





On May 27, 2021, the remains of 215 Indigenous children were found on the grounds of Kamloops Indian Residential School. We grieve the loss of these children and all those who were lost in the residential school system. The uncovering of these unmarked graves has sparked the search of hundreds of former residential school sites across Canada. As searches continue, thousands of unmarked graves have been discovered.

In honour and recognition of this tragic loss, Atlohsa Family Healing Services hosted a sacred fire last June 2 to June 4, 2021 at Harris Park in London. This was an opportunity for community members to visit and support each other through the grieving process.

We recognize the impacts of the residential school system continue to be felt within our community today. A National Indian Residential Crisis Line is available to provide support for anyone affected by the Residential School system. You can access their emotional and crisis referral services by calling their 24-Hour Crisis Line at 1-866 925-4419.

RE-STRENGTHENING THE

COMMUNITY



Atlohsa Family Healing Services is a non-profit, charitable organization in southwestern Ontario, dedicated to providing women, men and children and youth the tools, teachings and resources supporting the journey to wellness.

OUR MISSION

To strengthen community through Indigenous-led programs and services that offer holistic healing and wellness.

OUR VISION

A community where all people have access to the supports they need to live a balanced life – physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

OUR VALUES

Our values and approach to holistic wellness are rooted in the seven sacred Grandfather Teachings and the Medicine Wheel Teachings. In addition, we honour the following values:

Acceptance

Meeting people where they are at in their healing journey, without judgement.

Safety

Providing a safe space for community members, ensuring a strengths-based, trauma-informed approach.

Family

Acknowledging the unique role and contribution of all members of the family, throughout the life span.

Empowerment

Holding space for each community member to take leadership in their own healing journey, in their own time.

Integrity

Upholding our commitment to community with the greatest responsibility and accountability.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Shekoli, Boozhoo, Aanii, Tansi, Kwey, Hello!

We are so excited to present our 2021 / 2022 Annual Report to the Atlohsa community! This past year has been another year of rapid changes, growth, and adjustments for the organization, staff, community, and Board as we navigate the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. As pandemic restrictions have evolved, we have been welcoming staff, Board and community members back into our spaces to gather in person in that good way we have all missed.

We have so many new developments to share! We have supported emergency response efforts including evacuation efforts, a winter homelessness response, and COVID-19 hotel responses. We have created new spaces, partnerships and relationships. We have been working on the development of a new Healing Lodge. Our social enterprise, Atlohsa Gifts, has relocated to a new storefront location at 240 Richmond St. We have a brand-new website. Most significantly, we have continued to support community through so many Indigenous-led programs and services that strive for the resurgence of Indigenous ways and knowing, doing and being. Atlohsa continues to grow and innovate through the development of new programs and services guided by our mission, vision, and values based in Indigenous culture. You will find these stories and more throughout the pages of this report.

We hope you will enjoy hearing about the progress and changes we've made and encourage you to become more interested and involved! We would like to recognize the incredible contributions of our community over this past year. Thank you for recognizing the importance of supporting Indigenous-led solutions to the challenges in our community. If you are looking for ways to continue to make an impact, consider giving your time, energy and talents to Atlohsa by volunteering; attend local events led by Atlohsa year-round; or consider donating make a donation to help us continue to provide the programs, services, and essential items needed most.

We remember our Elder Marlene Green (1939-2021), whose loss is still being felt.

Yaw^ko and Miigwech, Shirley Honyust, President and Andrea Jibb, Acting Executive Director



SHIRLEY HONYUST President



ANDREA JIBB
Acting Executive Director

INDIGENOUS MENTAL WELLNESS

The Indigenous Mental Wellness program works to ensure that cultural knowledge and practice are fluid throughout Atlohsa and accessible to all community members and staff. The program offers a range of personalized and outcome-focused supports to women, men, youth, children and caregiver participants, including access to meaningful activities and programs in one-on-one or group settings.



