa Excellence Awards Call for Nominations

Let's celebrate our successes

The form is also available online [HERE](#)

This is a fillable form, so people can download the PDF and type their information into it as one option.

(It can be printed and filled in by hand instead, etc.)

Applications can be sent by mail, fax or email to:

Ktunaxa Nation Council 7825 Mission Road Cranbrook, BC V1C 7E5

Attn: Ktunaxa Citizen's Excellence Awards Email: Lynn Armstrong ... liarmstrong@ktunaxa.org Fax:

250-489-2438

Columbia Valley Vital Signs Survey

The Columbia Valley Community Foundation has launched the 2022 Vital Signs Survey. The survey results, combined with data from multiple other sources will be their base for the 2022 Vital Signs Report. Last published in 2018, Vital Signs is a community check-up measuring the vitality of our communities and trends related to quality of life in the Columbia Valley. The result is a Vital Signs report which provides a comprehensive look at how our community is faring. You can view the 2018 report by [clicking here](#).

The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. You will also have the option at the end of the survey to enter a draw for a helicopter tour for 4!

Visit this link to take the survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CVFVS2022>



For akisqnuq artists and photographers to submit



Weekly Family
SUMMER
Fun Together
Contest

**HAVE FUN AS A FAMILY TO WIN WEEKLY
PRIZES AND A GRAND PRIZE WORTH
\$300!!!**

**SIGN UP AND GET A FREE FAMILY ACTIVITY KIT
THEN TAKE A PHOTO EACH WEEK FOR YOUR
CHANCE TO WIN**

**Text to sign up 250-464-9365
OR EMAIL
TARA.DELAIRE@KTUNAXA.ORG**



Logo Design Contest

Calling all
Ktunaxa
Artists

grand
prize
\$500

Are you a *Ktunaxa* artist and interested in a *creative challenge*?

2022 Ktunaxa Business Showcase
Logo Design Contest

Event Theme

Ktunaxa Economy, Self-Sufficient,
Ktunaxa Entrepreneurs & Collaboration

Deadline

July 29th, 2022

Prizes

Grand prize of \$500. All submissions will receive a recognition gift

Questions / Submissions

Shane or Jose @ (250) 489-2464
Economic@Ktunaxa.org

Visit KtunaxaHakqiyit.org/KBS for more details

We will accept digital or traditional material (paper/canvas)



SCAN AND SEE
WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

AKISQNUK QUILTING PROJECT



**AKISQNUK IS GATHERING PEOPLE'S SQUARES
TO MAKE A COLLECTIVE QUILT IN HONOR OF
THOSE WHO ATTENDED RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL,
WERE PART OF THE 60'S SCOOP OR IN HONOR
OF THE MURDERED/MISSING INDIGENOUS
WOMEN GIRLS/BOYS**



**SEND A PICTURE OF YOUR LOVED ONE THAT
ATTENDED RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL, WERE APART
OF THE 60" SCOOP AND/OR A PART OF THE
MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS TO
GAYLE MICHEL GMICHEL@AKISQNUK.ORG**



**OR DECORATE A SQUARE (10INX10IN) WITH
WHATEVER MAY INSPIRE YOU (PAINT, BEAD,
DRAW, STITCH ETC.)
SUBMIT YOUR SQUARE BY MAIL TO:
PATSY NICHOLAS AT 3050 HWY 93/95
WINDERMERE BC V0B 2L2**

13 - Honor Quilt



Akisqnukniks submit your summer pictures to communication@akisqnuuk.org for the next newsletter



14 - Newsletter



**Sport and Recreation
potential photo trophy wall**



Submit your photos to communication@akisqnuuk.org with Subline Rec.photo project

The poster features a background of a mountain range at dusk or dawn, with a dark blue sky and a colorful, multi-colored ribbon (rainbow) flowing across the top right. The text is overlaid on a dark blue horizontal band at the top and a semi-transparent white box in the center.

**KEY CITY
THEATRE**

Art Gallery

CALL FOR ARTISTS!

Key City Theatre is grateful to live, work, play and create on the traditional and unceded territories of the Ktunaxa peoples.

