



BIGSTONE CREE NATION TRUST PROPOSAL APPLICATION

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PART A – Information About You

Date: JANUARY 5, 2026

The following information is essential for approval and for BCN Trust Administration to contact you.

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Which Trust classification are you applying to access funding?
(Check off only one Trust Fund category)

Please note that all application submissions need to be in by
January 15, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. no exceptions.

Bigstone Cree Nation Department ☐

Members at Large/Committee ☒

BCN Trust ☐ Off-Reserve Members ☐ Calling Lake ☒ Chipewyan Lake ☐ Wabasca/Desmarais ☐

Team Member	Position on Team	Roles and Responsibilities	Signing Authority
JULIANNA GAMBLER	DIRECTOR	ADMINISTRATION	☒
JESSICA JOHNSON	YOUTH COORDINATOR	RECRUIT YOUTH	☒
BERNARD CARDINAL	FACILITATION COORDINATOR	MANAGE ACTIVITIES	☒
HAHEKUN LABOCHÉ	ELDER COORDINATOR	ARRANGE GUIDANCE	☒
RAYMOND GLADUE	RESOURCE COORDINATOR	MANAGE SUPPLIES	☒

Part B – Information About Your Project

IMPORTANT

Please note that this form is required for formal reviews of the project by the Trustees and Chief & Council and from time-to-time, Bigstone Cree Nation Members. It is also necessary if the Accountable Body is requested to make decisions that materially affect the project, including changes or modifications to the original plan. It is the responsibility of the Project Director to complete the form, assisted by the Project Team or Society/Committee.



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TRUST PROPOSAL APPLICATION

Executive Summary

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Title of your proposal: INDIGENOUS YOUTH LAND-BASED LEARNING INITIATIVE

Project Start Date: MAY 2026 Expected end date: APRIL 2027

Executive Summary

This Summary gives the reader a concise overview of the project's purpose; the team's research; progress; and process of the project. Summarize the importance of the project and its main objective.

This proposal outlines a year long initiative designed to strengthen cultural identity, intergenerational knowledge transfer and community wellness through hands-on land-based practices. Youth participants will engage in traditional activities including hunting, harvesting traditional medicines, butchering moose, making dry meat, setting nets, smoking and filleting fish, tool making, trapping, hide tanning, and supporting ceremonial practices.

The initiative centers Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Elders teachings, and land-based pedagogy to support youth in developing practical skills, cultural pride, leadership, and a sense of responsibility to land and our community.

The food harvested will feed Elders and the community. Medicines harvested will be distributed to Elders and the community. The hides tanned will be used to create traditional garments.

*Add additional sheets as needed

Description

Describe the nature of the project, it's overall goal and value to the Membership and to the Community. Be concise and brief without sacrificing the necessary details. Start your message with a brief introductory sentence followed by bullet points to highlight the purpose of the project.

This initiative is a culturally grounded program that will reconnect youth with traditional livelihoods, ceremonial responsibilities, and land stewardship practices.

- cultural teachings and knowledge transfer
- workshops and camps
- revitalize traditional hunting, fishing, harvesting
- support food sovereignty and traditional food systems.

*Add additional sheets as needed

This initiative provides meaningful, safe and guided opportunities for youth to learn on the land while upholding Cree laws, values, and protocols.

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Goals of your proposal

You should provide data that describes relevant statistics and qualitative observations that outline the requisites of your project. Make it easy for the reader to understand why your project is important, how it is uniquely suited to address a specific challenge/barrier and how it will meet the needs of Membership and the Community.

GOALS - revitalize land-based Knowledge and traditional Skills

- foster intergenerational relationships between youth and elders
- provide traditional food to elders within the community
- promote food sovereignty, wellness, and self-sufficiency
- support ceremonial life and cultural continuity
- build youth leadership, teamwork and confidence
- improving youth mental, emotional, physical and spiritual well-being
- preserving cultural practices, language and Treaty rights

This initiative addresses observed gaps in youth access to land-based Knowledge due to historical and ongoing impacts of colonization, residential schools, and modern socio-economic barriers. It is uniquely suited to address challenges by centering traditional Knowledge systems, Elder guidance, and experiential learning on the land.

Target Timelines and outcomes for each Quarter (provide a brief summary):

July-September

- Fishing, net setting, filleting, smoking
- Medicine harvesting
- Stockpile rocks and firewood for ceremony
- Hide preparation and tanning

October-December

- Moose harvesting and processing
- Trapping

January-March

- Fishing, net setting, filleting, smoking
- Tool making
- Trapping

April-June

- Hide preparation and tanning
- Ceremonial lodge building

*Add additional sheets as needed

YEAR ROUND

- Supporting ceremony
- Hunting
- Harvesting medicines
- Fishing



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Result:

Evaluation Plan: What results do you expect to achieve over the course of the project? How will you know when the project is completed that your goals and objectives have been met?

Evaluation will be culturally appropriate and community driven, incorporating both qualitative and quantitative measures

- attendance and participation tracking
- youth self-reflections
- Elder and facilitator feedback
- skill demonstrations and completion of activities
- community feedback

RESULTS: Increase youth knowledge, skills, confidence, leadership, pride.
Increase community access to traditional foods.

COMPLETION: Measured by youth engagement, feedback, and completed activities.

List the resources needed for the project:

Describe the manpower, tools and resources being utilized to achieve the goals of the project.

- Briefly describe the activities and methods you/your team will employ to achieve your goals and objectives.

Which departments will oversee specific aspects of the plan and what programs or information are they using?

- What results do you expect to achieve?
- What criteria will you be using to measure success?
- Will you be subcontracting out? Briefly describe who, when, where, why and how?
- The reader should be able to understand who manages certain deliverable.
- Members at Large will need WCB and Insurance to undergo Trust Proposal Projects.

