



Pathways Family Services Foster Care News

“Providing children and families with safety, stability and belonging”

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Update to Pathways HUB

The long-anticipated new forms have arrived and were added to the HUB on December 14th. A huge thank you to all those who helped us test the new forms. We've listened to your requests and are thrilled to introduce three new forms specifically designed for foster parents:

1. ***Foster Home Expense Request***
2. ***Foster Home Travel Reimbursement***
3. ***Foster Home Document & Training Submission***



These forms have been designed with simplicity and ease of use in mind. A training session held December 14th provided an in-depth introduction to these forms. For those unable to attend, the session was recorded for viewing later and the link was emailed December 14th. For those with questions - please contact Scott.



Please Note:

Pathways office will be closed the week of December 25th to 29th inclusive and January 1st, re-opening January 2nd.

Because of this, payroll cutoff for the December 16th to 31st pay period is at **4:00 pm on December 22nd.**

Contact on-call with any emergencies during this time.



Paperwork Update

New Sub-Delegations for foster parent homes have been completed and sent directly via email. Please note the following:

- Sub-Delegations will now expire every 3 years, or when your contract with Pathways ends (whichever comes first).
- If you did not receive a new Sub-Delegation, or if the one you received has any errors on it, please contact Scott and he will re-send or update it.
- If you would like a paper copy brought to you, please contact your Support Worker and they can bring one out during a home visit.



Please note that the office will be closed Wednesday, December 20th for the staff Christmas Party. You can still access your FCSW for urgent matters only via their usual direct phone line.



Deadline for submissions to the February Newsletter is Thursday, January 11th. Contact Marla with any information or submissions.

Indigenous Languages Corner

Cree



shirt
pakôwayân
pah GO way ahn

blouse
pihcônes
PEEH choo nays



coat
miskôtakây
miss KOH dah kay

Saulteaux

ten
mitahso
mi DA so

1 2 3
4 5 6
7 8 9

eleven
mitahso ahsi pëšik
mi DA saw sih pay sik

twelve
mitahso ahsi nīs
mi DA saw sih nees

Pronunciations are approximate. To hear a language spoken and for access to more words, download a language app to a tablet or smart phone.

Apps used here are "Maskwacis Cree" and "Saulteaux."



Pathways Family Services 2024 Foster Parent Payroll Calendar

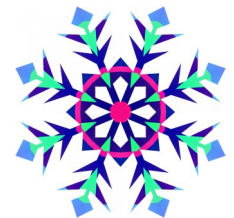
CUT OFF DATE - 12:00PM FOR THE FOLLOWING PAY DATE – RECEIPTS RECEIVED ON THE AFTERNOON OF THE CUTOFF DATE MAY NOT BE PROCESSED DEPENDING ON VOLUME. 2ND PAYROLL CUT OFF FOR DECEMBER MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

PAY DATE – DIRECT DEPOSIT OFFICIAL PAY DATES. PLEASE SCHEDULE AUTOMATIC DEBITS, ETC. FROM YOUR BANK ACCOUNTS WITH THESE DATES IN MIND. FOSTER PARENTS MAY BE PAID PRIOR TO THESE DATES TIME PERMITTING.

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Deep Freeze: A Byzantine Winter Festival *January 20 & 21 on 118 Avenue (90 - 95 Streets)*



The enchantment of Deep Freeze Festival is set to transform the winter landscape on January 20 and 21, 2024! Embrace the magic of this year's theme, "Under the Toad Stool," a joyous celebration of foraging and a nostalgic return to our Alberta roots.

Immerse yourself in the vibrant cultures that make up the fabric of Alberta Avenue District, including Ukrainian, French Canadian, Franco African, Indigenous (Métis, Inuit, Cree), Latin American, and Asian influences. Wander through the event to discover artistic creations, a homestead village, and musical celebrations that will delight your senses with music, art, and delectable treats.

Experience Pipon Village by donning a pair of snowshoes, gather 'round an open fire for bannock, tea, and cultural teachings, and join in the festivities celebrating the Olde New Year. Marvel at the brilliance of light installations, the mastery of ice sculptures, and engage in street hockey matches. Don't miss the thrilling Deep Freezer races and other captivating winter artistic expressions.

Go to deepfreezefest.ca for more information

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