In the spirit of reconciliation, we are extending an invitation to local First Nations, Inuit, and Metis artists to utilize our art gallery space for the month of September into October 2022.

Check out our website to know more!



CALLING ALL INDIGENOUS ARTISTS

Ktunaxa Kinbasket Child and Family Services Society (KKCFSS) is currently working on giving a new face and name to our current Prevention Services Programming.

Prevention Services is made up of various program areas, including Early Years, Family & Youth Support, Youth Justice, and Wellness.

The goal of Prevention Services is, through voluntary family-based and culturally-centered programming, ensuring Indigenous children, youth, and families have the supports needed to thrive to their fullest potential.

KKCFSS VISION STATEMENT:

All services provided by KKCFSS are delivered to all people in a culturally relevant manner regardless of their cultural descent. KKCFSS strives to serve the Aboriginal (First Nation, Metis, and Inuit) population within the Ktunaxa Traditional Territory in a culturally relevant and holistic manner.

KKCFSS MISSION STATEMENT:

KKCFSS is committed to working collaboratively with Indigenous children, youth, families, and their communities, to increase their ability to fulfil their responsibility for caring for their children in a culturally relevant manner.

PLEASE SUBMIT
QUESTIONS AND LOGO'S TO:
Chelsea.Cross@ktunaxa.org
For more information on KKCFSS,
check out our website at:
www.kkcfss.org

LOGO'S SHOULD INCORPORATE KKCFSS
MISSION/ VISION STATEMENT
AS BEST AS POSSIBLE

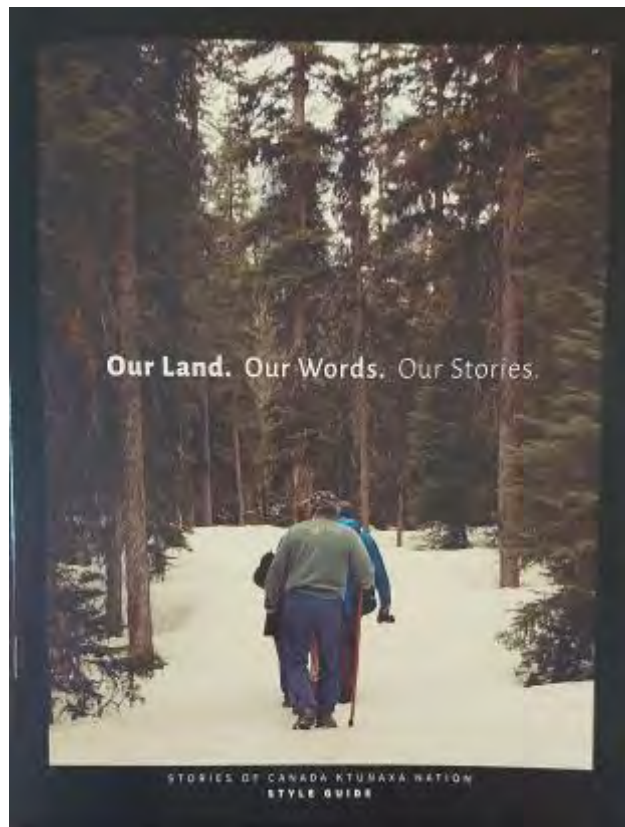
FIRST PRIZE:
\$50 AMAZON GIFT CARD & APPLE iPad
SECOND PRIZE:
AN APPLE iPad & SWAG BAG



Ktunaxa Kinbasket
Child & Family
Services Society

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS: SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2022

Ktunaxa Legacy Publication in the works through Parks Canada



Lillian Rose is collecting submissions for the Ktunaxa Legacy Publication project.

Please reach out to have your story idea, article, photo or artwork included!

