

# RHT Past Annuities Settlement - Collective Fund Survey: A Message from CEO Brendan Huston

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As we approach the distribution of the individual amounts from NFN's Robinson Huron Treaty (RHT) Past Annuities Settlement, I want to update you on another one of our important planning efforts related to the collective amounts. As you may remember, 25% of NFN's settlement funds have been set aside to support current and future generations. It's important to note that no decision has been made about what structure will be used for the collective amounts (existing trust, a new trust, restricted fund, etc.), how they will be governed, or what the priority and focus areas will be for their use. We ask for your participation in a community survey to hear from you about how NFN's collective fund amounts should be managed, used, and reported on for the benefit of all NFN members.

## The survey seeks your thoughts on:

- Lessons learned from our experience with the 2013 Boundary Claim Trust
- How you would like to see the collective amounts/fund governed
- What the priority and focus areas should be for the collective amounts

## Our initial phase of community engagement includes:

1. One-on-One interviews with a sample of our community (current/former leadership, on-reserve/off-reserve members, youth, elders) **If you completed an interview, you do not need to complete a survey**
2. Focus Groups (Youth, Elders, Business Leaders, On-Reserve East, On-Reserve West, and Off-Reserve)
3. Community Survey - **Survey Submission Deadline: Friday, September 6, 2024**

Once the initial phase is complete, we will provide an initial report to Chief and Council before hosting more on- and off-reserve engagement sessions in the fall. The purpose of this is to summarize the feedback received from the community, and identify potential structure options (based on the feedback) and priority areas for the collective amounts. The community will then be able to comment on these options and make more suggestions during the fall engagement sessions.

While more updates will be released in the following weeks, I want to assure you that there will be plenty of opportunity to provide your feedback, through the formats above or in the engagement sessions later this fall.

Miigwech for your time and for providing your feedback. We have a tremendous opportunity and responsibility to ensure our collective fund approach supports our current and future generations.

**Access the Survey:**

Visit [portal.nfn.ca](https://portal.nfn.ca)

or

Scan the QR code



**If you have any questions, comments, or are interested in participating in a focus group, please contact:**

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