January 30, 2026 Weekly Flyer

WE'RE HIRING



OPEN POSITIONS:

- **Child & Youth Worker** (Full-Time) - **Deadline:** Monday, February 2, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. ***At this time, we will only accept internal employees and Band Members.***

- **Planning & Infrastructure Clerk** (**Full-Time**) - **Deadline:** Monday, February 2, 2026 4:00 p.m**. *At this time, we will only accept internal employees and Band Members.***

- **Project Manager** (Contract 10 months) - **Deadline:** Monday, February 9, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. ***At this time, we will only accept internal employees and Band Members.***

- **Early Childhood Educator Assistant** (Full-Time) - **Deadline:** Wednesday, February 11, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

APPLY NOW!

Complete job postings can be accessed on the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek website
https://atikamekshenganishnawbek.ca/employment-tenders/
Please submit resume by email to employment@wlfn.com



YOUTH ROUND DANCE

Join us for a Youth Round Dance to close our Oshki-zaagakiiwag Nitaawigi'angwaa (Roots and Rising) Youth Conference!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2026
7:00 P.M. - 12:00 A.M.
HOLIDAY INN

1696 REGENT ST, GREATER SUDBURY, ON P3E 3Z8

EVERYONE WELCOME

Emce: Allan Manitowabi
StickMan: Dion Syrette
Pipeman: Darren McGregor
Invited Singer: Rodney Stanger, Bryden Kiwenzie (Gwiss), Carson Beega, Taymor Day, and Jose Santose (Koonsie)

PRIZES

5 ribbon skirts and 5 ribbon shirts for spot dances!

Gift Cards!

For more information, please contact Charles Petahtegoose at anishnaabemowin.helper@wlfn.com

MAAMWESYING
NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES INC.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE

GRAND *Opening*

WAASAKWA CHILDREN'S CENTRE

FEBRUARY

MONDAY 9 11:00 A.M.

2026

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek members are invited to join us for the grand opening of the Waasakwa Children's Centre **at 11:00a.m., followed by an open house from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on February 9, 2026!**

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek members are welcome to come in, tour the Centre, and learn more about the program!

For more information, please contact
Amanda Rose at WaasakwaELC.manager@wlfn.com

LEGAL UPDATE SESSION #2

We invite all Debendaagziwaad to attend this information session for an important update on two of the outstanding legal cases that Atikameksheng Anishnawbek is engaged in.

This session will focus on the BOUNDARY CLAIM and the RHTLF ANNUITIES CLAIM - GO FORWARD PHASE . Come and join us for an informative session that will cover the key aspects of these legal challenges.

The BOUNDARY CLAIM AND RHTLF ANNUITIES CLAIM - GO FORWARD PHASE will feature legal representative, Ryan Lake, from Maurice Law.

February 12th, 2026 @ 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Community Centre. Dinner will be served at 5:00 pm
A virtual meeting link is in the Members Portal.
Please contact public.relations@wlfn.com for assistance with the Members Portal.

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NOTICE

On January 16, 2026, the Robinson Huron Treaty Litigation Fund issued a release stating that they will intervene in Atikameksheng Anishnawbek's Boundary Claim.

Gimaa and Council understand that our members are awaiting our response. A formal response for our members is being crafted and will be shared when appropriate.

A Legal Update session on the Boundary Claim and the RHTLF Go Forward Phase is planned for FEB 12, 2026. More information will be shared at this session.

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January 28th, 2026

Band Member Interim Grant Program

The Band Member Interim Grant Program provides a onetime, nonrepayable grant of $15,000 to eligible Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Members. The purpose of this grant is to help Members meet immediate needs in priority areas such as housing, health, education, employment, public safety, and other community approved priorities. This grant is being offered as short-term support while the Aadizokaanag Legacy Trust still being finalized. The grant does not need to be repaid and does not affect your eligibility for future Atikameksheng programs or benefits.

Eligibility Criteria:
The Band Member Interim Grant Program is intended to benefit Members who meet the criteria below.
You are eligible to benefit from this program if you meet all of the following conditions:

- You were alive on December 17, 2025; and
- You were a Member of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek as of December 17, 2025, based on the legislation in effect on that date, including Members who:
- were registered on the Indian Register; or
- had applied for Indian Status on or before December 17, 2025, and were entitled, under the legislation in force at that time, to be added to the Members List; and
- You are approved for Indian Status and added to the Members List within the applicable timelines under federal legislation, including applications made on behalf of minors or mentally incapable persons.

Important:
If an eligible Member was alive on December 17, 2025, and has since passed away and not applied for their grant, their estate is eligible to apply on behalf of the member.

Timeline

- **February 2, 2026 – Application forms available on the Members Portal, Band Office and Community Hub**
- **March 27, 2026 - Application Deadline**
- **April 16, 2026 - Payments issued**

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Band Member Interim Grant Applications

When providing your supporting documents, please DO NOT include original documents.

You can submit the Interim Grant form and supporting documentation to any of the following:

1. BY MAIL

Administration Office
Attn: Band Member Interim Grant, Teresa Migwans, DOF
25 Reserve Road
Naughton, Ontario
P0M 2M0

2. BY EMAIL

grant@wlfn.com

3. DROP OFF

Administration Office
25 Reserve Rd, Naughton, ON, P0M 2M0
Atikameksheng Community Hub
66 Elm St, Suite 103, Sudbury, ON, P3C 1R8
Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday 8:00am-4:00pm
Lunch Hour closed 12:00pm-1:00pm

Band Member Interim Grant Distribution Team

For General questions or for one-on-one support, please contact Pam Naponse-Corbiere at 705-692-3651 ext. 1106.

For online support of your emailed submission, please contact either:
Erica Carisse at 705-692-3651 ext. 1115
Garnet Manitowabi at 705-692-3651 ext. 1129

For any suggestions and concerns, please contact the following staff:
Teresa Migwans at 705-692-3651 ext. 1114
dof@wlfn.com

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Upcoming Band Meetings

Please see the schedule for the remaining Band Meetings in the fiscal year.

Regular Band Meeting will begin at 1 pm until 4:30 pm.

Band Member Concerns will be heard at 6:00 pm.

All virtual links are posted in the Members Portal under the Band Meeting link.

Governance Band Meeting - February 10th
Administrative Band Meeting - February 24th
Governance Band Meeting - March 10th
Administrative Band Meeting - March 24th

COMMUNITY NOTICE: BLASTING ACTIVITY

Please be advised that controlled blasting operations will be conducted in the area as part of on-going construction.

📍 Location: Atikameksheng- Wiijiiwaagan Miikana

📅 Starting Date: January 30, 2026- March 27, 2026

⏰ Time: Daylight hours

During this period, residents may experience loud noise, ground vibration, or dust. These blasting activities will be carried out by licensed professionals and in accordance with all applicable safety regulations.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your patience and cooperation as this necessary work is completed.

Any inquiries should be directed to Ross Assinewe- Director of Planning & Infrastructure

director.planning-infra@wlfn.com

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Business Park Lease Extension Community Session

The next community information session will be held on:
February 3rd at 5:00 PM in the Atikameksheng Community Centre.

