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Métis Nation Local '8'

Medicine Hat, AB

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MIYWASIN YOUTH BACKPACK KIT PROGRAM

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Métis Nation Local 8: (403) 504-4060
Miywasin Friendship Centre (Medicine Hat): (403) 526-0756
Métis Urban Housing: (403) 504-4062
Miywasin Centre - 517 3rd Street SE, Medicine Hat, T1A 0H2

**MIYWASIN FRIENDSHIP CENTRE
VACCINE CLINIC
(50 years & up)**

On Friday, March 26, Miywasin Friendship Centre held its first COVID vaccine clinic rollout. 36 people received their Pfizer shot that day. This vaccine has an amazing 90% efficacy rating. Our follow up clinic will be in July or maybe earlier.

Special thank you to Alberta Health Services for setting up that day and providing the nurses to deliver the vaccines.



Pictured above: Two of our volunteer workers for the clinic, Carlee Eagleplume and Jolynn Parenteau, helped to navigate the clients through, sanitize the facilities and provided refreshments to clients after the injections.



On the left: Jeannette Hansen, receiving her first COVID vaccine injection. “Didn’t hurt a bit!!! And the RELIEF in getting the shot is overwhelming! I encourage everyone to get their shot.”

COVID-19 Supports available for Metis, First Nations and Inuit:

Rent relief & emergency housing,
grocery gift cards & traditional meat,
utility & phone bill arrears, staying connected online,
prescription medications filled, transportation/bus fare,
counseling supports, COVID-19 funding applications, and more.
The Metis Nation and Miywasin Friendship Centre are here to help.



Need assistance during this pandemic?

Call **Miywasin Friendship Centre**

403-526-0756

to register for COVID-19 Support.

Following health and safety guidelines,
we will deliver supports to your home.

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YOGA CLASSES



Due to the continued Covid19 gathering restrictions as posted by the Government of Alberta, Yoga for Seniors will continue to be by appointment only and only scheduled for individual instruction at Half Moon studios with Pam Goodine.

This service is free to seniors 60+.

Please call Marina to register at 403-526-0756.



INDIGENOUS SENIORS WEEKLY MEAL PROGRAM



Miywasin Friendship Centre will continue to make weekly hot meals FREE to Indigenous seniors 65+ for delivery within Medicine Hat or pick up. You must pre-register for this program. It is free to our Indigenous Seniors 65+. Please call Marina at 403-526-0756 to register. Those pre-registered will be able to pick up their meal on Fridays at Miywasin Centre – main reception area, 517 3rd Street SE between 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Everyone must follow pandemic safety protocols – hand sanitizing, wearing gloves and wearing masks. If you need Personal Protective Equipment – masks, hand sanitizer and gloves, please let us know and we will prepare packages for you to take with you or deliver.

We will do the home deliveries on Fridays from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Seniors Programs sponsored by ANFCA COVID Relief program.

Miywasin Staff Cell Phone Contacts (emergency/after hours):