Highlights

- Offered one-on-one supports to 48 unique individuals and assisted with 19 crisis calls/walk-ins.
- Welcomed over 400 relatives from Wabaseemoong First Nations in northern Ontario who were evacuated to London due to forest fires.
- Hosted a feast for the evacuees from Wabaseemoong First Nations along with the surrounding First Nations communities.
- Held a weekly Elders Support Line sessions with 12 participants each week.
- Hosted a 3-day Importance ZOOM Session with 257 attendees.
- Indigenous Stories with Auntie Hallie ran 15 groups with 271 attendees.

ZHAAWANONG WOMEN'S SHELTER

(Ojibwe "south, change, renewal, growth, nurture")

Zhaawanong Shelter provides emergency shelter and support for Indigenous women and their children who are at risk of violence, abuse and/or homelessness. This year, the shelter has experienced many challenges and successes in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, services were temporarily offered out of a hotel. Although this raised some obstacles to providing service, the shelter utilized the time away to complete much-needed renovations in order to make the space safer for women and children. This effort succeeded through several fundraising efforts and grants from Women's Shelters of Canada.





Renovated space for shelter participants.

- Support provided to 42 women and 31 children.
- 429 callers were offered support through the Crisis Line.
- The average length of stay was 70 days.



KENKWITE': NE HEALING SPACE

(Mohawk "the spring")

The Indigenous Healing Space at London Health Sciences Centre is an Indigenous-led healing space within the hospital that provides participants an opportunity to define what their needs are in a healthcare setting using the seven grandfather teachings. This year, Atlohsa in partnership with LHSC, has created the role of Indigenous Healing Space Liaison. The purpose of this role is to ensure the voice of our community is heard within LHSC.

Highlights

- 1,613 community members attended the space for support.
- 136 community members were able to access interpretation services within hospital.
- 131 community members accessed an Elder, Knowledge Keeper or Traditional Healer within the Healing Space.

NAME CHANGE TO KENKWITE': NE HEALING SPACE

Kenkwite':ne is a Mohawk concept that was shared by the designer of the Indigenous Healing Space Bill Hill. Bill is the Director of Indigenous Mental Wellness at Atlohsa Family Healing Services and a Mohawk from Six Nations. Translated into English, this word means 'The Spring'. The concept of Kenkwite':ne speaks to the idea of creating a safe environment for a seed to grow in.





Manager of Healing Services & Liaison, Dylan White. Photo: LHSC

BIIGAJIISKAAN: PATHWAYS TO MENTAL WELLNESS

(Ojibwe concept that describes how a broken, rotting tree feeds new life.)



Biigajiiskaan is an Indigenous-led mental wellness program grounded in a wholistic engagement approach to care that combines traditional healing medicine and knowledges with hospital-based healthcare and practices. The program is based in a formal co-lead partnership between Atlohsa Family Healing Services and two local hospitals, St. Joseph's Health Care London and London Health Science Centre. This partnership both bridges and enhances services at the community and regional hospital level.

Highlights

- Launched a holistic assessment and a mobile outreach team which significantly increased access to hospital-level mental wellness supports.
- Support provided to 42 Indigenous clients experiencing severe, persistent mental health imbalance.
- Provided 16 culture-based groups.
- Partnered with SOAHAC to provide a culture-based, comprehensive humanitarian health and wellness response in landing over 400 evacuees from Wabaseemoong First Nations.
- Staff provided nursing support to 10 Indigenous vaccine clinics in partnership with SOAHAC, N'Amerind Friendship Centre, Oneida Paramedics, and the Middlesex London Health Unit.
- Entered into an MOU with St. Joseph's Healthcare London (SJHC), which formalized the already successful partnership between Atlohsa and SJHC.
- Formalized referral and care pathways have been set up with Atlohsa's other services, as well as with SOAHAC, St. Joseph's Healthcare London, London Intercommunity Health Centre, and London Health Sciences Centre, while pathways with the local Nations and N'Amerind Friendship Centre are also under development.

SUPPORTED

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RELATIVES

[The cultural aspect]
"really inspired me to
come... I feel so good
when I walk in the door... I
can feel the love in here...
it is part of my healing...I
feel safe in here... I made
new friendships."