Contact Lillian Rose Traditional Knowledge and Language Coordinator

Cell 250 342 1635

lillian.rose@ktunaxa.org

Pioneer article on the project

<https://www.columbiavalleypioneer.com/ktunaxa-legacy-publication-in-the-works-through-parks-canada/>

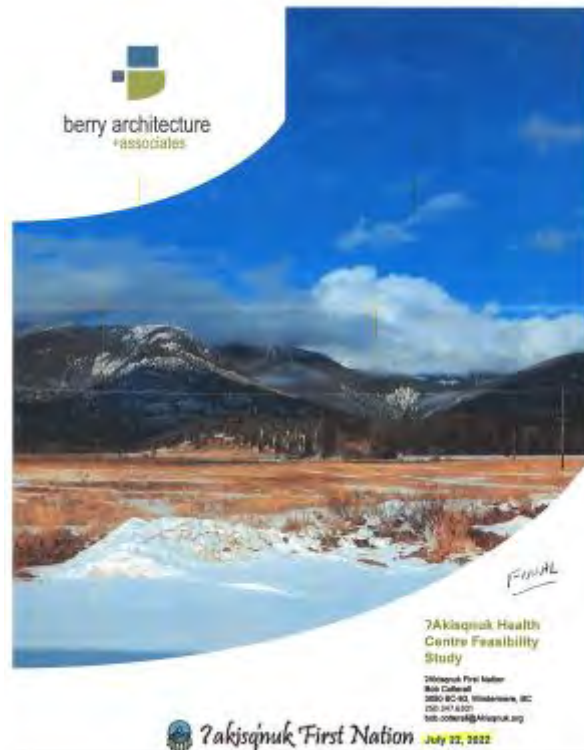
Reminders & Notices



Social Development update

Job Search documentation and Monthly Renewal Applications need to be submitted to Brittany Murphy email: brittany.murphy@akisqnuq.org Due the 15th of every Month

Health Center Feasibility Study Update



It is with Pleasure that I submit the Final Version of the above noted health Center report. With the submission of the Report, I would like to add the Following Comments.

The health Center will be part of what we call the Mult-Purpose Center. The Center will comprise the renovations of a new Band Office and a connecting, welcoming Atrium. The intent of this new Center is to be not only a health Center but a Center of inviting to the Community a place of support, security adhering not only to Health matters but also administration matters and a place to mingle and visit. The atrium will be designed to open an Elders area and with important artifacts and historical data bring about a sense of Pride and belonging. This Project is the "GO FORWARD " for the Community Members.

We look forward to FNHA comments and I want to thank members of the Architectural Community and the Steering Committee for their excellent guidance and hard work.

You can find it on the akisqnuq website

<https://akisqnuq.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/54184/?preview=65173>

If you have any comments or concerns contact Bob.

--- Bob Cotterall, Akisqnuq Project Manager,

Phone: 250342 6301 ext.3824

Email: bob.cotterall@akisqnuq.org

Housing update



AKISQNUK HOUSING
PRESENTATION

203 SUBDIVISION INDOOR RENOVATION

JULY 27, 2022



Akisqnuq Housing Intern Bobby Morgan



AKISQNUK HOUSING VISION

All akisqnuq first nation members must have
the opportunity to access adequate, suitable
and affordable housing

If you like to get a copy of the presentation contact Dale Shudra Akisqnuq Housing Manager:
dale.shudra@akisqnuq.org or 250 342 6301 ext 3808 or can find on the akisqnuq website

<https://akisqnuq.civicweb.net/document/65178/>

AFN housing Applications

[Housing applications](#)

Reminder to akisqnuqniks that **AFN has a matching Home grant** that all akisqnuqnik may apply up to \$8000 to assist AFN members in their housing goals.

[Complete application](#) and submit to Dale Shudra dale.shudra@akisqnuq.org



Dr. Page Clinic

Aug .4th & 18th is the next clinic. Contact RN Jason Juell for booking and more information at jjuell@akisqnuk.org

Seabird Mobile Diabetes Team clinic

Aug.11.: Seabird Mobile Diabetes Team clinic at ʔakisq̓nuk health center. contact Jason Juell at jason.juell@akisqnuk.org to make an appointment.

Shingles Vaccine Clinic

Aug 30 10am -2pm.: Shingles Vaccine Clinic at AFN health center. Free for members who are 65+ with FNHA Benefits. Contact the KNC clinic at 250 420 2700 to make an appointment.

Foot Clinics

Contact RN Jason Juell for booking and more information at jjuell@akisqnuk.org.

