

Enkamgak



Binaakwii Giizis (Falling Leaves Moon) | October 2025

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**Community Nishnaabemwin
Language Classes are back!**
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Nbisiing Nishnaabe 37th Annual Dewegigewaad *The Place Where the Drums Are Sounded*



This year's Pow Wow carried the theme Wiinmaage Naadziwin Kendaaswin – Passing Down Traditional Knowledge, reminding us of the importance to share teachings

from one generation to the next. The songs, dances, and stories shared throughout the weekend reflected the strength of our Nation and the responsibility we carry to pass this knowledge forward.

With record-breaking attendance, an abundance of amazing vendors, and the unwavering support of our community, the



37th Annual Dewegigewaad was a true celebration of resilience, learning, and unity.

New NFN Eagle Staff

Nipissing First Nation recently welcomed a new Eagle Staff, brought to life by respected Elder Dan Commanda with the support of community helpers. NFN introduced the Staff during a powerful sunrise ceremony on August 28. The Staff was honoured later that day with a feast. Adorned by hand over three months, it features detailed beadwork and meaningful symbols, including a deer, antlers, and deer toes—representing the Nation's identity. Feathers from the previous staff were included to honour tradition and maintain spiritual continuity. As Nipissing's flag, the Eagle Staff is more than a ceremonial item—it is a sacred symbol of unity, strength, and direction. Dan shared that this new Staff will guide the community in a healthy direction and act as a spiritual anchor during gatherings and ceremonies.

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Nipissing First Nation

NFN Membership Portal

- **View confidential documents** (Robinson Huron Treaty Past Annuities Settlement, Chief & Council)
- Sign up to **receive Enkamgak / Newsletter** and/or **Job Postings by email.**
- **Student registration**

Register at
portal.nfn.ca or
scan the QR
code:



Each element carries teachings, prayers, and stories, reminding everyone of their shared responsibilities. It is not just a visual symbol—it is a carrier of prayers, history, and hope, honouring the past while inspiring future generations.



Miss Nbisiing Shkiniikwe 2025

Miss Nbisiing Shkiniikwe is a cultural pageant open to young women ages 13–25, held annually on the Friday before the Nbisiing Pow Wow. This year, seven contestants proudly participated, with **Aiyanna Gonawabi of Atikameksheng Anishinabek crowned as the 2025–2026 Miss Nbisiing Shkiniikwe**. The pageant was founded in 2017 by Samantha Mianskum and was renamed in 2025 to honour the Nbisiing language and reflect the cultural responsibilities of the role. Titleholders represent Nbisiing Nishnaabeg across Turtle Island at powwows, round dances, and conferences, serving as ambassadors of pride, leadership, and tradition.

Aiyanna, a Bear Clan member and Early Years Educator Assistant, is passionate about teaching and preserving Indigenous language and culture. She lives a lifestyle free of alcohol and drugs and is committed to inspire youth through education, creativity, and cultural engagement. Her dedication to community and tradition makes her a strong and proud representative of Nipissing First Nation.



Christina Beauce, Samantha Mianskum, Georgia Mianskum, Ariel Nakogee, Aiyanna Gonawabi, Kelsey Borgford, Sassa Linklater, Ava Couchie, Angel Armstrong, Jacie Martel. Missing: Brooklyn Sawyer

Jacie's Memengwaa Special

Jacie's Memengwaa Special was hosted by Lead Youth Female Dancer Jacie Martel on Saturday afternoon. Open to youth ages 13–17, this Fancy Dance special celebrated both traditional and contemporary styles of women's Fancy Shawl powwow dancing. Old Style Fancy Shawl dancing is graceful and expressive, honouring the movements of butterflies and the resilience of women. Contemporary Fancy Shawl dancing brings vibrant energy and fast footwork, showcasing the evolution of the dance while staying rooted in tradition. Jacie's special created a space for young dancers to shine, honour their teachings, and celebrate their identities through movement, regalia, and community support.