- Biigajiiskaan participant

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KIIZHAY ANISHINABE NIIN

(Ojibwe "I am a kind man")

This Indigenous-led program provides education for men to address issues of abuse, re-establish their roles and responsibilities, and support Indigenous men who choose not to use violence. Participants learn how to restore balance within the self, the family, and the community.

Highlights

- The program continues to operate in a hybrid format, making it more accessible for participants.
- A participant who completed 12 weeks of the program has grown into a responsible single parent and completed his co-op placement in the shelter as part of his formal education.
- Last summer, the fires in Northern Ontario forced Wabaseemong First Nations to evacuate to London.
 Following the leadership of Atlohsa, the men in the program stepped up in the best way they could with supports and hospitality. These efforts had our participants in the kitchen help to prepare fish, deer and other traditional foods, as well as help set up of tents, chairs, and sound system, in addition to providing security.

MEDICINE WHEEL

Medicine Wheel is a 12-step program that places Indigenous cultures and traditions at its core while utilizing a client-centred, strength-based approach to healing. The program facilitates the resurgence of Indigenous identity by providing the resources for participants to learn about their cultures and traditions as a way of life. This reaffirming of cultural identity assists participants on their lifelong wellness journey.

- Staff have worked consistently to ensure women and men were provided with a consistent, weekly Medicine Wheel support group.
- There were 52 Medicine Wheel groups and 442 participants throughout the 2021-2022 year.



MINO BIMAADIZIWIN

(Ojibwe "a good way of life")

The Mino Bimaadiziwin Program provides early intervention to child witnesses of violence against women so that they may heal from the harms of witnessing violence. Such early intervention allows witnesses to avoid the later need for more intensive supports and aids in leading a safe and well-balanced life. Atlohsa's Child and Youth Team worked diligently through a global pandemic to ensure women and children were provided with wholistic mental health and culture-based healing.

Highlights

- Provided 150 backpacks with school supplies to families.
- The CAS Discretionary Fund delivered through the program provided 10 children and youth with basic needs and transition supports.
- 61 attendees participated in The Talking Truth Conference centred around Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention for children and youth.
- The virtual Self Care Bingo ran for 4 weeks during the pandemic to enhance wellness and coping strategies for children and youth at home. These events hosted 25 children/youth in total.
- The Mino Community Prevention Program provided supports to 163 women and children.
- The Mino Bimaadiziwin Program served 204 children and youth, and 68 women in total.



MINO MEALS

Keeping food sovereignty in mind, the Mino Meals program sought to empower community to address hunger and health issues by providing nutritious and traditional meals to children, youth, men and women in community. Running from Monday to Friday, the hot meal program delivered approximately 400+ meals a week. The program now focuses on providing meals to our families in shelter and transitional housing.

- Served approximately 120 meals a day.
- The growth and demand for food has exceeded expectations in the past year and a half. As a result, the program served two meals a day, 7 days a week, to our women's shelter and our transitional housing locations with the purpose of relieving financial and emotional stress on our families.
- The program is currently being extended in order to reach our elders in community.



TRANSITIONAL SUPPORT

The Transitional Support Program provides support to women who have experienced domestic violence and require housing and wellness supports. The program provides wholistic healing and wellness for Indigenous women, acknowledging the sacredness of women as caregivers. The program also runs Kanawayhitowin (*Cree: Taking care of each other's spirit*), which is a women's group held twice a month.

Highlights

- 18 women and 29 children received support through the New Beginnings Loan.
- 105 women received support services.
- 80 women received support through the Transitional Support program.
- 2 families were housed through special priority.



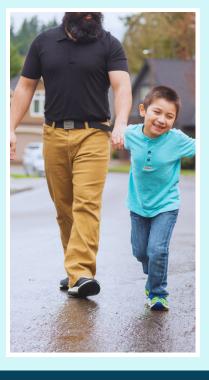
ZHAAWENJIGEWAG

(Ojibwe "a process of reaching peace with relatives")

The Zhaawenjigewag Inawemaaganag program provides culture-based peacemaking services to Indigenous families to strengthen and heal their relationships. Local Elders from Anishinaabek, Haudenosaunee, and Lene-Lenape nations guide participants through an alternative peacemaking process based in Indigenous restorative justice circles. We also offer legal support for processes in criminal court, family court and child welfare systems, as well as in police complaints, human rights tribunals, and landlord tenant boards.

