

KTC CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

'ONIKANEW' (Leader/CEO)

JOB OVERVIEW

The 'ONIKANEW' plays a significant leadership role within 3 First Nation's Awaśak Wiyasiwêwin legislation. The 3 Founding First Nations of Lubicon Lake Band, Peerless Trout First Nation and Loon River First Nation has moved to assert jurisdiction and law within our child and family services program area. This role will act as an advocate, develop and deliver the mandate under the Awaśak Wiyasiwêwin legislation. The Onikanew will be provided training and support to assist in the development of the mandated service delivery. Mentoring of the governance structure will also be provided as the Office of the Onikanew is developed.

This role will also include acting as a representative of the Found First Nation (FFN) before the Dispute Resolution Tribunal, "Court system", as well as all levels of government for the review, advocacy, development and implementation of the following:

1. The Act - Awaśak Wiyasiwêwin
2. Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC)
3. Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG)
4. United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)
5. Existing and ongoing findings of the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal (CHRT)
6. Jordan's Principle and other entities as determined.
7. Liaise with Non-Indigenous, Metis and Non-Status Indigenous people as individuals or groups to improve Child and Family Programs and Services.
8. The job of the Onikanew will also include obtaining from the FFNs, other Indigenous Governing Bodies (IGBs), Provinces and Canada; records and information pertaining to members and children.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

While reporting to the Founding First Nations (FFNs), participating Indigenous Communities and the Agency; the Onikanew will carry out powers, duties and functions necessary to the achievement of the purposes of the Act.

- Prepare annual fiscal/financial statements and reports in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- Develop and deliver the CFS program
- Approve Care Homes
- Retain an Agency to carry out programming and to delegate all duties and powers in the Act to an Executive Director
- Manage and distribute funds for Operations and Programming of the Child and Family Services Program
- Will be accountable to the performance of programs and the onikanew agency by ensuring that the families that are involved have their voices heard, that their familial, cultural, social and religious heritage and beliefs are respected.
- Conduct investigations on decisions/recommendations made, acts done or omitted by any persons regarding the operations of the programs under the Act.
- Complete reports as required.
- Comply with the Act

- Act in the Best Interest of the Children.
- Provide written consent for the Agency to enter into any agreements.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- Undergraduate Degree in Social Work/Human Services with several years' experience in leadership specific to Child and Family Services.
- Graduate Degree in Social Work/Human Services with minimum 3-5 years' experience in leadership specific to Child and Family Services.
- Knowledge and Experience of government systems specific to Child and Family Services.
- Experience with policy and program development and implementation.
- Knowledge of First Nations Governance, Communities and Language(s).
- Experience with reporting and financial practices (budgeting & reporting).



~ Open until suitable candidate is found ~

Please forward to: Careers@ktccfs.ca

We thank all candidates for their interest; however, only individuals meeting the qualifications will be selected for an interview, and will be contacted.