Jacie Martel

Kelsey Borgford's Old Style Jingle Special

Kelsey Borgford's Head Woman Old Style Jingle Special was held during Saturday Night Live and honoured the healing power of the Jingle Dress dance. Rooted in Anishinaabe tradition, the Jingle Dress originated from a vision that brought healing to a sick child, and today continues to carry prayers and strength through each step and jingle. The Old Style of Jingle Dress dancing is slower and more deliberate, emphasizing the spiritual connection and ceremonial purpose of the dance. Kelsey's special honoured this sacred tradition, inviting dancers to embody healing, resilience, and respect for the teachings carried through generations.



Kelsey Borgford

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Beaudette Singing Special

Community member Zach Beaudette hosted the fourth annual Beaudette Singing Special, inspired by his powwow journey with his son Finnley. They began with a hand drum contest, later evolving into a 2-Man Band competition. This special honours their story, with the winning duo receiving a big drum handcrafted by Zach and Finnley.

Honouring Our Singers: Saturday Night Live Singing Special

This year, we hosted a Singing Special in honour of the singers and drummers—the heart of every powwow. Their songs carry our dances, uplift our spirits, and bring our community together. The Singing Special was proudly sponsored by Gen 7 Fuel, located in Jocko Point, Nipissing First Nation.

- 1st Place: Juniper Singers
- 2nd Place: Boys from the Island
- 3rd Place: Whispering Winds

Local Artist Designs 2025 Powwow T-shirts

NFN Member Savannah McLeod designed the t-shirt logo to reflect the teachings of the medicine wheel. Her artwork includes animals that sit in each direction, traditional plant medicines, and elements that represent the spiritual, emotional, physical, and mental aspects of the wheel. Each detail carries meaning, honouring balance, connection, and Indigenous knowledge.



Ian Campeau honoured with Lifetime Achievement Award

Ian Campeau was honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award on August 28th, hosted by Anishinabek Nation 7th Generation Charity. Walking Alongside Services Staff are proud of Ian and the incredible work he has done in our community, uplifting voices and inspiring positive change through his dedication and leadership.



Ian Campeau, Ian's daughter and Grand Council Chief Linda Debassige

Notice to Beneficiaries of the Robinson Huron Treaty

You and your First Nation may be affected by a court application to assess the lawyers' fees on the past annuities settlement.



**Robinson Huron Treaty
LITIGATION FUND**

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek and Garden River First Nation have commenced a court application against the lawyers of the Robinson Huron Treaty Litigation Fund (RHTLF) and members of the RHTLF's Litigation Management Committee. The application says that the lawyers' fees were too high and it asks the court to reduce them (the "Assessment Application").

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Notice to Beneficiaries of the Robinson Huron Treaty (continued)

On April 22, 2024, the trustees of the RHTLF approved a legal fees proposal for \$510 million, of which the lawyers would keep \$255 million and give \$255 million to certain causes associated with the Robinson Huron Treaty First Nations.

The lawyers' fees will be paid from the \$10 billion settlement for past annuities owed to beneficiaries of the Robinson Huron Treaty.

This means that a reduction of the legal fees paid to the lawyers may increase the amount distributed to beneficiaries, which may affect you and your First Nation.

On September 29, 2025, and October 1, 3 and 6, 2025, the court will hear evidence from Elders and argument from the parties' lawyers in

relation to the assessment of the lawyers' fees. The court may decide the Assessment Application or it may reserve judgment and release its decision some time in the future.

YOU CAN WATCH THE COURT HEARING

The court hearing has been scheduled for four days, beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, September 29, 2025, and continuing at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 1, 2025; Friday, October 3, 2025; and, Monday, October 6, 2025. All beneficiaries of the Robinson Huron Treaty are

welcome to watch the hearing, either in person at the Courthouse or by videoconference.

