



"Providing children and families with safety, stability and belonging"

Pathways Family Services Foster Care News

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Pathways office will be closed Monday,
October 13th for Thanksgiving
Contact the on-call with any emergencies.

Foster Care Appreciation Event *October date to be determined* *More details to come!*

Pathways wishes to honour the following:

25 Years of Service with Pathways
Wendy & Allan K.

15 Years of Service with Pathways
Catherine A.

10 Years of Service with Pathways
Yvonne S.

5 Years of Service with Pathways
Sarah L.



**REMINDER: Pathways office will be closed Tuesday,
September 30th for National Day for Truth & Reconciliation.
Because of this - payroll cutoff is at noon on
Monday, September 29th.**



Community Fire hosted by CURA

Thursday, September 25th (rain or shine)

Opens at 1:30 to 4:00 (snacks included)

Sir Wilfred Laurier Park - 13221 Buena Vista Road, Edmonton

Kyle Campiou, our Kihci Oskâpêw (Indigenous Cultural Advisor/Helper) is inviting us to a Community Fire. Kyle welcomes you to wear your Orange Shirts leading up to the National Day for Truth & Reconciliation.

You are invited to come and make your own tobacco offerings or prayers and or spend some time in connection and reflection with each other in "Sharing's" with our grandfather fire.

An opening spirit food offering to our Ancestors for our lost loved ones will be given at 1:30pm. Kyle will share Grandfather Fire teachings.

- ⇒ Bring your questions. Reach out to Kyle in advance for any help or with connections.
- ⇒ Bring your spiritual burnables (old medicine, hair).
- ⇒ Bring tobacco or we will provide for you.
- ⇒ Fires are always open and we encourage you to attend when you can!
- ⇒ Please bring warm clothes, a chair or blanket to sit on, and a willingness to abide or support protocol and cultural experiences.



Please register at <https://curaconnect.jotform.com/250964247001956>
Space is **not** limited, so bring a friend or family member and register soon!

Review - Pathways Policy CY-12 Point 6 - Memory Books

A Memory Book is a collection of important information and mementos to create a record of a child's life while in care. Memory books can take the format of a scrapbook or photo album and are an important record of a child's life history. Digital or electric scrapbooks can be used provided the child/ youth is provided a printed version when they leave the home. If not provided to the child/ youth the memory book must be provided to the Child Intervention Practitioner.

A Memory Book should capture moments during the entire period of time a child/ youth is placed in a foster home. A memory book should include a collection of materials regarding the child/ youth's life journey and important memories. This could include but are not limited to:

- pictures of family, placement providers, friends, places, special events.
- letters and cards from significant people.
- schoolwork and report cards, – awards and certificates.
- descriptions of favourite foods, activities, friends.
- dates of special events and milestones.



Deadline for submissions to the November Newsletter is Friday, October 10th.
Submit information to marla.schole@pathwaysfamilyservices.com



Indigenous Languages Corner

Cree

look
itâpi
ih TAH pay

listen
nitôhta
NIH toe tah

stop
nakî
nuh KEY



Saulteaux

come in
pintikēn
PEEN teh gain

show me
wapandahisin
wah pun DAY sin

wait here
pīhōn oma
pee YOH no mah



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."

SAVE THE DATE

*Foster Care
Annual General Meeting
October 28th
6:30 to 8:00*

This is a virtual meeting.
Watch your email for
further information.
Attendance by at least one
caregiver from each home is
mandatory

First Aid Training

The following dates are available for
registration for First Aid for
Edmonton Region Caregivers:

September 27
October 4
October 25
November 8
November 22
November 29



All dates are Saturdays.
Courses run from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm


Please email Pam at
pam.pillay@pathwaysfamilyservices.com
if you have First Aid expiring this year and
she can get you registered. Thanks!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Payroll Cutoff At Noon September 29th	Orange Shirt Day Office Closed	1	2	3	4
5	6	7 Official Direct Deposit Date	8	9	10	11
12 	13 Office Closed	14	15 Payroll Cutoff At Noon	Caregiver Appreciation		
19	20	21	22 Official Direct Deposit Date	23	24	25
26	27	28 Virtual AGM 6:30 To 8:00	29	30	31 Payroll Cutoff At Noon	

Submit October Child/Youth Month End Reports via Pathways Hub