Refreshments will be served at **5:00 pm.**

A virtual link is available in the Members Portal.

GMS and the Lands department will make presentation materials available on the members' portal for review.

Your voice matters. These sessions are designed to ensure every member has the opportunity to understand, ask questions, and help shape the future of our Business Park.

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NOTICE OF VOTE

Exemption to the Land Code

Notice is hereby given to the members of the **Atikameksheng Anishnawbek** that a Vote will be held at a meeting of members to determine if eligible voters approve an exemption to the Land Code, allowing the Business Park to hold a lease longer than 25 years.

An exemption to the Land Code has been requested with regard to the maximum term of the commercial lease, in order to grant the Business Development Park a head lease term of 60 years. This requires an exemption to the Land Code. To explain and discuss this request, two community information sessions were held last July and last October.

According to the Land Code, "community approval at a *meeting of members* must be obtained for (…) any grant or disposition of interest or license in any First Nation land exceeding a term of twenty-five years (art 12.1)." "Decisions at a *meeting of members* are to be made by a majority vote of the eligible members present at the meeting" (art. 13.1).

A third community engagement session is planned.
When: **Tuesday, February 3, 2026** 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Where: **In-Person:**
Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Community Centre
35 Reserve Road
Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88179984232?pwd=EykU0YW9nFRkE27ly9a2Eh1oOn1aOX.1
Meeting ID: 881 7998 4232; Passcode: 799149

For more information contact:
Thomas Assinewe, Director, Lands Department, Email: director.lands-enviroment@wlfn.com; Cell: 705.626.2304

The Meeting of Members and the vote will take place
When: February 11, 2026, from 5 pm to 8h30 pm
Where: **In-person:**
Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Community Centre
35 Reserve Road
Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81896044407?pwd=CZWyC380cGywf4nAcqlHkRxF5GalJe.1
Meeting ID: 818 9604 4407; Passcode: 996747

There are two options for an eligible voter to cast a vote; only one vote will be counted:

1. **Online Voting** https://www.onefeather.ca/nations/atikameksheng-anishnawbek
   Begins: 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, February 11, 2026
   Closes: 8:15 p.m. Wednesday, February 11, 2026
2. **In-person Voting at the Meeting of Members**
   Day: Wednesday, February 11, 2026
   Time: 5:15 – 8:15 p.m.
   Where: Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Community Centre

The following Ballot Question will be asked of the Voters of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek by secret ballot:

As an eligible voter of the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek, do you:

agree to approve an exemption to the Land Code, allowing the Business Park to hold a lease longer than 25 years, whereby the Business Park's head lease would be 60 years.

The votes will be counted at the Community Complex immediately after the close of the Poll. To be valid, **a simple majority** (50% plus 1 of ballots cast) of at least 6% of all eligible voters will need to vote in favour of approving the Land Code exemption. The results will be declared immediately following the count.

Given under my hand this 9th day of January 2026.

Vaughn Johnston

Vaughn Johnston
Ratification Officer
Cell/Text: 1.906.379.8796
Email: vaughn_johnston@hotmail.com

Robinson Huron Treaty Territory
ANISHINAABEMOWIN BEBAA BMIIKANGIK JI-BI-AANJI-BIMAADZIIMGAK NAAKINIGEWIN
Anishinaabemowin Revitalization Strategy
Community Engagement Session

Anishinaabemowin Revitalization has been identified as a top priority across our Robinson Huron Treaty (RHT) territory. This was highlighted during extensive engagements with RHT band members, both on and off reserve, regarding the potential use of a portion of the compensation funds from the RHT Settlement for community purposes.

This session will take place on
Monday, February 9th, 2026 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
at the Atikameksheng Community Centre
Supper will be served at 5:30 pm.

We invite you to join us in welcoming the RHT Anishinaabemowin Revitalization Strategy team to our community. They will provide an overview of the community engagement work related to the Anishinaabemowin Revitalization Strategy and, most importantly, seek your input and guidance on the strategy.

Gchi Miigwetch!

A Virtual Link will be in the Members Portal
Please contact execasst.cao@wlfn.com for any questions.

BYPASS ROAD PROJECT UPDATE

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek is pleased to announce that the Bypass Road Project has been officially awarded to Denis Gratton Construction Ltd.

Project Details

- Project: Bypass Road Construction
- Contractor: Denis Gratton Construction Ltd.
- Start Date: January 5, 2026

Benefits to Our Community

- Improved safety & access
  - Reduced traffic through residential areas
  - Safer and more efficient routes
- Employment opportunities
  - Opportunities for community members during construction
- Supporting local businesses

Community Engagement & Local Opportunities

We plan to host a local job fair for the community in the Spring of 2026. Please sure to check out the Weekly Flyer or our social media and App for!

- Shop Local

Contractors are strongly encouraged to shop local and utilize community businesses and services as construction proceeds.

Stay Informed

More updates will be shared as the project progresses, including timelines, employment opportunities, and traffic notices.

Contact

For more information, please contact Teresa Kwakwa-Danso, Project Manager, at project.manager@wlfn.com.

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January 7th, 2026

2nd Per Capita Distribution Submission Process

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Administration is collecting information to execute the 2nd Per Capita Distribution.

Important Dates:

The following timeline has been approved to ensure orderly processing and verification.

First Distribution Cycle

- **January 23, 2026 – Deadline to apply for the first distribution**
- **February 5, 2026 – Bank test for first distribution**
- **February 12, 2026 – First distribution payment issued**

Second Distribution Cycle (if you missed the first deadline)

- **February 27, 2026 – Deadline to apply for the second distribution**
- **March 12, 2026 – Bank test for second distribution**
- **March 19, 2026 – Second distribution payment issued**

Third (Final) Distribution Cycle (if you missed the second deadline)

- **March 31, 2026 – Deadline to apply for the third (final) distribution**
- **April 9, 2026 – Bank test for third (final) distribution**
- **April 16, 2026 – Third distribution payment issued**

Later distributions will take place periodically.

Additional Information

- Payments will be made by direct deposit or wire transfer, consistent with the method selected in the application.
- Bank testing is required prior to each distribution to reduce errors and delays.
- This 2nd PCD does not affect eligibility for any future distributions or trust benefits.

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2nd PCD Form Submissions

When providing your supporting documents, please DO NOT include original documents.

You can submit the PCD form and supporting documentation to any of the following:

1. BY MAIL

Administration Office
Attn: 2nd PCD Submission, Teresa Migwans, DOF
25 Reserve Road
Naughton, Ontario
P0M 2M0

2. BY EMAIL

pcd2@wlfn.com

3. DROP OFF

Administration Office
25 Reserve Rd, Naughton, ON, P0M 2M0
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66 Elm St, Suite 103, Sudbury, ON, P3C 1R8
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Lunch Hour closed 12:00pm-1:00pm

RHT PCD Distribution Team

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Debendaagziwaad Border Crossing Travel

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek is issuing this notice to ensure members are aware of recent developments in the United States involving U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the possible impacts on First Nation and Indigenous travellers. International treaties and current U.S. Federal law recognize the legal right of Indigenous individuals to freely cross the border.