Highlights

- 41 new participant intakes
- 25 virtual court accompaniments
- 38 legal support meetings
- 4 family intakes and 28 individual intakes for family circles
- Conducted 8 unique family healing circles
- Partnered with Nicole Hill-Dolson who offered one hour one-to-one sessions and shared legal opinion letters with 12 participants in Legal Clinics
- Hosted 3 free family and criminal law information sessions, with 23 participants



CONNECTION TO CULTURE

Roy*, a separated father of three, is currently going through the process of navigating Family Court. Co-parenting with his former partner has been unsuccessful and harmful. He contacted the program seeking cultural supports, in-court advocacy and presence. Since working together with the program's Cultural Justice Coordinator, he speaks with an Elder on a regular basis and participates in all program offerings. The supports provided have helped Roy feel heard, validated, supported and connected to Culture and Land on his journey.

"I can say that it is nice finding support with no strict obligations and how it is amazing finding Indigenous support within the Family Court system so close to home... Before this, it felt like most odds were against me as an Indigenous male. I felt discriminated against, treated less-than, and that the worst was assumed about me as a father and a man. I am a Traditional Man and these supports keep me connected to Creator and Spirit. Finding Zhaawenjigewag, I found someone who is willing to listen and treat me equal to everyone else. This is why I am sharing this statement. I don't feel like I am displaced, oppressed and alone, and I now have community support at my fingertips."

*Names of participants and photos have been changed to ensure confidentiality and respect of privacy.

OKAADENIGE

(Ojibwe "he or she braids things")

The Okaadenige Program supports survivors and those at risk of human trafficking, sexual exploitation and sexual abuse, through a trauma-informed, Indigenous-led, and strengths-based approach. Okaadenige hosts a private and safe survivor circle that focuses on the rebuilding of bundles and the healing support needed to live the good life. In addition, the program offers one-on-one support, access to traditional support, and provides programming to schools. In August, 2021, Okaadenige expanded: this allowed additional outreach and support services for male survivors, victims and those at risk of human trafficking or violence. In addition, it provided programming for youth and young male adults. The expansion also includes a youth violence human trafficking prevention program.

Highlights

- Held 31 outreach events and seminars throughout the year.
- 27 circles were held at the 3rd Annual Okaadenige Women's Wellness Retreat: 16 Okaadenige Survivor circles, 11 Fanshawe Women's circles, 22 Okaadenige For Him circles for boys, and 7 Youth Violence Human Trafficking Prevention circles.
- Partnered with TVDSB to provide Anti Human Trafficking support, awareness and education in Urban secondary schools.
- 20 survivors accessed equine therapy.
- Led the MMIWGBM National Day of Action event which focused on the conversation around boys and men.
- Elyssa Rose awarded Pillar Non Profit Community Impact Award for her Anti-Human Trafficking work done through Okaadenige.







Indigenous Advocate and Anti Human Trafficking Coordinator, Elyssa Rose - recipient of the Pillar Community Innovation Award for Community Impact.

HELD OVER

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CIRCLES



"I think I especially grew close to Elyssa and Alicia because they never looked down on us in the circle, but instead they looked at us as equals, as sisters. And after a few short months, I realized I had found a sisterhood I would have for the rest of my life..."

- Survivor, Okaadenige Participant

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GIWETASHKAD

(Ojibwe "bringing people home")

Giwetashkad started in 2017 as a strategic planning process to create an Indigenous homelessness strategy for London, where there is a 29% rate of Indigenous homelessness. The completion and launch of the Giwetashkad Indigenous Homelessness Strategic Plan has evolved to a suite of homelessness programs and services aligned with the four Strategic Directions of the Plan.

