



File Hills First Nations Police Service

Coalition for Canadian Police Reform
547 Wilkin Pl NW
Edmonton, AB, Canada

Attention: Mr. Dave Cassels, President

Dear Mr. Cassels :

First, on behalf of the File Hills Police Service Board of Police Commissioners, I wish to congratulate you and CCPR on the excellent publication, "*Trust and Transformation Report*", which provided a comprehensive research focus and recommendations on cultural competency training for police services in Canada. Our hope is that the report will have a positive impact on police training across Canada and provide another plank in the platform that supports reconciliation between Indigenous people and mainstream Canada.

Our Board supports the current CCPR application for a project that is designed to educate and refresh police services on Indigenous culture and historical knowledge through participation in a cultural learning event. If the application is successful, Board and community Elders would be honored to participate as a partner in the delivery of one of the events.

The FHFNPS and the RCMP in surrounding detachments have positive working relationships and will all benefit from a focus on cultural competency. The FHFNPS serves the Little Black Bear, Starblanket, Okanese, Peepeekisis and Carry the Kettle First Nations. RCMP Detachments at Fort Qu'Appelle and Southey serve the Piapot, Muscowpetung, Pasqua and Standing Buffalo First Nations. The RCMP Detachments would be invited to participate in this event as part of a regional approach to more effective community policing. An invitation may be extended Regina Police Service, another of our partners, since many of our community members live in Regina and are impacted by police relationships.

Again, our Board supports this important project and looks forward to participating in the cultural event.

Yours sincerely,

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