Debendaagziwaad planning to travel to the United States are encouraged to take additional precautions at this time. Please ensure all identification is valid, carry your Status Card when crossing the border, and bring a valid Canadian passport. Keeping citizenship documentation current and accessible can help reduce delays or complications during travel.

Debendaagziwaad may also request a letter in support travel needs from Administration. This document would verify community membership and residency and may offer added reassurance when travelling across the border. To request a letter, please contact Membership Clerk, Wanda McQueen, at 705-692-3651, ext.1112.

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Lorraine Naponse
Chief Executive Officer

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ServiceOntario

Niigaaniin - Service Ontario will be at 39 Reserve Road from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on

February 9, 2026

They will also be available at the Atikameksheng Hub from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. on

February 10, 2026

Please bring the following:

- One piece of government ID
- Your expired health card/drivers license

NIIGAANIIN

Renew your health card and or drivers license and benefit from the new MTO services at Niigaanin Services Mobile ServiceOntario Trailer!



MAAMWESYING
NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES INC.

Traditional Health Program *Presents*



Patricia Toulouse is an Ojibwe Mother and Grandmother of Sagamok Anishnawbek. A graduate in Human Services, practices Earth Medicines, and treats ailments by individual symptoms. A Traditional Medicine Practitioner for Maamwesying works with the communities of the North Shore, which include Thessalon, Sault Indian Friendship Center, Garden River, Batchewana, Mississaugi, Serpent River, Sagamok and Atikameksheng First Nations to provide a Traditional Approach to medicine for Community Members. This focuses on your overall Health & Wellness or your health issues. Please stop by the health centres if you are in the area to meet with her or if you would like more information.

2026 Schedule for Atikameksheng Anishnawbek

February:	**4th**
March:	**4th**
April:	**15th**
May:	**6th**
June:	**3rd**
July:	**8th**
August:	**12th**
September:	**9th**
October:	**7th**
November:	**4th**
December:	**9th**

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YOUTH SPEAKER SERIES

Join us for the Youth Speaker Series, an Anishinabek Education System event celebrating the voices, talents, and life experiences of inspiring Indigenous youth from across the AES. Hear their stories of growth, achievement, and cultural identity as they uplift and empower their communities.

JOHN & DEANNE HUPFIELD



ABOUT JOHN & DEANNE

Dr. John Waaseyaabin Hupfield (he/him) is Anishinaabe, Marten clan, and a member of Wasauksing First Nation. Hupfield's research is rooted within his work as a grassroots community based educator, teaching powwow alongside his partner Deanne Hupfield, to urban Indigenous folx in Toronto over the past 15 years. As a grass dancer, he travels extensively to powwows across the Anishinabek nation, and Turtle Island. His work looks at 'powwow as place', one of critical importance for Anishinaabeg, where personal learning and cultural knowledge are integrated through song, movement and land.

FEBRUARY 2ND, 2026

Join us on February 2nd, 2026 from 3:00pm to 4:00pm as they share their journey in education and dancing!

REGISTRATION

To register, and submit a question to John and Deanne, please scan the QR code and complete the form.

For more information please contact the Youth Initiatives Coordinator
Kaelyn.Pizzale@a-e-s.ca

ANISHINABEK EDUCATION SYSTEM

ELDER'S TRIP FUNDRAISER DAY

HELP US SEND OUR ELDERS TO BANFF

Community Complex

Saturday, February 7th, 2026

From 10am - 3pm

BINGO !!!



From 11am - Noon

$10.00 Per Card

TACO SALE !!!



From Noon - 1:30pm

$15.00 a plate

50/50 TICKETS



Tickets Drawn at 2:30pm

$5.00 per ticket

5/$20.00

CAKE WALK !!!



From 1:30pm - 2:30pm

PENNY TABLE !!!



From 2:30pm - 3:00pm

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Healing the Heart

Join our **OSHKAABEWIS,** Brandon Petahtegoose, in a safe and compassionate space to share, listen, and support one another through the journey of grief and healing.

Every THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH.

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Health Boardroom

Back entrance of the Band office

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Scone and soup available!

Tie pillows for craft!

Next Date: February 18, 2026!

For more information, please contact Josephine Onwuegbuzie at mentalhealth.coordinator@wlfn.com

SAVE THE DATE

WINTER CARNIVAL

Join us for our annual Winter Carnival!!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026
COMMUNITY CENTRE
10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Pancake Breakfast
Skating/Skills Competition (dependent on ice conditions)
Bouncy Castle
Family Games
Sliding
Soapbox Derby Contest
And more!!

More details to come!

For more information, please contact Jason Smallboy at events.coordinator@wlfn.com



Chili CONTEST

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek members! Join us for a Chili Contest and put your best recipe to the test! Whether your chili is spicy, sweet, smoky, or totally unique, we want to taste it!

FREE TO ENTER!
PRIZES FOR 1ST 2ND AND 3RD PLACE!

Rules:

- Chili must be home made, no packaged bases'
- Chili must be dropped off at Community Centre for judging by 12pm Sunday, February 22, 2026
- Containers must be labelled with First and Last name and contact information

If you're interested in participating, please contact Jason Smallboy at events.coordinator@wlfn.com

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE WINTER CARNIVAL ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026!

For more information, please contact events.coordinator@wlfn.com

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SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek members!! Think you've got what it takes to turn snow into a masterpiece? Grab your friends, bundle up, and show off your creativity by participating in our snow sculpture contest!

To enter:

- Submit a picture of your sculpture with your name to Jason Smallboy at events.coordinator@wlfn.com **by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2026**

Requirements:

- Snow sculpture must be made of snow and ice
- Sculptures can be decorated with food colouring
- Basic tools can be used to make the sculpture

1ST 2ND & 3RD PRIZES!!!

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE WINTER CARNIVAL ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026!

For more information, please contact events.coordinator@wlfn.com



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SOAPBOX DERBY CONTEST

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek members ages 0-21!! Think you've got the fastest, coolest, or most creative ride on the hill? Build it, decorate it, and race it in our Soapbox Derby Contest at the Winter Carnival!