The Courthouse is located on University Avenue in Toronto. The courtroom and videoconference link will be available closer to the date of the hearing. This will be posted on the Robinson Huron Treaty Litigation Fund's [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).



**Stay informed on the
RHTLF's channels
for updates.**



*RHTLF
Website*



*RHTLF
Facebook page*

PUBLICATION BAN

Individuals watching the hearing are advised that it will likely be subject to a publication ban. Where a publication ban is ordered, those watching the hearing will not be permitted to publish in any media format (for example, on social media) the contents of the proceeding (or portions of the proceeding) as directed by the order. All attendees should listen carefully to the court's instructions on any such publication ban.

Attend Chief and Council Meetings and Submit Requests

Council meetings take place on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. NFN members can attend in-person or virtually.

If you have a request for Council, complete the request form at nfn.ca/chief-council and submit by 4 p.m. the Wednesday prior to the meeting. These can be dropped off to the front reception at 36 Semo Rd, Garden Village or emailed to kaylal@nfn.ca.

Requests from the Floor are limited to 10 minutes each, with a maximum of three per meeting. Some requests may be deferred if more information is needed.

If you have any questions, contact Kayla Lariviere at 705-753-2050 ext. 1223 or kaylal@nfn.ca.

October 7 @ 7:30 p.m.
Garden Village

October 21 @ 7:30 p.m.
Duchesnay

JOIN IN PERSON:

Confirm your attendance with Kayla

WATCH THE LIVESTREAM:
Portal.NFN.ca

Recordings of past meetings are available for 30 days.

Taamgozin Nokiiyan

Recognize those who Walk the Good Path and Nominate a Community Member

NFN Social Services invites you to nominate a community member who makes a positive difference in our community and walks a good path. This recognition celebrates the strength, dedication, kindness and resilience of those uplifting others in our community. Each month, we will lift up and recognize a valued NFN member. The recipient of the nomination will receive a YETI cup and a grocery gift card!

Complete the Nomination Form:



Taamgozin Nokiiyan September 2025

Recipient: Kelsey Borgford

Kelsey has been a great role model for young kwewag in our community. She has been working on her education for many years, always looking to improve and upgrade her education. She has also spent years on the pow wow and round dance trail, dancing and singing. As well as perfecting her craft as a seamstress and regalia maker. If you go to a powwow, Kelsey is always wearing a new piece that she made. And if you look out into the powwow arena, there's many girls wearing her work. Kelsey is always excited to share her pieces if someone is looking for a spare dress to wear at a powwow. She is generous and kind. Kelsey has also been one of the main people in Nipissing to bring back the strap dress and has embraced the dress and its history to our people. I hope that Kelsey can be recognized for her dedication to walking that sweetgrass road and for sharing her good medicine with our community.



Recipient: Samantha Mianskum



I believe Samantha Mianskum deserves to be recognized because she has been contributing to our community in a good way her whole life. In her current role, Samantha shows her passion for teaching new mothers how to raise their children to walk a good path and to learn our culture and traditional ways. Samantha has also raised all of her own children in our culture and many other children throughout her years working at the Duchesnay Daycare. She has walked in a good way throughout her life by continuously learning and partaking in all aspects of our culture including but not limited to ceremonies, powwows and round dances and being a part of our powwow committee as well as being the founder of the Miss NFN pageant to uplift and encourage our young women. Samantha is also a wonderful artist – she loves to create paintings and beadwork and is also a seamstress, she has created regalia for herself, her children and many other community members. This is why I believe Samantha deserves to be recognized by our community. Samantha has been a role model for all. Miigwetch.