Highlights

- Implemented Strategic Direction Three of the Giwetashkad Indigenous Homelessness Strategic Plan (Giiwitaabiwag) which focuses on cultivating community leadership and ensuring culturally safe services are available to Indigenous peoples at risk of or currently experiencing homelessness.
- Launched the Wiigiwaaminaan Winter Response with Coordinated Informed Response (City of London) to house unsheltered individuals during the winter months.
- Launched the Wiiji'iwewin Rent Supplement program where eligible applicants can receive a lump sum gift to pay rent.

GIIWITAABIWAG

(Ojibwe "returning to sit in a circle")

With generously secured funding from London Community Foundation, Atlohsa has developed Giiwitaabiwag, a capacity building initiative that is assisting allied service providers and organizations in gaining skills for effectively supporting Indigenous peoples. The goal of the program is to inform and improve relationships with partner agencies so that Indigenous peoples who are experiencing homelessness can have better, more culturally relevant intakes and assessments in the community. In Fall, 2021, Atlohsa introduced Module One of the Giiwitaabiwag Indigenous Training Series. These programs incorporate Indigenous concepts and history while exploring various perspectives to increase understanding.

- Needs assessment consulted 25 Indigenous people with lived experience of homelessness, 100 service providers and 2 knowledge keepers.
- Hosted 26 Module One training sessions and 6 custom training sessions.
- 251 service providers and 11 unique organizations completed Module One Training.
- 137 service providers completed custom training sessions
- Hosted 2 Community Fires with 96 attendees.
- 8 professional development opportunities for staff.







YAKHIYA'TAKENHAS YUKWAHWATSILAY^TU' SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

(Oneida "they and I are helping families")

Yakhiya'takenhas Yukwahwatsilay^tu' Transitional Housing Program is a transitional housing program for Indigenous women and their dependent children who are experiencing violence or homelessness, or at risk. The program has 11 units in total, with onsite laundry facilities, a meeting area for programming or meetings with supports, a shared kitchen area, a play area and TV common area for children.

Highlights

- Yakhiya'takenhas program received 49 applications.
- The program helped house 17 participants in permanent housing.
- Supported 5 participants in getting treatment, training, employment, and reconnecting with family.

WIIGIWAAMINAAN WINTER RESPONSE

The Wiigiwaaminaan Winter Response is a temporary program that worked with the City of London's Coordinated Informed Response to house people during the winter months. The program provided access for individuals experiencing unsheltered homelessness and was the first emergency shelter to provide access to land-based healing within the city. It was launched at the beginning of December, 2021, with the shelter next to Parkwood Institute.







Wiigiwaaminaan shelter located next to Parkwood Institute. / Photo: Moses Odida

- Supported 36 individuals from various nations during the response: 18 moved to housing, 1 to treatment and 1 to a long-term care provider.
- 38 individuals were assisted with applications to RGI housing, taxes, and other financial and administrative supports.
- 13 individuals were reconnected with their families and/or moved to transitional housing and permanent housing.
- 1 family moved to permanent housing.
- 1 participant was hired as a full-time Firekeeper.

STREET OUTREACH AND DROP-IN CENTRE

Atlohsa's Street Outreach and Drop-In program provides support to community members experiencing unsheltered homelessness. The Street Outreach team has the unique opportunity to work out of the community and provide much-needed support to people throughout the London area.

Highlights

- Over 300 interactions with individuals who are mostly Indigenous, in addition to some non-Indigenous individuals; intense supports provided, including attending court, probation, lawyer, and medical appointments.
- Assisted 40 individuals in obtaining ID and 15 individuals in getting employment.
- Helped 10 individuals reconnect with family and friends.
- Housed 5 individuals directly from the street.
- Distributed over 50 smudge kits, 250 tobacco ties, 261 Naloxone kits, and 500 harm reduction kits.





WIIJI'IWEWIN RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM

(Ojibwe "to help," "assistance")

Developed by Giwetashkad in the latter part of the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the Rent Supplement Program provided a small glimpse at the potential of what the program can offer in the future. It ran from February to March, 2022, and was established as a rapid strategy to assist low- and moderate-income Indigenous people that were paying a high percentage of their income on rent.