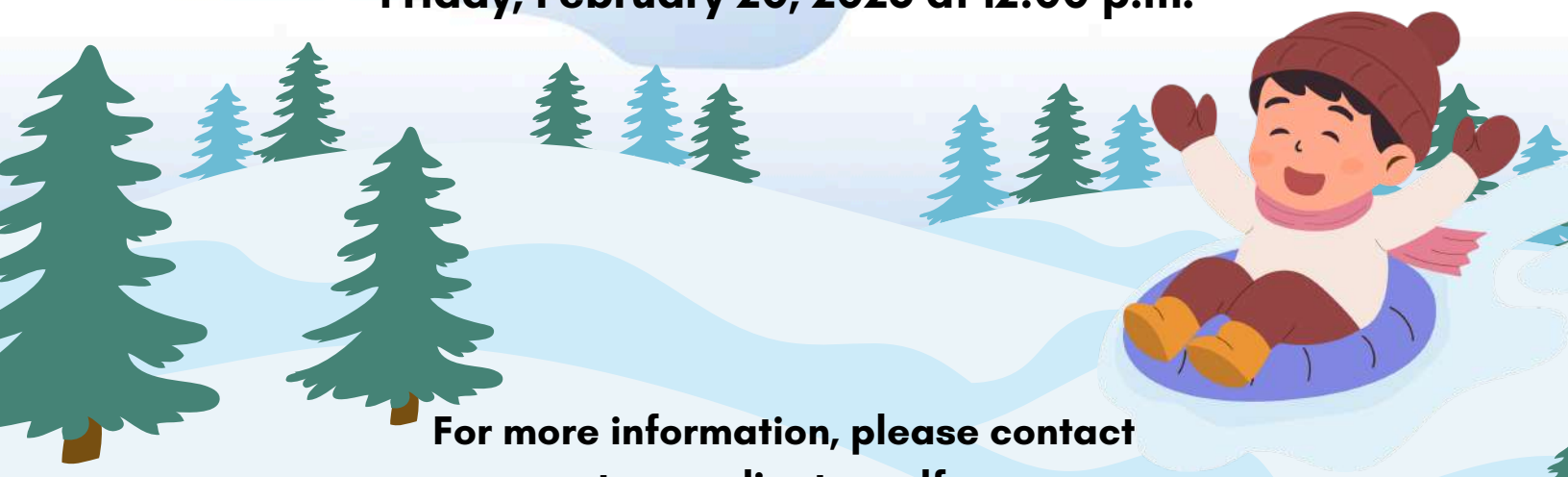
Rules:

- Participants must be 21 years old and under
- Soapbox/slide must be entirely made of cardboard
- Basic materials such as tape, glue, way glue can be used
- No epoxy or resin shall be used in the construction of your soapbox/slide
- No more than two people per team
- You may decorate your soapbox/slide with paint, marker, and/or stickers
- All riders must wear a helmet during the competition
- All competitors must meet at Mable's Hill on Sunday, February 22 at 2:00 p.m.
- Winners will be announced at the Winter Carnvial on February 22, 2026

PRIZES FOR

- **FASTEST**
- **FURTHEST DISTANCE**
- **MOST CREATIVE**

If you are interested in participating, please register with Jason Smallyboy at events.coordinator@wlfn.com by Friday, February 20, 2026 at 12:00 p.m.



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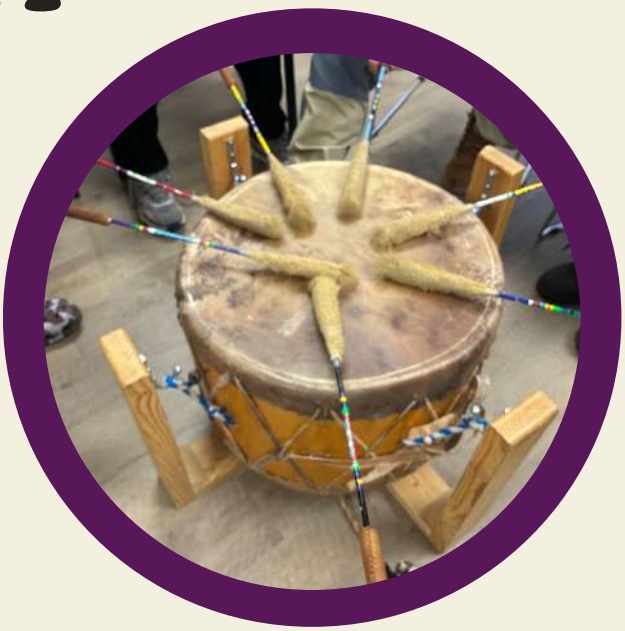
2026 WINTER DATES FOR

BIG DRUM

NIGHT



FEBRUARY 2, 9

MARCH 2, 9, 16, 23

5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Open to all!
Parents and caregivers welcome.

Refreshments available.

Kendaasii-Gamik
(Library)

LOCATION CHANGE

For questions or concerns please contact Brandon at oshkaabewis@wlfn.com

SEWING POUCH WORKSHOP



Ages 18 +, join the Family Support Worker, Rosella, to sew a pouch!

Wednesday, February 4, 2026
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Community Centre

For more information and to sign up, please contact Rosella at family.support1@wlfn.com

CCP: Chapter 1-To re-establish our Anishnawbek cultural and spiritual practices and ceremonial life in the heart of our Nation.

VALENTINE CRAFT

LEATHER ROSE

AGES 18+, JOIN THE FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER, ROSELLA, TO MAKE A LEATHER ROSE!



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026

1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

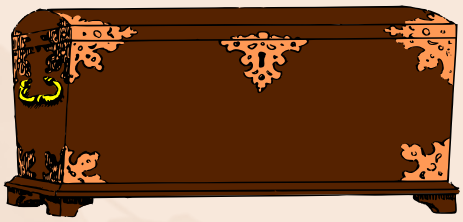
KENDAASII-GAMIK (LIBRARY)

For more information and to sign up, please contact Rosella at family.support1@wlfn.com

CCP: Chapter 1-To re-establish our Anishnawbek cultural and spiritual practices and ceremonial life in the heart of our Nation.

Honoring Our Little Lights Programming

Jewelry Box Wood Burning
Saturday, January 24, 2026
@HBHC
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Jewelry Making: Bracelets &Necklaces
Saturday, January 31, 2026
Atikameksheng Kendaasii-Gamik (Library)
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Hair, Makeup, and Nail tutorial
Saturday, February 7, 2026
Atikameksheng Kendaasii-Gamik (Library)
1:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.

Pre-registration required
For more information please email or call
family.violenceprevention@wlfn.com
249-377-8743

WALKING THE JOURNEY TOGETHER

Peer Support - Community Connection - Shared Growth

When: February 10, 2026

Time: 5-7pm

Location: Community Centre

$50.00 GIFT CARD AVAILABLE TO THE FIRST 30 REGISTRANTS!

HELP US ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS WITH YOUR LIVED EXPERIENCES

1. **When you think back to your healing or recovery journey, what was most helpful to you in the early stages?**
2. What kinds of support made you feel safe rather than judged or pressured?
3. **What helped you stay motivated or hopeful during setbacks or relapses?**
4. What role did culture, ceremony, land, Elders, or spirituality play in healing—if any?
5. **If you were building a toolkit for a peer support buddy, what must be included?**
6. What boundaries were important for you or your supporter to have during recovery?