Chiropractor*

ʔakisq̓nuk Members may book your Chiropractor appointment at Invermere Family Chiropractor at 250-342-9666

Massage*

ʔakisq̓nuk members may book your massage with Lynn Birkett, Rising Sun massage therapy in Radium at 250 341 5668.

Non Coverage Medical*

ʔakisq̓nuk members living in BC have Pacific Blue Cross Coverage.

If your needing assistance with medical expenses that are not covered contact the ʔakisq̓nuk Health Manager Patsy Nicholas for assistance at pnicholas@akisqnuk.org

Medical Appointment Transportation

If you need assistance with transportation to health appointments contact health staff to make arrangements at 250 342 6379.

COVID

Do you have questions about boosters shots. Below is the most recent from the BC government website. It is near the bottom where it says who can get a 2nd booster and who is eligible.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/booster#second>

*If you like to see someone else or are living off reserve keep/submit receipts for reimbursement or to make other arrangements contact Health Manager Patsy Nicholas at pnicholas@akisqnuk.org.

Learning something new



BCWF
B.C. WILDLIFE FEDERATION
ESTABLISHED IN 1974

B.C. WILDLIFE FEDERATION PRESENTS

Wetland Health Assessment Workshop

Register Now!
July 26 - 29, 2022

Join the B.C. Wildlife Federation over 4 days for this hands-on workshop to learn about wetland classification, plant ID, performing health assessments, and more!

Cost: **NO CHARGE!** (valued over \$100)

Contact: Alyssa Purse - Wetlands Education Program Manager
WEP@bcwf.bc.ca or 604-882-9988 ext. 239

This workshop is held in partnership with:

This workshop is made possible with the financial support from the following organizations:





[An Indigenous End-of-Life Guide course is now offered by Douglas College and the FNHA](#)

This program is ideal for First Nations and Indigenous people wanting to deepen their understanding of how to assist people who are facing their end of life journey. The four day online course is for First Nations and Indigenous individuals who have been or will be called upon to voluntarily provide care, support and advocacy for someone who is facing the end of their life.

To apply for the course in your area, complete an application form and return to FNHA:
Email: homecare@fnha.ca | Fax: 604.666.0275

Interior Applicants (Kamloops): October 17th-20th 2022

Each participant who completes the four-day course will receive a Recognition of Course Completion.

If interested please contact Jason, Patsy, or Danny at the Health Center.

Employment Opportunities

Akisqnuq First Nation

check out <https://akisqnuq.icompasscms.com/content/employment-and-contracting>
for full descriptions

- **Land Referrals Coordinator** This opportunity is open to Akisqnuq First Nation Members and to Ktunaxa Citizens only. Please submit your interest to Hany Hafez, Human Resources Generalist at hhafez@akisqnuq.org
- **Water Operator Trainee** This opportunity is open to Akisqnuq First Nation Members and to Ktunaxa Citizens only. Please submit your interest to Hany Hafez, Human Resources Generalist at hhafez@akisqnuq.org
- **Project Manager Trainee** This opportunity is open to Akisqnuq First Nation members only. Please submit your interest to Hany Hafez, Human Resources Generalist at hhafez@akisqnuq.org
- **Administrative Assistant (Health)** You may submit your application by directly to Hany Hafez, Human Resources Generalist at hhafez@akisqnuq.org
- **Registered Forest Technician** You may submit your application directly to Hany Hafez, Human Resources Generalist at hhafez@akisqnuq.org
- **Community Wellness Facilitator** You may submit your interest directly to Hany Hafez, Human Resources Generalist at hhafez@akisqnuq.org

Ktunaxa Nation Career Opportunities in the territory checkout KNC Careers for [Bids for Contracted Services](#) and [current postings](#)

Check out **Ktunaxa Nation Education and Employment** on Facebook for jobs and career opportunities Phone: 1 250 489 2464 Or checkout the website for [list of services](#)

Employment opportunities with EJLCS

- Support Worker
- After school Coordinator

To apply or for further information, submit Cover Letter and resume, including references by August 12th to:

Carrie Rickards

General Manager,

Email: carrie.littlebadgers@gmail.com



Employment Opportunities with Kettle River



- Certified Fusion Technician HDPE Pipe
- Civil Construction Supervisors
- Construction Labourer
- KRC Operators
- Safety Personnel
- Site Administrator
- Surveyors and Surveyors leads