2025 Christmas Income Distribution Notice



Christmas Income Distribution payments can be picked up on the following dates:

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, November 15th from 10:00am to 12:00pm (Noon)

Nbisiing Secondary School, North Bay

Wednesday, November 19th from 10:00am to 3:00pm

Duchesnay Community Hall

Friday, November 21st from 10:00am to 3:00pm

NFN Administration Complex, Garden Village

For those picking up, please have your status card available on Christmas Distribution Day to ensure greater efficiency of the payment process. Third-party pick-ups are no longer permitted; however, one can collect for a spouse and a parent may collect for children under the age of 16 still living at home.

OTHER OPTIONS TO RECEIVE CHRISTMAS SHARES

If you cannot pick up on these dates, these shares will be available at the **NFN Finance Department** from **November 24, 2025, until March 31, 2026.**

You can also **request a cheque or direct deposit** by completing the attached form and returning it to the Finance Department by **October 17, 2025,** to receive payment on November 20, 2025. If the form is submitted after the deadline, receiving the funds may take up to 4 weeks.

The form is also available at www.nfn.ca and from the reception desk at the Administration Complex and/or the Finance Dept.

Registered Nipissing First Nation members will have until March 31, 2026, to pick up or request their shares. These shares do not accumulate and must be picked up or requested separately each year.

Mail requests to:

Nipissing First Nation
36 Semo Road
Garden Village ON, P2B 3K2

or email to: finance@nfn.ca

*** REMINDER ***

Christmas distribution monies will be applied to any outstanding money owing to the Band at the time of distribution. Please note that minor shares will not be applied to any outstanding balance(s).

Revised on August 7, 2024



2025 Christmas Distribution Request Form



In person funds will be distributed starting **November 24, 2025**, until **March 31, 2026**. These shares do not accumulate, and this form **must** be filled out and **sent in each year** to request funds. To receive payment by cheque or direct deposit on November 20, 2025, please return this form to the Finance Department by **October 17, 2025**. Any forms received after this date will be processed within 4 weeks. Additional forms are available at www.nfn.ca or by calling the Band Office at 705-753-2050.

Applicants/children 16 years of age or older must complete their own application

Mail requests to: Nipissing First Nation
36 Semo Road
Garden Village ON P2B 3K2

or

Email to: finance@nfn.ca

Drop off box: Outside Band Office Main Entrance
Outside Finance Entrance

In Person: Finance Dept

Please choose:

- ☐ Cheque;
- ☐ Direct Deposit/EFT (bank info provided **MUST** be an account in your name, cannot be deposited in someone else's acct)
- ☐ US/UK applicants will be mailed a money order (direct deposit not available for out of country banks)

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)		Registry Number (Band number 10 digits starts with 2200....)
Address		
City	Province	Postal Code
Telephone No.		Email Address
<p>For Direct Deposit:</p> <p>If you are a <u>new applicant</u> or if you have a new bank account, you MUST provide a void cheque or Direct Deposit Form (If you have provided your bank account information in prior years, please DO NOT re-send your bank information.)</p>		

Please list dependents below- must be a registered Nipissing First Nation member with registry number.

For the purpose of Christmas Distribution "dependent means a spouse or a minor child who are band members and for whom you have custody."

First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	Registry # (10-digit) Start with 2200.....
			2200
			2200
			2200
			2200
			2200

Signature - Required	Date
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REMINDER

Christmas Distribution will be applied to any outstanding balance owing to the Band at the time of distribution. Please note that minor shares will not be applied to any outstanding balances.



UPDATES

Visit nbisiing.com or [Nbisiing Secondary School Facebook Page](#) for our calendar of events and other school-related information, or call (705) 497-9938.

Nbisiing Athletics

It's an action-packed start to the athletics season at Nbisiing this year. The Redhawks Golf Team is gearing up for their next NDA Tournament. The Nbisiing Emiigaazwaad Hockey Program is underway as well this month starting with dry land training twice a week. The Redhawks E-Sports team is also gearing up for their season.



Event Planning

Nbisiing's Event Planning class treated all students to a cotton candy treat on the first Friday of the school year. This school year is going to be oh so sweet!