- The program provided over \$250,000 based on income eligibility to help 63 Indigenous households with rent in March 2022. With an average of \$4,000 per participant, this lump sum provided extra help with rent and living expenses.
- 11 participants received more than \$8,000 and 5 participants received a maximum amount of \$10,000.
- A participant cried over the phone and was extremely grateful for having received the maximum amount.
 She continuously explained how life has been kicking her down and how she has been feeling overwhelmed. She had never won anything of any kind or received any cash prizes. As a result of receiving the sum to support with her housing costs, she turned her debt around and was able to break through her immediate financial pressures.
- Due to the success of this short-term opportunity, the Rent Supplement Program received more funding for the 2022-2023 fiscal year and was renamed to Wiiji'iwewin for the new year.



"Months ago, my life hit rock bottom - I was so deep into my alcoholism. My health quickly deteriorated and I completely isolated from my family and friends due to shame and guilt. I truly became powerless over my addiction and I lost control of my life.

I ended up in detox and in the ER twice, where I was referred to Aaron, who ran the Medicine Wheel Group at Atlohsa. I was in desperate need of support after getting clean from the detox centre. I started attending the Tuesday night meetings, where I slowly started to open up about myself and my struggle with alcoholism. After my mother's passing last year, I felt very alone which led my alcoholism to spiral out of control.

But I learned that the opposite of addiction is connection! I am so grateful for the new connections I was creating within the group. I felt my sobriety strengthening! I found the group dynamic and Aaron's words of encouragement to be a comfort to me. I could openly share in the circle without worrying about judgement, and it felt like a safe space for me. I enjoyed when Aaron smudged sage, followed by him singing and drumming – connecting to the Creator. This was the first time I've ever been completely clean and sober – this time felt different ... in the most positive way. I found myself reading the Native Elder Meditations every morning on my own. It started my days off into a fresh direction, bringing me peace and clarity. I've also been studying the twelve steps by reading the literature Aaron provided. I truly have been connecting to my higher power – the Creator!

I recently completed treatment and I have strong goals to help continue on my sober path. I'm going to attend another rehab treatment, Rainbow Lodge up in Manitoulin Island, where I'll connect to the Creator on a deeper level. Until then, I am attending Recovery Support with Westover for the next nineteen weeks. In six months, I'll be attending Stage Two by going back to Westover for another week in treatment. This will strengthen my sobriety even more.

Once again, I'm incredibly grateful for being able to be a part of the Medicine Wheel group, it has helped me immensely and I'll continue to attend the Tuesday night meetings. This has become part of my recovery plan going forward. Addiction is a lifelong chronic disease, so I must continue attending meetings and reaching out for support, for as long as Atlohsa provides it. Thank you."

- Medicine Wheel Participant

^{*}Names of participants and photos have been changed to ensure confidentiality and respect of privacy.

RELIGHTING THE FIRE OF HOPE ORANGE SHIRT CAMPAIGN

This past year, we have seen our Relighting the Fire of Hope Orange Shirt campaign grow to inspire awareness, action and change across our community.

On May 28, 2021, during the planning of our 2021 Orange Shirt campaign – an event planned for September 30th – the discovery of 215 unmarked graves at former residential schools across the nation became public. With the unearthing of the 215 children in Kamloops, a national and global awakening began to take place.

By mid-June, a public march was planned by our community partners and friends for July 1st, Canada Day. Our small one-person gift shop became the center of a London community wishing to show their solidarity.



Orange shirt designed by Mushkego Cree artist, Hawlii Pichette

In response to the sea of requests, we have sold over 11,000 orange shirts over the whole fiscal year. Staff, volunteers, friends, family and community members have pulled together in the spirit of truth and reconciliation to support this initiative.

Proceeds of this campaign supported the Atlohsa Family Healing Services' Mino Bimaadiziwin program, which supports children, youth and their caregivers who have experienced violence and unhealthy relationships in the home or community as a direct impact and lasting effect of residential schools.