Send Resume to info@kettleRivercontracting.com

Employment opportunities with KEL



- Accounting Technician
- Bookkeeper
- check out <https://ktunaxaenterprises.ca/careers/> for full discriptions

Employment Opportunities With Interior Health

- Health Career Access Program (HCARecruitment@interiorhealth.ca)
- Support Service Workers (SupportServicesRecruitment@interiorhealth.ca)



ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

The Health Career Access Program (HCAP) is a paid work and training initiative for individuals seeking an entry point to employment in health. New hires will start as a Health Care Support Worker (HCSW) providing non-direct care at a long-term care, assisted living or home health site and receive paid training to become a Health Care Assistant (HCA) upon successful completion of the program.

The HCAP typically requires six to 12 months of full-time post-secondary education. Through HCAP, the province will pay for your post-secondary education while helping to place you in an entry-level job within the care sector. You are required to sign a 12 month Return of Service Agreement in exchange for this funding.

LOCATIONS THAT OFFER THE HCAP PROGRAM

Some of the locations where we have offered training opportunities include:

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Chief and Council Meetings



Band Meeting

TBD

Chief and Council

There are no Regular schedule meetings in August. Resume regular meetings September 7th.

Deadline to submit items to Chief and Council Agenda is always the Friday before.

Deadline is September 2nd for September 7th Chief and Council.

Contact Executive Assistance Karen Vargas karen.vargas@akisqnuuk.org to request to be on agenda or if you have any questions.

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?Akisq̓nuk Elders Committee

August 30 2022, 10 am AFN Band Hall and Zoom.

Usually Last Tuesday of the Month

All members over 60 are welcome to attend or log in.

To add or to be added to the agenda and to get zoom link contact *Administration Assistant Brittney Murphy* at brittney.murphy@akisq̓nuk.org

Ktunaxa Nation Council, Traditional Knowledge and Language (TKL) Elder's Advisory

1st Wednesday of Every month. Next meeting is August 3rd 2022.

Contact Barbara Fisher for agenda items, information (location for in-person) and/or Zoom link at barbara.fisher@ktunaxa.org

SEM Call for Directors



Call for SEM Resort Ltd. - Directors

- 5 yr term
- Be of good character, credibility, and reputation.
- Be business-minded with business experience
- Qualify as a director under the legislation of the relevant jurisdiction
- Criminal Record Check



Position: SEM Resort Ltd. - Directors

Reports to: St. Eugene Mission Holdings Ltd. (HoldCo)

Number of Vacant Positions: To be determined

Term Length: 5 years

Qualifications:

To qualify as a director of the Resort, the individual must:

- Be of good character, credibility, and reputation.
- Be business-minded with business experience
- Qualify as a director under the legislation of the relevant jurisdiction
- Criminal Record Check

The Board of Directors of a Resort Business will not consist of a majority of any of the following:

- Senior executive officers of Ktunaxa Nation Council Society (KNCS) including chair, chief administrative officer, chief executive officer, chief financial officer, directors of corporate sectors, or other similar KNCS offices
- Administrative or executive assistants to any senior executive officers of KNCS
- Directors of KNCS

The SEM board of directors and any Future Operating Business board of directors must be well-rounded, and the following knowledge and experience will be considered:

- legal
- accounting/financial
- investment
- business/industry ownership or operations
- business connections/relations that benefit Community Shareholders' economic development
- marketing

Obligations:**SEM and Future Operating Businesses Must do Business Planning**

- SEM must develop and maintain long-term business plans, long-term strategic plans (addressing how to implement the business plan) and annual operations plans for SEMLP business.
- The board of directors managing the relevant business will approve its own long-term business and strategic plans
- The directors SEM and any Future Operating Businesses will update the relevant long-term business and strategic plans on an annual basis for their own approval.
- SEM must promptly provide a written copy of each approved long-term business and strategic plans, and all amendments and updates to those plans to Holdco.

Meeting and Reporting

Directors of SEM must report quarterly to Holdco;

- Quarterly SEM Resort Ltd meetings – or as needed based on business requirements
- Each calendar year there will be one annual meeting of the Resort Business Group, within 120 days of the fiscal year end of SEMLP.

