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PARTNER LETTER

Welcome to October. As the weather continues to change we are looking forward to all of the exciting things coming up. September 30th is a very important day and we acknowledge Orange Shirt Day in honour of the survivors and those lost to residential schools. During that week we were privileged to be present at a historic meeting between the Premier of BC and our client Daylu, a community that has Schools. The meeting was productive and we look forward to seeing that relationship grow. Several other community visits were undertaken over other community visits to see what we



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DAYLU DENA COUNCIL MEETS WITH PREMIER JOHN HORGAN

Our Senior Associate Lynn Hutton attended a historic meeting between Daylu Dena Council, Deputy Chief Fred Lutz, and Premier John Horgan to recognize Daylu's rights and title over their land and traditional territory this week in Lower Post, BC.





KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

October 18: UBCM Community Resiliency Investment Program

This program is intended to reduce the risk and impact of wildfire to communities in BC. Applications are now being accepted for the 2020 program.

October 31: Blue Jays Cares Field of Dreams

Granting program for infrastructure dedicated to youth life-skill development and physical activity. Funding is to design, refurbish, and build safe spaces for youth to play.

LOCAL FOOD INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

The **Local Food Infrastructure Fund (LFIF)** aims to strengthen food systems and facilitate access to safe and nutritious food for at-risk populations. The fund was established by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada to support a healthier and more sustainable food system in Canada as part of the Government of Canada's Food Policy.

The fund is now accepting applications to its **Infrastructure and Equipment Improvement Projects** stream.

Details: This stream is available to community-based organizations who are looking to improve their infrastructure and purchase equipment that is directly related to the accessibility of healthy, nutritious, and ideally local foods within their community.

Funding is available up to \$25,000. Applicants must contribute at least 50% of the total project cost.

Eligibility: Projects should be **infrastructure specific**. Eligible costs include capital assets and other direct project costs (installation costs, including labour and materials).

Application Deadline: The deadline for this stream is November 1, 2019.

The second stream will launch in early 2020.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

On Monday, September 30th, we recognized Orange Shirt Day to commemorate the residential school experience, to witness and honour the healing journey of the survivors and their families, and to commit to the ongoing process of reconciliation.

Residential schools operated across Canada for 112 years, form 1884 to 1996, with upwards of 150,000 children being taken from their families. Residential schools and their legacy have impacted generations and left behind lasting effects.

Senior Associate Lynn Hutton was in Lower Post, BC, to celebrate the special day with the Daylu Dena Council and Liard First Nation.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Victoria Lobbying

The Strategies North team is getting ready for a number of upcoming lobbying trips to Victoria! We are looking forward to more opportunities to share our clients' stories with different federal agencies to help advance our clients funding and capacity objectives.

In case you missed it:

Strategies North has expanded to our new office in Kamloops, BC. Our updated address is :

467 St. Paul St., Kamloops, BC, V2C 2J7

We will continue to serve our clients from Fort St. John and now Kamloops.

BROKENHEAD OJIBWAY NATION



Our October client profile is Brokenhead Ojibway Nation!

Brokenhead Ojibway Nation is our first Manitoba client, located northeast of Winnipeg. The main reserve of Brokenhead 4 is surrounded by the Rural Municipality of St. Clements, except for a small lakeshore on Lake Winnipeg.

Brokenhead is a thriving community with many businesses that serve Nation members and the public, including the Wavers gas station, South Beach Casino & Resort, a community store, grocery store, and pharmacy.

Pictured below is the popular South Beach Casino & Resort, which is located on Brokenhead Ojibway Nation Reserve.

For more information, visit: <u>http://www.brokenheadojibwaynation.net</u>



COMMUNITY VISITS

Partner Grant Barley and Community Analyst Lauren McIvor were on a client tour last month, visiting Brokenhead Ojibway Nation in Manitoba and Eagle Lake First Nation in northwestern Ontario! Grant and Lauren were thrilled to be able to visit and talk to members about the exciting projects taking place in each community.



Lauren visiting the Migisi Sahgaigan school at Eagle Lake. The Strategies North team was blown away by the building, and loved seeing all of the traditional artwork displayed around the school!

The spectacular view from Eagle Lake First Nation reserve lands.