Nbisiing Naadziwin Program

Our land-based Ojibwe/Learning strategies course has started preparations for our school lodge. The class harvested a record 60 poles and are well under their way to creating a lodge big enough for whole school ceremonies. Chi-Miigwech to our Elders and guest helpers from the Walking Along Side Program and Right Path for supporting our youth during harvesting. It was so beautiful to see the smiles, hear the laughter, and be together as a community.



As our children return to school, the Anishinabek Police Service is reminding everyone to stay alert and help keep roads and school zones safe.

Traffic violations can be reported online.

This includes speeding, aggressive lane changes, and vehicles passing buses illegally. Visit anishinabekpolice.ca and click "Report Online" to begin.

Stay safe!



**NBISIING
BUS LINES**

☎ 705-753-6995
70 Semo Road
Garden Village
ON P2B 3K2

Grow Well Produce Packs are Back!



Mnogin Greenhouse has relaunched its bi-weekly greens subscription. For \$20 per order, subscribers receive fresh lettuce and leafy greens every two weeks, with flexibility to pause or cancel anytime for convenience.

Pick up dates for October:

- Garden Village: October 1, 15, and 29
- Duchesnay: October 8 and 22

Please note change to Wednesdays, instead of Thursdays.

Pick up (4:00 - 5:30 p.m.)

- Band Office (by gym doors)
- Duchesnay Hall (parking lot)



Garden Village Subscription



Duchesnay Subscription

Mnogin Greenhouse online store is open with regularly updated stock. Order anytime and pick up Wednesdays (12:00 - 1:00 p.m.) or Fridays (12:00 - 4:30 p.m.): <https://mnogin-greenhouse.square.site/>

(705)-825-2449 | orders@mnogin.ca

Recipients of Bursaries from Nipissing Miller Partnership

The Nipissing Miller Partnership awarded its first-ever \$1,000 student bursaries to Talon-River Beaucage and Rylan Fisher for pursuing studies in the skilled trades. The bursaries highlight the Partnership's commitment to supporting youth, building a strong local workforce, and inspiring the next generation of builders, makers, and innovators in the community.

Talon is completing an apprenticeship with the Iron Workers Union Local 786 (Sudbury) and will work towards his Red Seal Iron Worker and Welding Certification. Rylan is enrolled in the Mining Engineering Program at Laurentian University.

Congratulations Talon and Rylan on your achievements and we wish you every success in your educational journeys.



L-R: Father and son, Rodney Beaucage and Talon-River Beaucage working together.



Gen Couchie, NFN Business Operations Manager and Rylan Fisher.

Commercial Fishery Closes for the Season

Nipissing First Nation's Chief and Council have closed the commercial fishery for the 2025 season effective October 15, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., lasting until the spring 2026 moratorium ends.

All commercial gill nets must be lifted by Wednesday October 15, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Subsistence fishers must follow NFN's Fisheries Law and notify the Fisheries Office at 705-753-6991.

For more information, or to report compliance issues, please contact Jeff McLeod, Natural Resources Manager at 705-753-2050 ext. 1235 or jeffm@nfn.ca.

NFN upholds sustainability and resource protection while maintaining the practice of our rights in a responsible way. We regulate our own fishery through assessments, active monitoring, data exchange and harvest reporting, in collaboration with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Kendaaswin / Library



Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Community Nishnaabemwin Classes are Back!

To keep Nipissing Nishnaabemwin alive, we must make time to speak and understand it. Learning and practicing our language is a sacred responsibility—to honour our ancestors and empower the next seven generations. Language lives when we choose to use it.

This month, learners will build confidence using Nipissing Nishnaabemwin in everyday topics like food and eating. Guest speakers will also help deepen understanding—supporting language revitalization for future generations.