Honorarium

Each Director will receive \$500 per meeting.

Please submit your cover letter and resume to:
Sandra Van Steijn - svansteijn@st.eugene.ca
Shawna Vokey - shawna.vokey@ktunaxa.org
CLOSING DATE: SEMLP Annual Meeting
(October 2022)

Ktunaxaniítik Did you know?



KTUNAXA
NATION

In 1981, Ktunaxa Chiefs Chris Luke, Sr., Linda Gravelle, Paul Sam, Randy McNab, and Ktunaxa Councillor Florence Alexander, signed the Kootenay Nation Land Claim and Declaration.

The Declaration was an expression of our sovereignty during a time when Ktunaxa were hugely ignored and our rights denied by Canada and the outside world.

The Ktunaxa Nation Lands and Resources Council has called for the renewal and update of the 1981 Kootenay Nation Land Claim and Declaration in today's language, to be informed by our values and responsibilities, recognize previous leaders while also re-affirming the 1981 version.

A large part of this is engaging with Ktunaxa People.

To find out more, please go to the KNC Hakqyit site at: <https://ktunaxahakqyit.org>.

There, you will be able to review the original 1981 document and other resources.

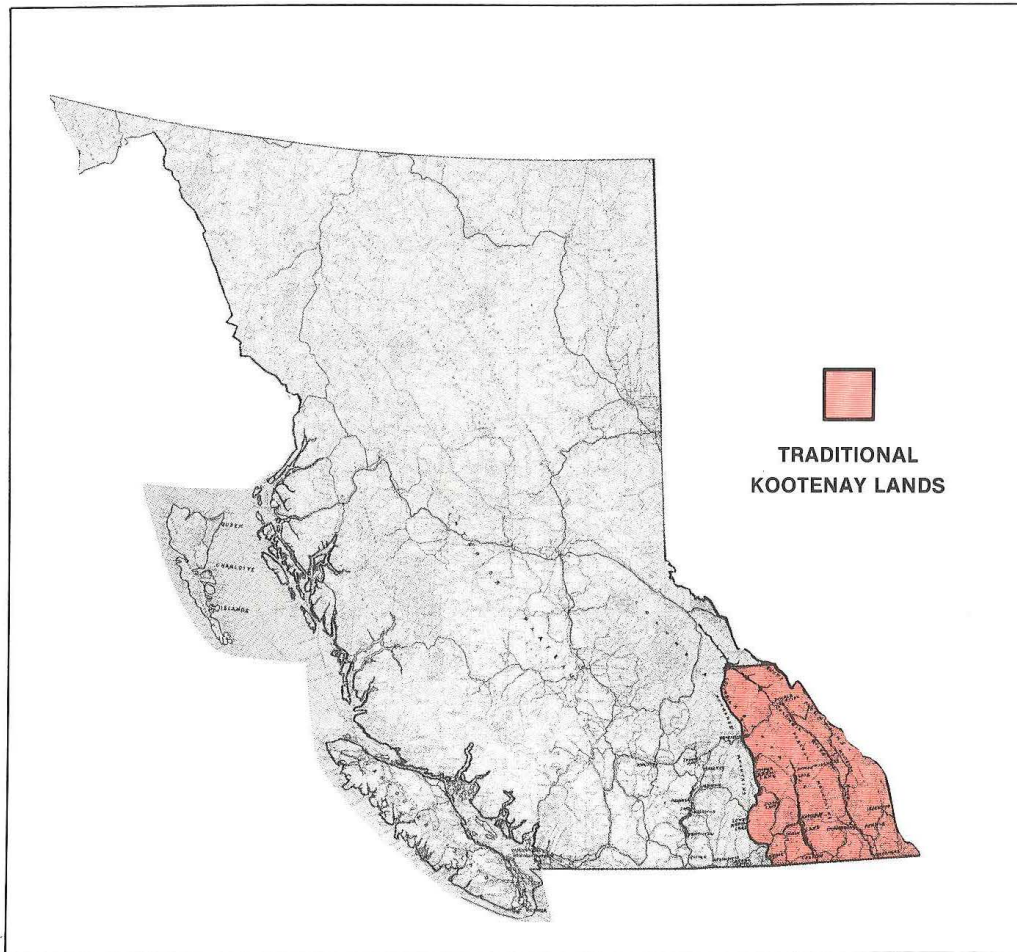
Please note, this project is open to Ktunaxa only, therefore people need to register in order to access it.

