

Healing Fund Project Summary: Fall 2018

At its fall 2018 meeting, The United Church of Canada's Healing Fund Council met to consider applications to the Healing Fund and reviewed 21 proposals. At the end of the meeting, 12 proposals were approved for total funding of \$150,000.

| File Number | Organization and Project Name | Project Description | Amount of Grant |
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| 60218021506 | Healing Together in Unity Kateri Anishabe Group, Geraldton, ON | This is a grassroots group creating a safe place to empower participants based on the Anishnabe Seven Grandfather teachings and the medicine wheel. There will have workshops, presentations, and teachings to promote togetherness, healing, and culture. | \$13,000 |
| 60218021507 | Nisga'a Infant Development Program Cultural Language Projects Nisga'a Lisims Government, Aiyansh, BC | This project will support 10 families from the region that will teach them cultural skills, practices, and traditional knowledge of caring for children and the family. This will also incorporate healing from grief with an Elder. | \$15,000 |
| 60218021515 | Treaty, Language, Cultural Catalyst Chief Beardy Memorial Elementary School, Duck Lake, SK | After a year of Indigenous cultural learning, activities, dancing, and arts will culminate in a final cultural showcase and traditional powwow for the students. Students will share their teachings, display their art, perform, and celebrate their gifts with the whole community. | \$10,200 |
| 60218021517 | Mmmoooooooooke Na Sii Yea Yea – All My Relations (MNSYY Program) Vancouver Native Health Society, Vancouver, BC | This project aims to support participants in their efforts towards wellness, stability, and a sense of positive identity through connection to Indigenous culture, spirituality, and Elders to address the intergenerational effects of residential schools and colonialism. The participants will drive the contents of the circle. | \$15,000 |
| 60218021526 | Respecting Mother Earth – Respecting Ourselves Brunswick House First Nation, Chapleau, ON | A small First Nation community (Elders and youth) will come together to create a medicine garden while learning to work together, receive cultural teachings, and working with medicines. It is about reclaiming their traditional knowledge and passing it on to the youth. | \$15,000 |
| 60218021522 | Aboriginal Cultural Recovery Circle Lloydminster Native Friendship Centre, Lloydminster, SK | Following the Friendship Centre's healing and wellness strategy, the project will focus on residential school and intergenerational survivors that will foster healing, cultural connection, and identity. | \$12,000 |

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| 60218021528 | Indigenous Family Reunification Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre, Beausejour, MB | This project will host a series of cultural and land-based retreats for Indigenous parents who are working to reunite with their children from the child welfare system. It will offer residential programming providing wraparound support, culture, identity, healing, education, and strengthening relationships with community. | \$15,000 |
| 60218021508 | Changing the Way We Talk About Suicide Brightening the Spirit – Breaking the Silence, Ohsweken, ON | This project will conduct a community consultation to formulate a community framework for healing and recovery from the impact of suicide. | \$14,640 |
| 60218021514 | Going M.I.L.E.S. (Motivate, Inspire, Lead, Empower, Succeed) Lytton First Nations, Lytton, BC | This is a unique, land-based project fostering wellness and healing for Residential School Survivors, their families and community. There will be sharing circles, storytelling, arts activities, traditional singing and dancing socials, and traditional teachings led by Elders. | \$13,100 |
| 60218021512 | Moving from Lateral Violence to Lateral Kindness Stz'uminus First Nation, Ladysmith, BC | This project aims to address multigenerational trauma stemming from impacts of residential school and colonization. This project will increase awareness of lateral violence, establish trust, increase authentic communication, learn and undertake new behaviours, and shift the culture of the community. | \$8,652 |
| 60218021513 | Listening with our Hearts Gitksan Wet'suwet'en Education Society, Hazelton, BC | This project introduces Residential School Survivors to students to help them understand their experiences and ongoing impacts in society through storytelling. The Elders and youth will spend the day making drums. The sharing will be video recorded to make DVDs to share for educational purposes. | \$9,750 |
| 60218021519 | Speaking our Truth: Indigenous Women's Voices IWSS Indigenous Women Sharing Society, Courtney, BC | This project creates space for Residential School Survivors to share their experiences, wisdom and suggestions for healing and reconciliation through podcast recordings. This will increase awareness of residential schools, demonstrate power of women's voice and educate a wider range of the public. | \$8,658 |