

## Healing Fund Project Summary: Spring 2018

At its spring 2018 meeting, The United Church of Canada's Healing Fund Council met to consider applications to the Healing Fund and reviewed 26 proposals. At the end of the meeting, 12 proposals were approved for total funding of \$150,000.

File Number	Organization and Project Name	Project Description	Amount of Grant
60218011500	Plains Presbytery and Aboriginal Ministries Circle, Youth Leadership, Horse Therapy	The youth from Plains Presbytery will be engaged in an equine assisted learning program at Cartier Farms, engaged in culturally appropriate programming that will focus on the sacred connection with the horse and traditional camping activities.	\$8,000
60218011495	Kawacatoose First Nation Health Center, Kawacatoose Men's Group	The Men's Group will meet regularly to work toward healing and wellness for themselves and their families. Talking circles will be held and other support activities are provided such as gym night, traditional ceremonies, sweats, and opportunities for all families to gather.	\$15,000
60218011486	All Native Circle Conference, Youth Development Program	A five-day youth event at the Sandy Saulteaux Spiritual Centre for 18 youth from Keewatin Presbytery, All Tribes, Plains, and Great Lakes. The focus will be cultural activities, ceremony, and land-based activities.	\$15,000
60218011499	Mikai'sto Foundation, Pommaksinni Project	An Aboriginal health facilitator will deliver concepts addressing addictions with preference on opioid prevention with the help of Elders teaching while engaging art therapy.	\$15,000
60218011487	Rev. Vernon Grieves Memorial United Church, Reviving Traditional Cree Songs and Drummaking	A two-day workshop for 24 people on drum making, sharing stories, and learning traditional Cree drum songs.	\$7,917
60218011482	Cree Women of Eeyou Istchee Association, 3rd Gookumnooch Gathering	The goal of the project is to compile and build upon the Grandmothers' teachings that were gathered at the 2nd Grandmothers gathering. The teachings gathered will be printed for use as a tool to educate Eeyou/Eenou in Eeyou Istchee.	\$15,000

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60218011498	OUTSaskatoon, Rejoining the Circle	The Two Spirit Powwow is a cultural celebration that works toward the decolonization of gender identity and gender expression. This powwow will be a significant step for Saskatoon and surrounding communities and will bring together people from across Western Canada.	\$10,000
602180114780	West Region Child and Family Services, Inc., Reclaiming Our Voices	The Women's Gathering takes place for four days as a land-based cultural healing camp that welcomes 100+ women from nine Indigenous communities. They learn traditional and western healing methods to work on their healing journeys. Many have children in care or are at high risk of losing their children.	\$15,000
60218011489	Touchwood Agency Tribal Council, Posakanacihk Cultural Camp	To initiate a youth cultural camp using the Indigenous languages as the principal tools for communication. Language will be used as a tool to teach, heal, and revitalize the youth in the recovery of our language and way of life.	\$15,000
60218011484	Pacific Association of First Nations Women, Caring for Our Children in Care	This project will bring Indigenous youth in foster care together to learn cultural teachings from Elders in the community.	\$7,343
60218011494	Indigenous Women's Association of Maliseet and Mi'kmaq Territories, Peaceful Traditions	To hold a two-day gathering for 20 women to learn modern and traditional skills for conflict resolution, group dynamics, empathetic communication, ceremonies, techniques, and exercises to improve interpersonal communication skills. This is to teach women to recognize and help them break free from the pitfalls of lateral violence and of a broken spirit.	\$11,740
60218011488	Five Oaks Education and Retreat Centre, Wampum	Wampum is a unique summer camp experience that was developed to address racism that affects Indigenous youth derived from the negative attitude toward them in the wider community. 20 youth (Indigenous and non-Indigenous) will come together and learn about racism and residential school and develop friendships that promote reconciliation.	\$15,000
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$150,000</b>