NISHNAABEMWIN CLASSES
Binaakwii Giizis | October 2025
 Aabtawse / Wednesdays
 Online
 Aandi Pii: 6 – 8 p.m.
October 1, 15, 22, 29
 Registration required for the link to the class!
 Register: blairb@nfn.ca
Weekly Attendance Draws!
Facilitated by: Blair Beaucage
 NIPISSING FIRST NATION
 A-Ki, Bemaadziik, E-Niigaanung
 The Land, the People, the Future



NFN Walking Alongside Services: September at a Glance

In September, the NFN Walking Alongside Services held the following events:

- Kids back to school giveaways
- Kids Cooking
- Kids Button making
- Kids crafts
- Kids hangout
- Youth Sweat Lodge Ceremony
- Nishnaabemwin dinner
- Nishnaabemwin movie night
- Youth escape room
- Youth bowling
- Youth lunch & movies
- Youth beading
- Youth Duchesnay drop-in
- Youth GV drop-in
- Nishnaabemwin language lessons



See upcoming child, youth, and family events on pages 14-22

Join our Community Circles

Wednesdays & Sundays | 3–6 p.m.
Garden Village Community Lodge
Beside Holy Spirit Church, 285 Ted Commanda Dr.

Hockey Pool

NFN members aged 12+ can join this season's hockey pool and create their own team on OfficePools.com.

Email jonw@nfn.ca to get the registration link. Track your players all season—Top 10 finishers win prizes!

Adult Trip: Toronto Maple Leafs Game

Join us for an Adult Trip to see the Toronto Maple Leafs on October 16-17.



\$75/person, includes hotel stay (2 adults/room), bus ride, and food voucher. Open to 25 couples (50 people total). The registering adult must be an NFN member.

Registration opens October 6. Contact jonw@nfn.ca or **705-753-6971**. A random draw will be held on Friday, October 10, to select participants.

Walking in Recovery Fundraiser

Recovery is a journey we hope for every community member. This fundraiser honours those walking that path and aims to strengthen our circles. We're raising funds to create regalia and ceremonial clothing with care, ready for when individuals in recovery are prepared to receive them. Donations of funds or materials are welcome and appreciated. To contribute, please contact Adult Mental Health Therapist at amandab@nfn.ca.

NFN Food Bank

Donations

Donations can be brought to the NFN Front Reception (36 Semo Rd., Garden Village) or to the NFN Food Bank (19 Philip Ave., Garden Village).

In August 2025, the NFN Food Bank received generous donations from the following individuals and organizations:

- Patrick and Samantha Stevens (monthly donation)
- Mnogin Greenhouse

Miigwech for your donations!

Flu Vaccine Clinics

For NFN Members and Affiliates living on/off reserve. No registration required for Flu Clinics. COVID-19 and RSV vaccines are also available. Unable to make it to any of the clinic dates? Call the Lawrence Commanda Health Centre to book an appointment: 705-753-3312.

Wednesday, October 8 (Pending Availability)

Diner's Club - GV Council Chambers
11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 14

Duchesnay Community Hall
11:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

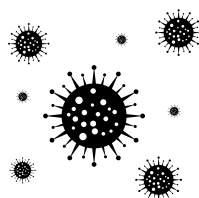


Thursday, October 16

Lawrence Commanda Health Centre
11:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 20

Duchesnay Community Hall
11:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.



Thursday, October 23

LCHC
11:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 27

Duchesnay Community Hall
11:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.



Wednesday October 29

Lawrence Commanda Health Centre
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Blastomycosis: What You Need to Know

What is it?

Blastomycosis is a lung infection caused by breathing in spores from a soil fungus called *Blastomyces*. It does not spread between people or from dogs to humans. Symptoms can take up to three months to appear.

Where is it found?

It's found across Ontario, especially in the north, in moist soil near water. Spores are released when soil, leaves, or wood are disturbed.