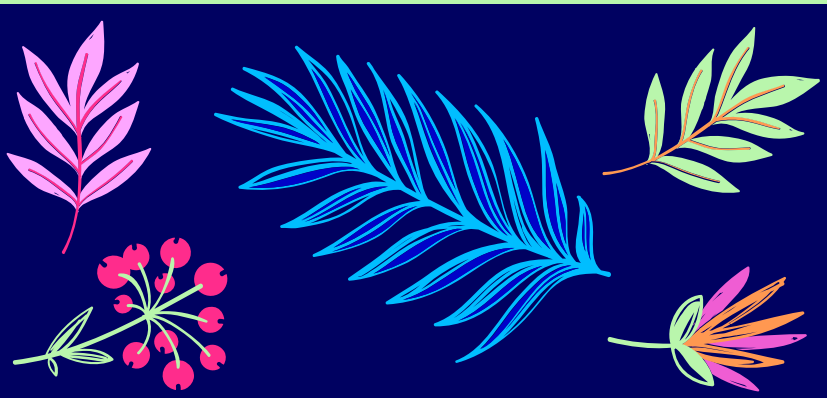
JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF ENCOURAGEMENT, SUPPORT, DISCUSSION AND DINNER!

To register please contact Autohm Beland, Addictions Wellneness Coordinator

705-918-3902

addictions.coordinator@wlfn.com

RECLAIMING OUR CAREGIVING



• 10, 17, 24 • **FEBRUARY, 2026**
• 3, 10, 24 • **MARCH, 2026**

• 6:30PM-8:30PM •
TUESDAYS FOR 6 WEEKS

• BAND OFFICE ATIKAMEKSHENG •
25 RESERVE ROAD

A SAFE SPACE TO LEARN AND GROW! AS A GROUP, WE WILL EXPLORE PARENTING TECHNIQUES, CHILD STAGES & BEHAVIOURS, AND BUILDING OUR SKILLS.
Weekly Draws – Door prize on the last session!
Light Snacks and Beverages

FACILITATED BY MEGAN ESPANIEL
HOSTED BY Family Support Worker

NO CHILDCARE PROVIDED
LIMITED SPOTS – PLEASE REGISTER!

Open registration starting on January 26, 2026
CONTACT ROSELLA @ 705-918-3907 OR
FAMILY.SUPPORT1@WLFN.COM

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FINISH YOUR PROJECT NIGHT

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek members ages 18 and Up! Join Rosella, Family Support Worker, to finish any unfinished projects that you have! Please bring your own materials.

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Community Centre

Coffee and tea will be provided! If you'd like to share some snacks, feel free to bring them!

For more information, please contact Rosella at family.support1@wlfn.com

CCP: Chapter 1-To re-establish our Anishnawbek cultural and spiritual practices and ceremonial life in the heart of our Nation.



LOCAL ARTIST DIRECTORY: CALL-OUT FOR ARTISTS & CREATORS

Are you an artist or creative entrepreneur from **Atikameksheng Anishnawbek**?

The Community Skills Development Program is creating a **Local Artist Directory** to showcase and promote local talent within our community.

This directory will be:

- Featured on the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek website
- Shared with partners, organizations, and proponents seeking local artists
- Used to connect artists with opportunities such as markets, commissions, workshops, and cultural events

WHO CAN REGISTER?

- ARTISTS
- CRAFTERS
- MAKERS
- CREATIVE ENTREPRENEURS
- CULTURAL KNOWLEDGE HOLDERS

(All art forms welcome!)

HOW TO REGISTER

SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT:
forms.office.com/r/YE85Pi8a1U

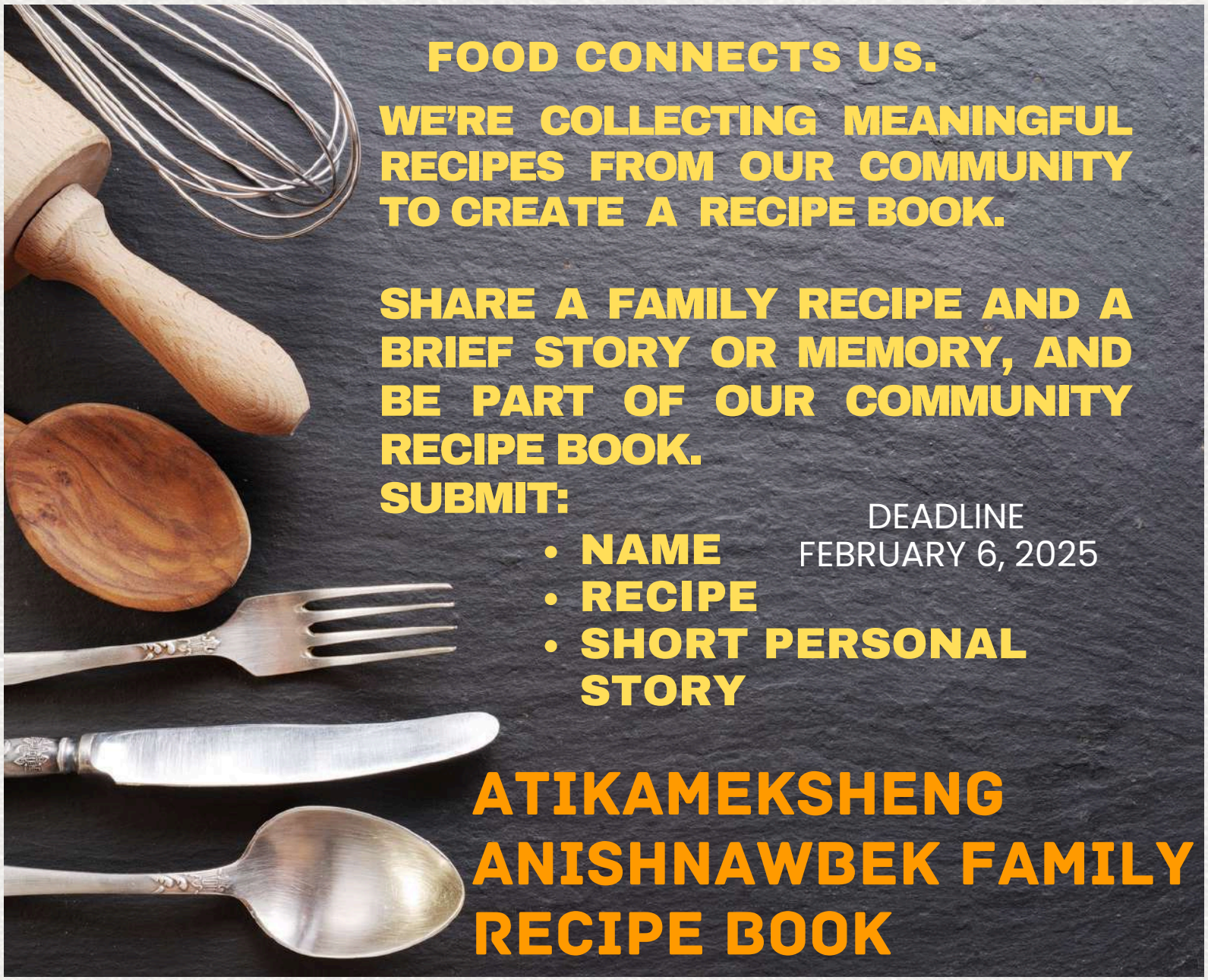
FOR MORE INFORMATION

Tiana Wabegijig,
Community Skills Development Manager

cdm@wlfn.com

CALL OUT FOR RECIPES





FOOD CONNECTS US.

