

# Department of Community & Social Services

CALL FOR SERVICE: Enhancing Well-Being Through Prevention Services



**What Service:** The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne's Department of Community and Social Services (DCSS) is looking for First Nation Child and Family Prevention Service Providers within the Community of Akwesasne.

**Overview:** The Department of Community and Social Services is issuing a call out to organizations passionate about enhancing the well-being of children and families within our community through prevention services. We recognize the critical role of early intervention and support in fostering healthy family dynamics and child development. As such, we invite proposals from organizations capable of providing comprehensive prevention services tailored to the needs of our community. This could include promotion, public awareness, and education of traditional child caring approaches, healthy families, and child development. Activities should increase protective factors at a community level and help to create the network that supports family retention and healing, cultural engagement and connection, and a sense of belonging. All activities should be aimed at supporting the best interests of the child and could include:

- Classes, workshops, and outreach to improve family preservation and well-being
- Well-being services, including cultural and recreational activities, that support children and families at-risk in the home and community
- Before and After School Care
- Summer Camp
- Secure and responsive social relationships between children and caregivers
- Supporting parents in meeting their families developmental, health, educational, social, cultural, and spiritual needs
- Pre-Natal and Early Intervention Services

Eligible expenditures include:

- Salary/benefits to support the delivery of prevention services (conditions apply – Not-for-profit status in Canada)

- Costs related to recruitment, training, and professional development of prevention staff
- Honorariums for elder/ knowledge keepers
- General program delivery costs
- Non-medical travel costs to support the delivery of services
- Costs related to providing services to persons with distinct identities, such as those with disabilities, or 2SLGBTQIA+ people

***Deliverables:*** Service Providers must submit:

- Regular Monthly Financial Reports (Financial reporting requirements to be discussed during the selection process).
- Regular monthly statistical reports (statistical requirements to be discussed during the selection process).
- Regular monthly narrative reports
- Any challenges encountered during the implementation of prevention services.

***Format of Response:*** Project Proposal via email in PDF/Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint. Should you need assistance with a template please contact Alicia Hill, Executive Assistant to the Director of DCSS.

***Responses to be sent to:*** Executive Assistant | Department of Community and Social Services via email at [alicia.hill@akwesasne.ca](mailto:alicia.hill@akwesasne.ca).

***Responses due:*** May 24, 2024 (*First round call out deadline; requests will be accepted throughout the fiscal year and considered for funding until March 31, 2025.*)

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