Watch for symptoms:

- Ongoing cough
- Trouble breathing
- Chest pain
- Fever or night sweats
- Weight loss
- Extreme tiredness

What to do:

If you have any of these symptoms — even for a while — see a health care provider and mention Blastomycosis. Blastomycosis is serious, but treatable. Mild cases can be treated at home. Severe cases may need hospital care. Some people have no symptoms and recover on their own.

Ojibway Women's Lodge 40th Anniversary

On behalf of The Ojibway Women's Lodge, Miigwech to all who joined us in celebrating our 40th anniversary. It was a beautiful day of connection, reflection, and community. We are especially grateful to our guest speakers for their inspiring words and to all our attendees for your ongoing support. Your presence helped make this milestone truly meaningful.



L-W Wendy Lariviere, Sylvia Faubert, Julie Dalglish, Debbie Beaucage, Caroline Croxon, Brenda Restoule, Sue Deering-Goulais, Les Couchi, Phil Goulais, Brooklyn Penasse.



L-W Debbie Beaucage, Gabrielle Labreche, Tiffany Sutherland, Kristy Stone, Brooklyn Penasse, Melissa Berard, Elizabeth Keating, Gillian Prince, Tia Goulais (baby Atlas Goulais), Sylvia Faubert

★ WE'RE HIRING! ★

EMPLOYMENT

As per Nipissing First Nation hiring procedures, the following steps are used for screening and recruitment processes:

- 1st Round: Open to all NFN members.
- 2nd Round: Open to registered members of other First Nations and spouses and children of registered NFN members.
- 3rd Round: Open to all applicants (status and non-status).

Nipissing First Nation members are encouraged to apply to all rounds of employment postings. As per **Section 24(1)(a) of the Ontario Human Rights Code**, Nipissing First Nation gives preference to First Nation applicants for any employment opportunities.

Full postings and descriptions are available at nfn.ca/jobs

Bus Driver

Part-time / Permanent

1st Round closes Friday, September 26, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

2nd Round closes Friday, October 3, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

3rd Round closes Friday, October 10, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Ontario Works Caseworker

Full-time / Permanent

1st Round closes Friday, September 26, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

2nd Round closes Friday, October 3, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

3rd Round closes Friday, October 10, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Chief Executive Officer

Full-time / Permanent

This posting is open to registered members of NFN only.

Bus Driver

Part-time / Contract

1st Round closes Friday, September 19, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

2nd Round closes Friday, September 26, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

3rd Round closes Friday, October 3, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Open to all qualified applicants until filled

Community Infrastructure and Planning

Supervisor - Public Works

Full-time / Permanent

Governance, Culture, Language & Heritage

Senior Policy Analyst

Full-time / Permanent

Finance

Accounts Payable Officer

Full-Time / Permanent

Accounts Payable Coordinator

Full-Time / Permanent

Health Services

Adult Mental Health Therapist

Full-Time / Contract

Manager, Giyak Moseng – The Right Path

Full-Time / Permanent

Personal Support Worker

Full-Time/ Permanent & Part-Time/ Contract

Gwekwaadziwin Shkaabewis

Full-Time / Permanent

Gwekwaadziwin Driver

Full-Time / Permanent

Social Services

Jr. Post Majority Support Services Worker

Full-time / Permanent

Post Majority Support Services Worker

Full-Time / Permanent- 3 Vacancies

Post Majority Support Coordinator

Full-Time / Permanent

Walking Alongside Services Driver

Part-Time / Permanent

Child & Youth Support Worker

Full-time / Permanent

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OCTOBER

CULTURE MINDFULNESS TRAINING

Duchesnay Community Hall | 9 - 3 p.m.

Lunch provided. Transportation available upon request Together, we'll explore our sense of belonging, the trauma we carry, and the strength we hold—through our teachings, our stories, the drum, the medicine wheel, and guided meditation. Facilitated by George Couchie.