The community support for our Relighting the Fire of Hope Orange Shirt Campaign has, and continues to be, humbling.



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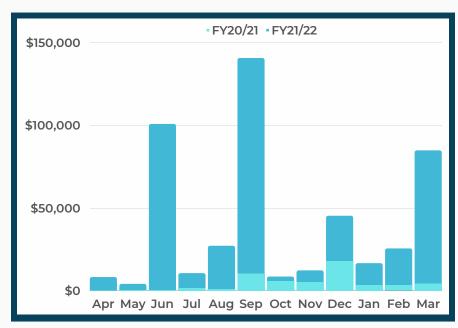


On July 1, 2021, about 10,000 Londoners participated in the Turtle Island Healing Walk hosted by our community partners and friends. Many of the walkers wore Atlohsa's orange shirts. / Photo: Aries Digital Media & Art Connolly Photography

ATLOHSA GIFTS

Atlohsa Gifts, Atlohsa's social enterprise, features unique items from First Nations, Métis and Inuit artisans and businesses across Canada. The shop features a selection of men's, women's, kids' and babies' apparel and accessories, as well as jewelry, traditional medicines, and home décor. All proceeds support programs and services at Atlohsa Family Healing Services.

On December 5, 2021, Atlohsa Gifts moved to its new location at 240 Richmond Street. In-store shopping was re-opened on December 7, 2021. This past fiscal year, over 6,000 transactions were processed resulting in \$430,147 in total sales.



Year-over-tear sales growth comparison in Atlohsa Gifts.





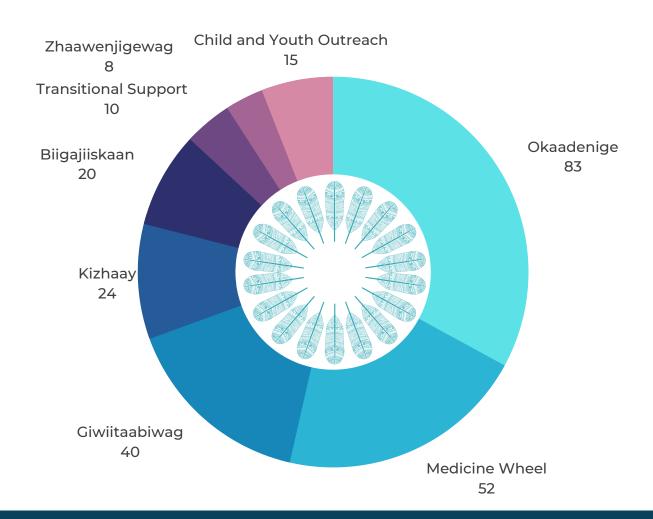




2021/2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

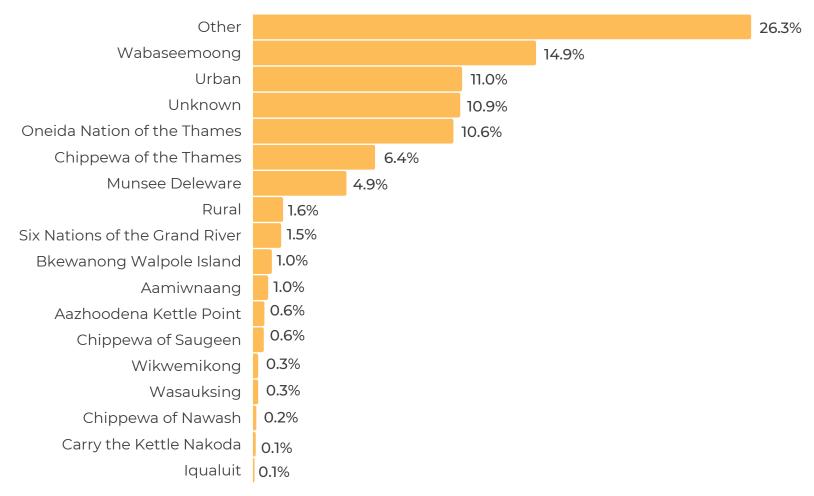
PROGRAM	TOTAL
Zhaawanong Shelter (Women)	42
Zhaawanong Shelter (Children)	31
Crisis Line	429
Kizhaay	105
Transitional Support	80
Medicine Wheel	442
Zhaawenjigewag	41
Rapid Rehousing	50
Indigenous Holistic Wellness	450
Giwiitaabiwag Cultural Safety	484
Street Outreach and Drop In	300
LHSC Healing Space	1,613
Okaadenige	98
Biigajiiskaan	42
Housing First	23
St George St.	24
Wiigiwaaminaan Shelter	38
Mino Bimaadiziwin	272
Indigenous Mental Wellness	47
Mino Meals (Community & Prevention)	163
Child and Youth Outreach	271