If you have issues registering, please contact engage@ktunaxa.org.

For more information about the project, please contact Melissa Teneese at: MRTeneese@Ktunaxa.org

Phone: 250-489-2464 Ext: 4060

Kootenay Nation Land Claim and Declaration



We, the Kootenay Nation, consisting of the various bands of Kootenay, have since a time in the vast geological distance, occupied those lands adjacent to the Kootenay River: from the Big Bend of the Columbia River north of Donald station; thence southerly, including all of the Kootenay Sinuosities, to that part of Montana, U.S.A., known as Elmo; thence westerly to the Bonner's Ferry area of Idaho, U.S.A.; thence northerly to the upper arrow lakes area of British Columbia, Canada; thence easterly across the Big Bend of the Columbia River to the summits of the Rocky Mountains ...

We, the Kootenay Nation, have suffered, endured and survived a multitude of injustices.

The greatest injustices we as a people have tolerated is the disruption of our inalienable right to sovereignty. Initially we experienced the blatant encroachment of the first Europeans; later the oppressive and opprobrious reserve life; lastly, our sovereignty has become a mockery giving us only token recognition. This last is an especially offensive affront to our collective sensibilities.

The Kootenay Nation defines "Aboriginal Title", which this claim is based upon, as the right to retain ownership of so much of their traditional lands, and under such terms, as to ensure their independence and self reliance, traditionally and socially, and the maintenance of whatever other rights they have.

Through the long years of our historic past, we, as a people have kept our internal sovereignty alive. The sovereignty of our oral traditions, our spiritual beliefs and the language of our parents and their parents have stood fast, giving little ground to the trespasses, - and prevailed.

In the past, we were larger in number, thus indicating that our forefathers utilized a great area of land. The land was consecrated and respect was enshrined upon the earth. It is not an impossibility that the Kootenay people used and occupied a greater area of land extending north to the present site of the City of Edmonton, Alberta, and south to the U.S. City of Missoula, Montana.

It is evident that the area claimed by the Kootenay Nation is presently used and will continue to be used.

The land has been altered. In many cases neutered. The cities give credence to the lifelessness of the land. This was not our way. We must be included in the decision making of our future. The development of the resources should include the people who display sensitivity to the land.

It is our intent to establish a positive relationship with the provincial and federal government. It is our desire that this relationship be founded in mutual trust. Upon this trust we will create the conditions needed for serious and thoughtful negotiations. From our discussions a complimentary respect will develop and grow. A bountiful harvest will occur. Economic development, self education, land use and conservation, Indian government and much more will attest to the equitable fruits of our negotiations.

**THE KOOTENAY NATION HAS DEMONSTRATED PATIENCE!
THE KOOTENAY NATION'S ABORIGINAL RIGHTS HAVE NEVER BEEN
EXTINGUISHED!
THE KOOTENAY NATION HAS NEVER ENTERED INTO ANY TREATIES WITH ANY
GOVERNMENT!
THE KOOTENAY NATION DEMAND LEGAL RECOGNITION AS THE FIRST
OCCUPANTS OF THIS LAND!**

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE MEMBER BANDS OF THE
KOOTENAY INDIAN AREA COUNCIL, ON BEHALF OF OUR PEOPLE, EMPOWER THE
COUNCIL TO CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS PURSUANT TO THIS CLAIM ON OUR
BEHALF.

Florence Alexander Councillor
for the ST. MARY'S BAND

Chief Chris Leake
for the LOWER KOOTENAY BAND

Chief Linda Gravelle
for the TOBACCO PLAINS BAND

Chief Nancy McLeod
for the COLUMBIA LAKE BAND

Chief Paul Co
for the SHUSWAP BAND

Stephie Pierre
CO-ORDINATOR for the KOOTENAY INDIAN AREA COUNCIL

Presented this 8th day of JULY, 1981.

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