WE'RE COLLECTING MEANINGFUL RECIPES FROM OUR COMMUNITY TO CREATE A RECIPE BOOK.

SHARE A FAMILY RECIPE AND A BRIEF STORY OR MEMORY, AND BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY RECIPE BOOK.

SUBMIT:

- **NAME**
- **RECIPE**
- **SHORT PERSONAL STORY**

DEADLINE
FEBRUARY 6, 2025

ATIKAMEKSHENG ANISHNAWBEK FAMILY RECIPE BOOK

ATIKAMEKSHENG ANISHNAWBEK ARCHIVE GROUP

email: library@WLFN.com



YOU CAN ALSO DROP OFF YOUR RECIPES AT THE KENDAASII GAMIK/LIBRARY



Biiboon - Winter

Story Sharing Time

Abinoojinh Gchi Gikendaasowin
"A child has great knowledge"



Friday's, **January 16, 23, 30, 2026**

Friday's, **February 6,13, 20,27, 2026**

10-2 pm

KENDAASII-GAMIK- LIBRARY

Youth-Drop In

Friday, **January 23, 2025**

Friday, **February 6, 2025**

5-7 pm

YOUTH CENTRE

Sunday, **February 22, 2026**

2-4 pm

Abinoojinh Gchi Gikendaasowin

Film Project Presentation

KENDAASII-GAMIK- LIBRARY

Come to learn about the program, share your stories and let us know your thoughts about Early Learning in Atikameksheng

What is Abinoojiinh Gchi Gikendaasowin?

Curriculum Development

Together with community this project will establish a new child development (ages 0- 6) curriculum based on Atikamkesheng Anishnawbek traditional values and history.

Wellbeing Survey

Survey is open until end of February - if you need assistance come to the library on the above dates.

Early Learning Land Based Program

Watch for upcoming Lands based activities with the Early Years Programs - Summer Film Project Presentation February 22, 2026

Chi Map Project

Located
Kendassi Gamik-Library
Youth Centre
Interactive voice recorded
Anishnaabemowin Map



mark@anielski.com tnaponse@gmail.com pnaponse@gmail.com

Community Food Support Program

What is the Community Food Support Program?

- Provides non-perishable food items to meet the needs of families in financials stress.
- Once a month
- Per household

Eligibility

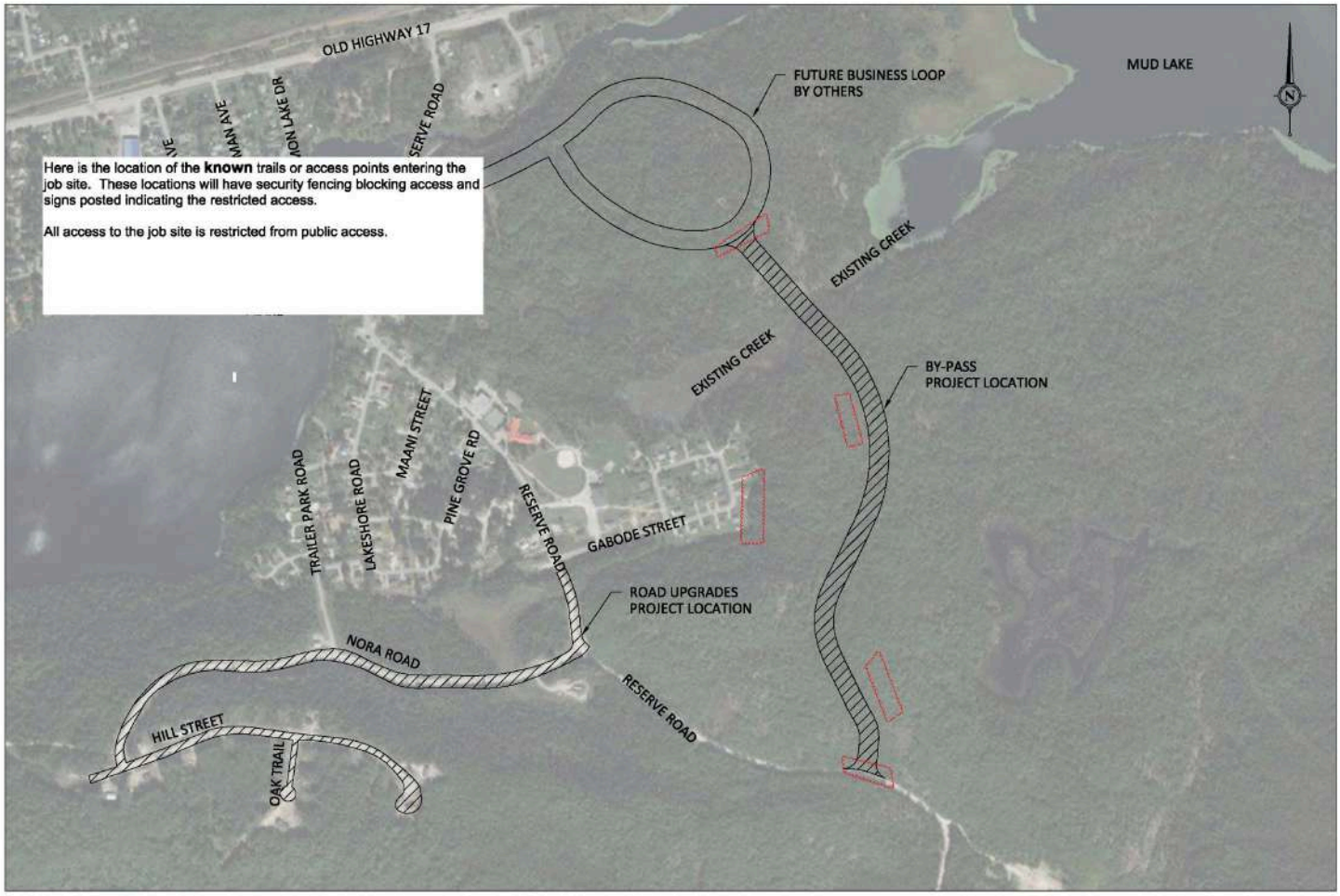
- Members of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek in need

Application Process

- Requires appointment to access Food support program
- Call or text Joanne Shawbonquit at 705-921-5372
- Email: community.foodsupport@wlfn.com
- Open Tuesdays & Thursdays

Wiijiiwaagan Miikana- Friendship Road

Please stay clear of all restricted areas and do not access any trails near the site.



We appreciate the community's understanding and cooperation in this matter.

Any inquiries should be directed to
Ross Assinewe- Planning & Infrastructure Director
director.planning-infra@wlfn.com
or Teresa Kwakwa-Danso- Project Manager
project.manager@WLFN.com

LOCAL 793
international union of operating engineers

OETIO
OPERATING ENGINEERS TRAINING INSTITUTE OF ONTARIO

HEAVY EQUIPMENT
APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINING
INFO SESSION

Join us for an OETIO Information Session highlighting Indigenous Pre-Apprenticeship, Heavy Equipment, Crane Apprenticeship programs, and more.