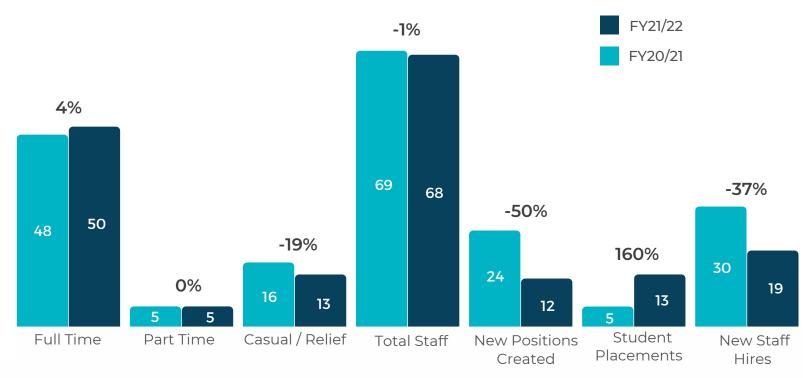


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PARTICIPANTS WHO SELF-IDENTIFY AS INDIGENOUS



PERSONNEL HIGHLIGHTS



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Wahsayzee Deleary

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Kahnekiyostha Elijah

Howard Elijah

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Mary Lou Smoke

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HAPPY RETIREMENT, CYNTHIA!



Cynthia Kennedy has been the backbone of Atlohsa for most of the agency's existence. Cynthia's contributions to this organization are immeasurable.

As our Director of Finance, Cynthia provided leadership in helping to ensure the agency was able support community when it needed it the most. We are forever grateful to Cynthia for her 23 years of dedicated service, passion, wisdom and leadership to Atlohsa Family Healing Services.

Cynthia is a grandmother, mother, sister, aunt, relative and friend to many in our community. Atlohsa Family Healing Services continues to strive in serving the Indigenous community because of the leadership exemplified by Cynthia in her work, family and community. In her leading by example, we've seen how Cynthia's bundle of knowledge, both professional and personal, has been absorbed into the medicine of who we are within the Atlohsa Family Healing Services.

We wish Cynthia and her family a very enjoyable retirement and look forward to maintaining a connection to her and her family for years to come.

Yaw^ko Cynthia!



IN LOVING MEMORY OF TRISTAN STEPHEN

1997-2022

Tristan first came to Atlohsa almost 4 years ago. He had this special way of bringing people together. Over the years as we walked alongside him, his gift of bringing people together was shared time and time again. Tristan was a teacher who taught so many of us important lessons on how to support Indigenous youth in that really good way. We are really proud to say that Tristan was successfully housed at the time of his passing, and we thank his circle of support, those whom he brought together to make that happen.

Tristan was known for having a sense of humor and an energy about him that just drew people to him. Tristan was kind, caring and funny. He loved his loud music, pizza and chicken fingers and always shared what little he had. Tristan was a great helper and had the opportunity to reconnect with his culture in ways that were meaningful for him.

Tristan has left us with so many teachings that we are so grateful for. The gifts that Tristan shared are going to help other Indigenous youth who may face the same struggles that he did. His absence is going to be greatly felt and his lessons sorely missed.













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