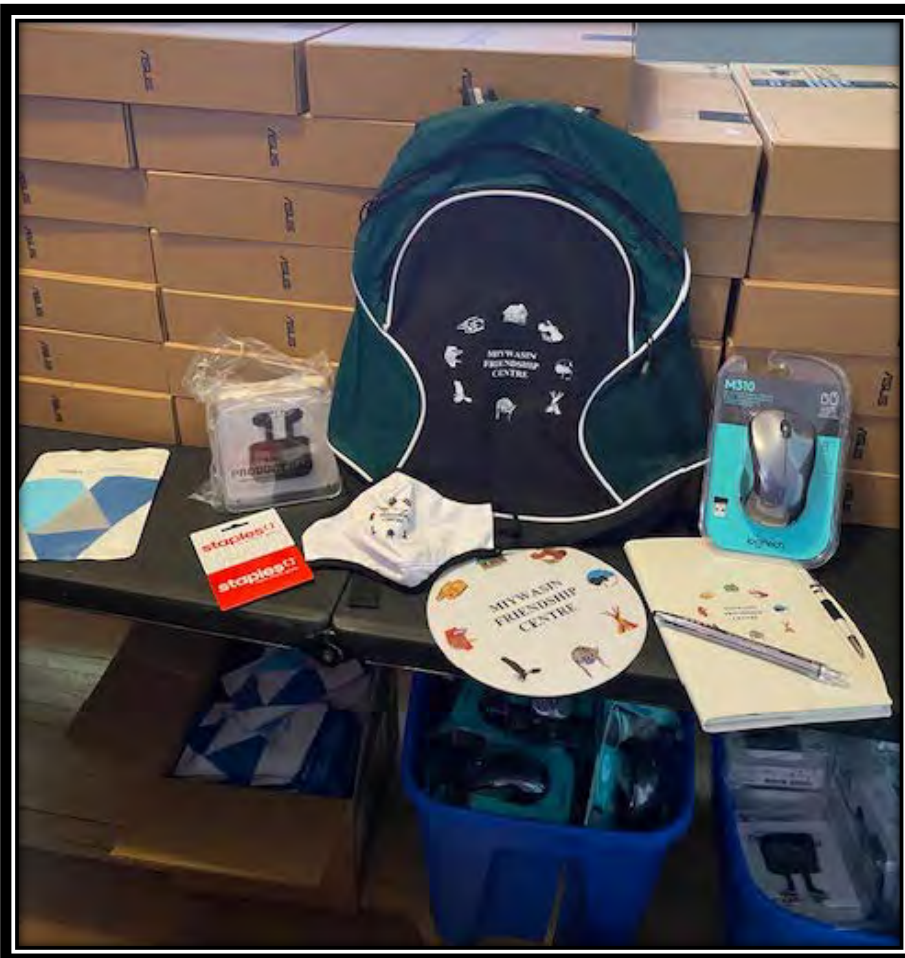
Marlene Cadotte, BSW, RSW - Counselor	403-952-8100
Chasity Cairns, BSW, RSW - Addictions Counselor	587-253-0105
Jolynn Parenteau, Support Worker	403-866-6109
Carol Syrette, BSW, RSW, Youth Program Manager	403-866-3366
Carlee Eagleplume, Youth Program Coordinator	403-878-5069

Telus has introduced **MOBILITY FOR GOOD** pre-paid account for Women.

Telus has provided Miywasin Friendship with a limited supply of phones and sim cards. This sim card once activated, includes:

Unlimited Nationwide Talk and Text & 3 GB of data available free of charge for 6 months

Please contact **Jolynn at 403-526-0756** to see if you qualify and get a phone with monthly unlimited talk, text and 3 GB of data free for six months.



The ANFCA COVID19 Supports program has provided the Miywasin Youth program with funding to put together backpack kits for students in need that include: a backpack, Chrome book, mouse, mouse pad, ear buds, pens, notebook with pen, face masks and \$50 Staples card.

These kits are available to students in need and enrolled in the Miywasin Youth Development program. To find out more about the program, please call Carlee Eagleplume at 403-526-0756.



**MIYWASIN FRIENDSHIP CENTRE
(Medicine Hat)**

Invites applications for the following:

**Parenting and Caregiver Education Program Counselor
Full-time Term Position**

Responsibilities: To coordinate and facilitate an Indigenous Parenting and Caregiver Education Program. Successful candidate will provide a program that has:

- Indigenous children and families more socially connected and linked to culturally relevant supports
- Parents and Caregivers have knowledge about parenting and child development
- provide program to develop skills and knowledge for parents and caregivers to build resilience - for children to experience healthy social and emotional development
- ensure services are consistently available, aligned effective and accountable
- and ensure programs are culturally safe and inclusive.

Such programs may include Triple P Parenting, Mothers of Tradition, Parent Sharing Circles and Mending Broken Hearts.

Candidate must have a degree/diploma in Education, Counseling, or Child Development.

A strong understanding of social work and professional ethics, as well as, strong organizational, interpersonal and communication skills. A good understanding of the diversity, customs and traditions of Aboriginal peoples. Have Brain Story certification or willing to obtain. Candidate must provide a valid driver's license and have own vehicle; hold a valid first-aid certificate or be willing to obtain; be bondable; sign an oath of confidentiality and supply a clean criminal record check and Child Welfare Information System check. Must be able to work flexible hours, including evenings and weekends. Salary will be commensurate with experience.

Submit cover letter, resume and 3 references to:

Jeannette Hansen, Executive Director
mjeannettehansen@gmail.com or by mail to:
517 3rd St. SE
Medicine Hat, AB T1A 0H2

Competition will remain open until suitable candidate for position is found. Only qualified individuals will be contacted for an interview. *We thank all those who apply.*



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WEBSITE ON COVID 19 SUPPORTS AVAILABLE.**

www.albertametis.com