



# BIGSTONE CREE NATION TRUST PROPOSAL APPLICATION

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## PART A – Information About You

Date:

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                   |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Maye Yellowknee       | Secretary/Treasurer | planning/prep/signing authority | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Cindy Davis/Gullion   | President           | planning/prep planning/prep     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Jessica Kaga/Cardinal | Vice President      |                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|                       |                     |                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

## 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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## Executive Summary

**Title of your proposal:** WABASCA ISKWEWAK SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL DAY EVENT

**Project Start Date:** MARCH 8, 2026

**Expected end date:** MARCH 8, 2026

## 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.*

International Womans day is a global day of celebration of woman. The initial idea is to do something for our community was sparked by a conversation between a couple woman. This marked the beginning of planning and organization for this annual event. The Wabasca Iskewwak Society organizes and hosts the "international Woman's Day" event every year on March 8th. Our goal is to recognize and appreciate woman in our community and surrounding areas for their upending care and giving responsibilities as grandmothers, mothers, aunties, and sisters. 2026 is our 17th annual year hosting this event and is open to all woman aged 18 and over. We have researched some of the activities, events and rest of our previous Woman's day and having surveys done every year. The results show all the womans appreciation. Our annual events include an evening of shopping, a delicious meal, encouraging speakers, a photo booth, games, and entertainment. We always start the event with a praye and drummers. The surveys show that woman feel appreciated and pampered and contributes to their emotional and mental health.

\*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.*

The annual Womans Days celebration is a huge event in our community and is growing in size. At our event in 2025 we had 300 woman atter our event. We are expecting more this year as we always grow in size yearly. Our success is evident in our attendance and the positive writte evaluations we receive each year. We know we have achieved our goals from the comments and compliments we receive as the ladies walk out the door. The ladies from our community definitely benefit from the celebration and our sponsors will be greatly appreciated and recognize We are a registered society with volunteers-woman come from our community and surrounding communities- different theme each year-catered leapt-Entertainment-vendors-photobooth-door prizes-candle light vigil evaluations are filled out and handed in and they help us plan for next year and make things better,

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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.*

International Women's Day is a global event. Which honors the roles and responsibilities of the woman in our society. There are many studies that show the importance of recognizing certain groups of people in our society. These are the studies that show the importance of recognizing certain groups of people in our society the affect of recognition has on a person's self worth and self esteem. From the IWD website the benefit of our "International Woman's Day" event for Wabasca and surrounding communities gives the ladies one evening out of our busy lives. We feel we have touched many women by sharing issues such as "MMIW, Cancer survivors, and other trauma issues. We usually end the night with a candle light vigil to honor important women we have lost. We also celebrate life with these same women as we enjoyed hosting each year. Some of the dress themes we have used are as follows "multi cultural woman", the 80's craze, live, laugh, love, hippie theme to name a few.

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

#### July-September

Monthly meeting and group chats on ideas and fundraising

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#### October-December

ongoing monthly meetings and fundraising

-book hall - review evaluation forms

-call out for more members to join

-review sponsors letter and list of sponsors

#### January-March

purchasing of material needed for event -make sure all vendors, guest speakers, door prizes meal plans etc.

Call out for Caterers, sponsors -we have booked multi plex for event

fundraising -send out sponsor letters- phone calls for follow up

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#### April-June

-reporting -final meeting and wrap up and look at evaluation forms to help us set up for next year, as well as any loose ends we need to deal with, such as our final summary report.

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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?*

As previously mentioned we are a volunteer group of ladies and our main goal is to ensure that one day out of each year is set aside to honor the woman who stabilize our homes and communities on a daily basis. Before the closing of our evening we always disburse an evaluation form, which encourages the participants to fill out and hand in so that we can make improvements for the following year. As stated above we start our meetings in September to make sure that every item that needs attention is included. As the date draws nearer we usually attend call outs for vendors and caterers, servers, drummers, donations, door prizes, swag bags, and proposals for local grants. We also mail out letters to local businesses for donations, monetary /door prizes. Our group oversees the projects from beginning to end and we measure our success by the amount of ladies that attend. We do not subcontract, our group as a whole is responsible for managing all deliveries as we are a numbered society. We will be covered by WCB and insurance.

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### 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.*

subcontracts we will be doing a call out for caterers- they are responsible for purchasing of food and

drinks. we will be asking Grade 12 graduates from all schools to decorate-serve-wash dishes-help

clean gym. We will be asking local drum group to come in for opening song and prayer we will be

doing a call out for vendors to come in

-we do not charge for vendors, but ask fir door prize donations

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As previously stated we are a numbered society and have WCB and insurance coverage, Also we as a group will oversee all the of the criteria listed above.

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\*Additional sheets as needed



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## Project End Evaluation by the Administrator:

I will be submitting a financial report at the end of our event detailing total costs of everything, how many people attending, and if there was anything that we would change for next year,

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Indicate below which category your proposal request fall under:

- Community Development \*\* ☐
- Health Care ☐
- 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?

We have noticed that previous years of hosting this event for our community and surrounding areas that this always something woman have looked forward to attending. When other communities come out for the event, they wish that their community would do something similar for them as woman.

During covid we missed one year and it was noticed by all woman.

We advertise for new members every year and it is open membership.

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## Projected Budget

How much money are you/your team requesting with this proposal? \$15,000.00

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?

MD of Opportunity \$10,000.00 PENDING 30%

Bigstone Trust \$15,000.00 PENDING 30%

CNRL \$3500 PENDING 10 %

BOSS - OPEN

Bigstone Health Commision-OPEN

Wabasca Iskewwak fundraising 15%

\*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.

MD of Opportunity \$10,000.00 - pending

Bigstone Trust \$15,000.00 -pending

CNRL \$3500 - approved

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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)?

MD of Opportunity \$10,000.00 % 30

Bigstone Trust \$15,000.00 % 30

CNRL \$3500 % 10

Iskwewak Fundraising 30%



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### Quarterly Report

If you/your team do not submit the first (1<sup>st</sup>) 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.

Maye Yellowknee

Print Name

Signature

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.