Learn from First Nation industry professionals and explore rewarding career pathways in the unionized trades.

Enjoy a complimentary dinner and a chance to win a door prize while learning how to kickstart your career in heavy equipment operation.

February 24, 2026

6:00 - 8:00PM

Community Centre
37 Reserve Rd.
Naughton, ON

Please bring a copy of your resume!



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Tasheena Recollet,
Community Skills Development Coordinator

communityskills.coordinator@wlfn.com

YC Drop in

February

2026

FEB 06	4pm - 9pm
SUN 08	12pm-3pm
FRI 13	4pm - 9pm
SUN 15	12pm-3pm
FRI 20	4pm - 9pm Teen sexual awareness & healthy Relationships
SUN 22	12pm-3pm
FRI 27	No program! Gone to wolves game

→ PLEASE CONTACT JASMINE WABEGIJIG FOR ANY QUESTIOMS

CHILDYOUTH.WORKER2@WLFN.COM



GYM NIGHT

Happening every Thursday

4:30pm-6:30pm

February 5th

February 12th

February 19th

February 26th

@Community Centre Gym

Please note 4:30-5:30 is chidren ages 7-12 & 5:30-6:30 is youth ages 13-21

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Seated Yoga



Join us for Seated Yoga on Wednesdays at the Community Centre with Metamorphosis! Yoga helps to keep your mind Sharp, strengthen bones and joints, improve balance and stamina, reduce stress, improve sleeping habits, slow down aging, and reduce pain!

- Start at 10:45 a.m.
- Wednesdays
- Community Centre

February 4, 11, 18 & 25
March 4, 11, 18 & 25

For more information, please contact Community Health Nurse, Marina, at communityhealth.nurse@wlfn.com

metamorphosis
creative transformation studio

Outreach at Kendaasii-Gamik

FEB 5 5 - 6 PM

FEB 12 5 - 6 PM

FEB 19 5 - 6 PM

FEB 26 5 - 6 PM

MAR 5 5 - 6 PM

MAR 12 5 - 6 PM

MAR 19 5 - 6 PM

LOCATION

Kendaasii-Gamik
212 Manni Street
Atikameksheng

The outreach workers will be at the library every Thursday from 5pm-6pm

SERVICES

- Housing Support
- ID Assistance
- Referrals to Internal / External Supports
- Harm Reduction Supplies

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

OUTREACH.WORKER2@WLFN.COM | (249) 377-6108
OUTREACH.WORKER@WLFN.COM | (705) 741-6943

Adult Day Program

FEBRUARY 2026

FEBRUARY 3RD
TEATIME: COFFEE AND CONVERSATION WITH MIIJIIJI
TIME: 1-3PM
WHERE: HEALTH BOARD ROOM

FEBRUARY 10TH
TEATIME: ARTS & CRAFTS
TIME: 1-3PM
WHERE: HEALTH BOARD ROOM

FEBRUARY 17TH
TEATIME: VALUE VILLAGE
TIME: 1-3PM
WHERE: SUDBURY

FEBRUARY 19TH
WALDEN FOOD BANK
TIME: 1-3PM

FEBRUARY 24TH
TEATIME: COFFEE AND CONVERSATION WITH MIIJIIJI
TIME: 1-3PM
WHERE: HEALTH BOARD ROOM

IF ANY QUESTIONS EMAIL KATE AT:
ADULTDAY.PROGRAMMER@WLFN.COM

ATIKAMEKSHENG ANISHNAWBEK

HBHC FEB 2026 CALENDAR

Check out the list of events for February!

Upcoming Events

Healthy Babies
HEalthy Children

Healthy Snacks and drinks will be provided at all programs except COHI

February 9&23
9:00 a.m - 12:00 p.m.

0-6 Drop in with HBHC and Early Years

Come in and visit the HBHC worker and the Early Years worker at the Waasakwa Children's Centre (HBHC side).

Bring your little one to play or to socialize with other littles. If you want to ask questions, request supports, or have ideas for new programming, come and visit us!

One entry for each visit between Feb 2-March 30 for Prize Draw on March 30

February 11
9am - 3:30pm

Valentine's Family Activity/Meal Kit Pick up

Come join HBHC, the Community Wellness Program Worker, and the Early Years team to pick up a kit filled with family activities and ingredients for a meal you can cook and enjoy together.

REGISTER BY FEB 6 at 2PM Only 25 Available, 1 Per Household

Location: Waasakwa Children's Centre (HBHC side)

February 21
10am - 4pm

Drum Making

Come in and visit the HBHC worker and Family Violence Prevention Worker for a few hours for Drum Making.

Please register for this one with Sam- FVPW and watch for her flyer with more details.

February 25
5pm - 7pm

Nutritional Bingo

Join HBHC and Community Wellness Program Worker for Nutritional Bingo at the Waasakwa Children's Centre (HBHC side). Snacks and prizes.

PLEASE REGISTER WITH Yvonne BY FEB 18 @ 2pm (Limited spots)

February 24 & 25

COHI Children's Oral Health Initiative Children 0-7

Come in to see our hygienist, ask questions, and have your child's teeth looked at to spot any troubled areas. Prenatal dental check up and information as well!

Feb 24 : 12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. at the Band Office
Feb 25: 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the Waasakwa Children's Centre (HBHC side)

Please Register for all events Except drop Ins
healthybabies.children@wlfn.com
Please ensure to register as space is limited

ATIKAMEKSHENG ANISHNAWBEK

2026

February

MKWAA GIIZIS ~ BEAR MOON

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 **Drop-in** 10 am-2 pm	4	5 **Drop-in** 10 am-2 pm	6	7
8	9 **Drop-in with HBHC** 9 am-12 pm	10	11 **Valentine's Day Kit Pick up** 1pm-6pm	12	13 **Drop-in** 9 am-2 pm	14
15	16	17 **Drop-in** 10 am-2 pm	18	19 **Drop-in** 10 am-2 pm	20 **Let's Get Messy!** 11 am-2 pm	21
22	23 **Drop-in with HBHC** 9 am-12 pm	24	25	26	27 **Drop-in** 9 am-2 pm	28

Tyra Vincent, RECE
Early Years Educator
earlyyears.educator@WLFN.com
C: 249-377-8921

EARLY YEARS PROGRAM
705-692-3651 EXT. 1152
601 Gabode Dr.
Naughton, ON P0M 2M0

Aiyanna Gonawabi
Early Years Assistant
earlyyears.assistant@WLFN.com

DINER'S CLUB
FEBRUARY
MENU

FEBRUARY 4TH

CHILI
CORNBREAD
CARROT CAKE CUPCAKES

FEBRUARY 11TH

HANGOVER SOUP
SCONE
MINI CHEESECAKE

FEBRUARY 18TH

CHICKEN CASSEROLE
SALAD
PUDDING

FEBRUARY 25TH

SPAGHETTI
GARLIC BREAD
SALAD
COOKIES

Community Hub Lunches

FEB
11
12 PM - 2 PM

FEB
25
12 PM - 1PM

MAR
11
12 PM - 1 PM

MAR
25
12 PM - 1 PM

APR
8
12 PM - 1 PM

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Community Hub
66 Elm Street, Suite 107
Sudbury, Ontario

For more information contact the Outreach Workers:

(249) 377-6108
(705) 741-6943

outreach.worker2@wlfn.com
outreach.worker@wlfn.com

WELL-BEING SURVEY 25-26

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek is conducting a second Well-Being Survey for Debendaagziwaad this fall/winter, 2025-2026, to get a better sense of you and your family's overall sense of well-being.