HUMAN RESOURCES - Elders and Knowledge Keepers
- Land-based instructors / facilitators
- Coordinators and support staff

MATERIAL RESOURCES - Hunting and fishing equipment
- Processing tools and hide tanning materials
- Ceremonial supplies (tobacco, medicines, cloth, food, wood, rocks)

Team members manage their roles and responsibilities as volunteers.

No subcontracting beyond honoraria-based Elder/facilitator support.

*Additional sheets as needed



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Project End Evaluation by the Administrator:

At the conclusion of this initiative, a comprehensive evaluation will be conducted to assess outcomes and inform future programming.

- Documentation of feedback, lessons and best practices
- Review of goals and objectives achieved
- Recommendations for sustainability and future funding.

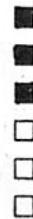
Indicate below which category your proposal request fall under:

- Community Development **
- Health Care - nutritional traditional food
- Education and Training
- Elder Care
- Infrastructure improvement
- Preserving culture and language
- Community activities
- Economic development
- Cultural enrichment
- Protection of aboriginal identity and Treaty Right



**If you have chosen *Community Development*, which additional categories does your proposal request fall under?

- Improve health and well-being (emotional, physical, mental, spiritual)
- Benefits from improving awareness of culture, traditions, identity
- Networking-building relationships with the community and outside the community
- Creating temporary jobs
- Occupational training and development of infrastructure
- Opportunity for creating greater economic independence



What research and/or studies have you/your team completed to determine the requirements of membership or the community, that this proposal will provide?

This proposal is informed by

- community observance and discussions
- Elder guidance
- Identified need for land-based healing and cultural programming within our community.

*Add additional sheets as needed



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Projected Budget

How much money are you/your team requesting with this proposal? \$ 100,000

Have you included a Cash Flow budget?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If you checked off "no" please explain why you didn't submit a Cash Flow budget?

*Add additional sheet as needed

Have you/your team approached any other funding agencies prior to approaching BCN Trusts?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If you checked off "yes", please provide the details of the request, what amount was negotiated and what amount was approved. If the request was denied, please explain why it was denied.

*Add additional sheets as needed

Is the funding request from BCN Trusts to be used with any other funding source(s) or partner(s)?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If you checked off "yes", identify the funding source or partner: _____

What is the % breakdown of funding from other source(s) or partner(s)?

_____	%	_____
_____	%	_____
_____	%	_____

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INDIGENOUS YOUTH LAND-BASED LEARNING INITIATIVE Projected Budget

Cash Flow Budget (Quarterly)

Category	Q1 (Jul-Sep)	Q2 (Oct-Dec)	Q3 (Jan-Mar)	Q4 (Apr-Jun)	Total
Elder, Youth & Knowledge Keeper Honoraria	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$12,000
Land-Based Instructors	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$12,000
Hunting & Harvesting Supplies	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$12,000
Fishing, Nets & Smoking Supplies	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$12,000
Hide Tanning & Tool Making	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$10,000
Ceremonial Supplies	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$12,000
Transportation & Fuel	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$20,000
Food & Camp Supplies	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$7,000
Safety, Insurance & WCB	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000
Quarterly Totals	\$30,000	\$22,000	\$21,000	\$27,000	\$100,000

Total Funding Requested: \$100,000



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Quarterly Report

If you/your team do not submit the first (1st) quarterly report within the first three (3) months of starting the project and subsequent quarterly reports thereafter until the conclusion of the project, your funds may be suspended indefinitely at the phase, the delinquency had been committed.

Definition

Quarterly means every three (3) months.

Summary/Evaluation Report:

It is equally important to submit the final Summary/Evaluation report at the end of the project.

IMPORTANT to KNOW

BCN Trusts will no longer tolerate negligence, procrastination and non-compliance.

1. The consequence for irresponsible acts of postponement, may be a "rejected proposal" by the Trustees and Chief & Council because of non-performance.
2. It is equally important to RETURN assets (property/equipment etc.) back to Bigstone Cree Nation when such items are purchased with BCN Trust funding, at the end, of the project.
3. Trust Administrator will conduct an Project End Evaluation Report.

When the Project Director undertakes to coordinate a project, it is his/her responsibility to comply with the requirements of the program and to ensure that his/her team conforms.

BCN Trusts is responsible to Membership, the Trustees and to Chief & Council.

JULIANNA GAMBLER
Print Name

[Signature]
Signature

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Re: 2025 trust proposal

Angela Bigstone

Mon 2026-01-19 8:42 AM

Sent Items

To: Julianna Gambler <meyohst@hotmail.com>;

Good morning.

Thank you for the update, i will add the information to your proposal

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From: Julianna Gambler <meyohst@hotmail.com>

Sent: January 16, 2026 8:12:50 PM

To: Angela Bigstone

Subject: Re: 2025 trust proposal

CAUTION: This email originated outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender's email address and know the content is safe.

Sorry for the delayed reply, your email went to my junk folder.

I have sent in the application to register Oskapewis Society as a non-profit organization. Once we receive the associated documentation, we will open a bank account for the society and have our secretary/treasurer maintain our books.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 15, 2026, at 3:57 PM, Angela Bigstone <angela.bigstone@bigstone.ca> wrote:

Hi Julianna.

Thank you for your 2026 trust proposal submission.

We did a quick review of the application and found that we need a little more detail, before they go forward to trustees.

- will you be opening a bank account for your project? there is the option to utilize the trust finance and have all payments flow through us. Please provide some clarification on how you plan to issue and track payments?

If you have any questions, please give me a call

Thank you