Your input will help guide Atikameksheng Anishnawbek's overall governance and decision making, to improve our overall quality of life.

The survey will run from November 13, 2025 - February 13, 2026.

Please scan the QR code or follow the link to fill out the survey

https://forms.gle/urXBcF5N6EyR7n7U6

$50.00

cash stipend for everyone 15 years + who completes the survey!

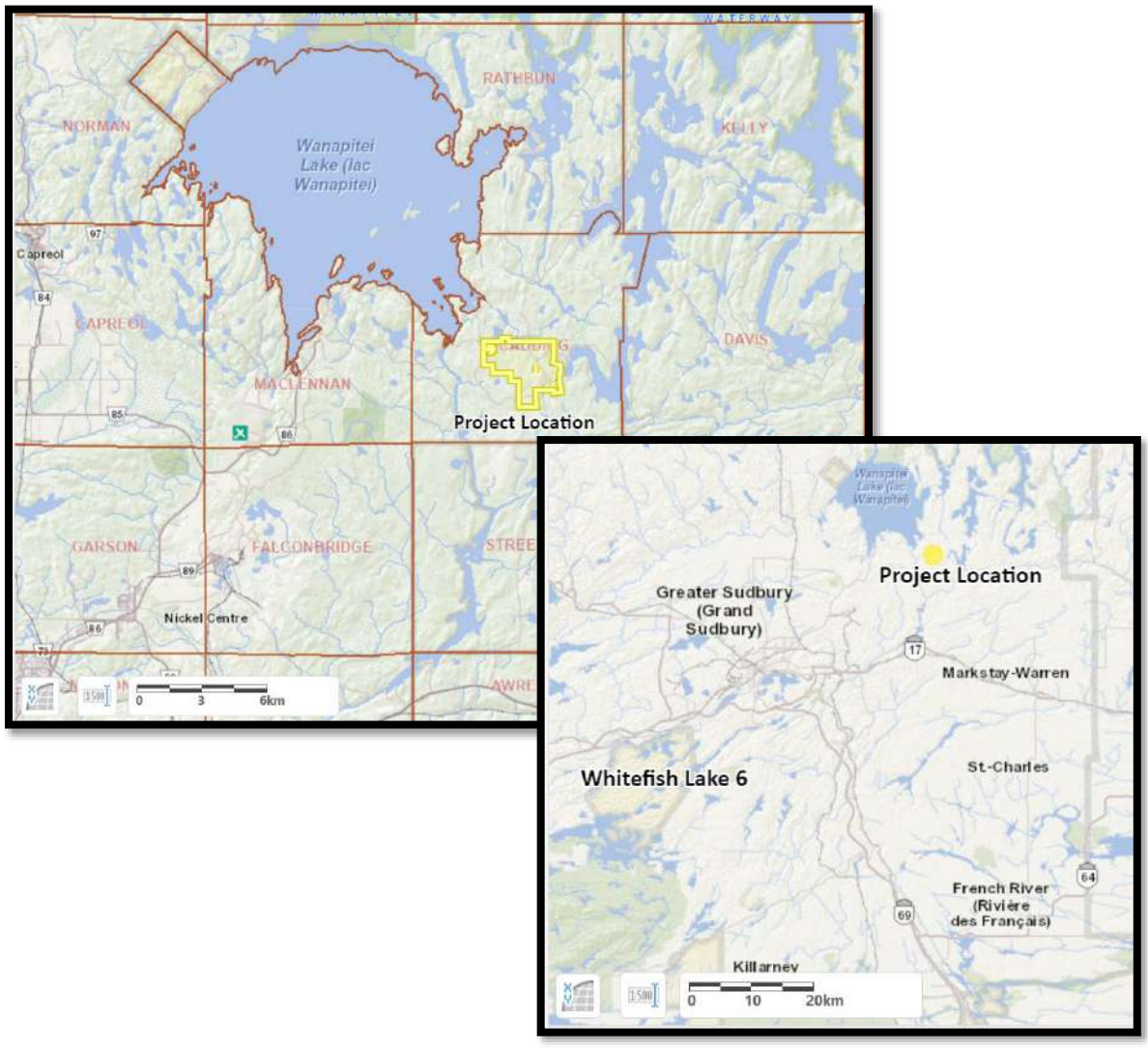
For more information, please contact:

Mark Anielski **anielski@gmail.com**
Paula Naponse **pnaponse@gmail.com**
Tammy Naponse **tnaponse@gmail.com**

Early Mineral Exploration Application Notice:

East Sudbury Project

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek has received an early mineral exploration permit notification from the Ontario Ministry of Energy and Mines (MEM) for proposed activities in Scadding Township, approximately 34 km Northwest of Sudbury. The proponent MacDonald Mines Exploration Ltd (now acquired by Canuc Resources Corp.) has submitted the permit application to MEM to conduct early exploration activities for the proposed East Sudbury Project (ESP) that will include geophysical surveys, line cutting, mechanized surface stripping, drilling and creating trails for the purposes of early exploration. The proposed project location is shown in the images below:



Please send your questions, comments, or concerns regarding this proposed early mineral exploration project by email to mineral.development@wlfn.com before February 10, 2026.

For more information on this proposed project please visit the Environmental Registry of Ontario website at: https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/026-0070

Robinson Huron Treaty Per Capita Distribution Submission Process

The Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Administration is continuing to collect information to execute the RHT Per Capita Distribution, which now also includes members added through the referendum held on November 16, 2024. **Kindly note that the Per Capita Distribution (PCD) was a one-time payment. Scheduled payment dates are exclusively for members who have not received their PCD.**

Distribution Schedule

Submission Period	Test Date	Distribution Payment
December 2, 2025 – February 15, 2026	February 26, 2026	March 4, 2026

PCD Form Submissions

When providing your supporting documents, please DO NOT include original documents. **You can submit the PCD form and supporting documentation to any of the following:**

1. BY MAIL

Administration Office
Attn: Sierra Fitchett
25 Reserve Road Naughton, Ontario P0M 2M0

2. BY EMAIL

pcd@wlfn.com

3. DROP OFF

During regular administration office and hub business hours
Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm, Friday 8:00am-4:00pm

For more questions or application support, please email the RHT Distribution team at pcd@wlfn.com.

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