Register by Wednesday, September 24 to : registerlchc@nfn.ca

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OCTOBER

KIDS GAME NIGHT

65 Juniper Cres. Garden Village | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.



Register: katiel@nfn.ca

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1, 8, 15,
22, 29
OCTOBER**DUCHESNAY DROP-IN**

Duchesnay Community Hall | 6 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29. Transportation Available.



Register: ianc@nfn.ca

THURS

2, 9, 16,
23, 30
OCTOBER**GARDEN VILLAGE DROP IN**

65 Juniper Cres., Garden Village | 5 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29. Transportation Available.



Register: ianc@nfn.ca

See NFN October 2025 Events calendars on last page of Enkamgak!

For updates on Walking Alongside Services events, follow [f @NFNWAS](https://www.facebook.com/NFNWAS)

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YOUTH SMASH ROOM

Sudbury | 6 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29. Transportation Available.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca

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OCTOBER

YOUTH SWEAT LODGE CEREMONY

65 Juniper Cres., Garden Village | 5 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29.

Register: ianc@nfn.ca

SUN

5

OCTOBER

**NORTH BAY BATTALION GAME
INDIGENOUS CULTURE DAY**

Boart Longyear Memorial Gardens | 2 p.m.

Free Tickets for NFN Members and Affiliates. Honour Indigenous culture and wear orange!

Register: registerlchc@nfn.ca or 705-753-3312

MON

6

OCTOBER

KIDS CRAFT

65 Juniper Cres., | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca

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MON**6****OCTOBER****FULL MOON CEREMONY**

Lodge behind the Right Path Building | 8 - 10 p.m.

For All women and girls that are NFN Members and Affiliates.
Please bring a skirt & dress warmly – we'll be outside!Register: brooklyns@nfn.ca**TUES****7, 14,
21, 28****OCTOBER****CHAIR YOGA**

Duchesnay Elder's Lodge | 10 - 11 a.m.

For NFN Seniors 55+, registration is required for equipment.

Register: registerlchc@nfn.ca or call 705-753-3312**TUES****7****OCTOBER****YOUTH HANGOUT**

65 Juniper Cres., Garden Village | 6 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29. Transportation Available.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca**WED****8****OCTOBER****DINER'S CLUB**

Garden Village Gym | Noon

For NFN seniors 55+. For more information, contact the LCHC at 705-753-3312.



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WED

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OCTOBER

YOUTH SCARY MOVIES

65 Juniper Cres., | 6 - 9 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca

THURS

9

OCTOBER

THREAD & TEA: DROP-IN CRAFTING SOCIAL

Duchesnay Community Hall | 5 - 8 p.m.

For NFN Members and Affiliates. Join us for a relaxing evening of beading, sewing and crafting. All skill levels welcome, materials, light food and drinks provided.

Register: brooklyns@nfn.ca

FRI

10

OCTOBER

NISHNAABEMWIN DINNER OUT

North Bay | 5 - 8 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29.

Register: ianc@nfn.ca

SAT

11

OCTOBER

FAMILY LEISURE FARM

Leisure Farms | 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

For NFN families.

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TUES**14****OCTOBER****KIDS SCARY MOVIE NIGHT**

65 Juniper Cres., | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca**TUES****14, 21,
28****OCTOBER****BABY GROUP**

Sundown Ridge Chalet #3 | 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 0-5.

Register: littlespiritauntie@nfn.ca**WED****15****OCTOBER****LUNCH AND LEARN - EFFECTS OF SMOKING AND ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION**

Garden Village Gym | 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

NFN Members and Affiliates 18+.

Register: registerlchc@nfn.ca**WED****15****OCTOBER****KIDS LEGO NIGHT**

65 Juniper Cres., Garden Village | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.

Register: brooklynt@nfn.ca

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WED

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OCTOBER

HAND PAINTED WELCOME MATS

Sundown Ridge Chalet #3 | 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

For NFN Members & Affiliates Moms & Dads with Children aged 0-5 years.

Register: littlepiritauntie@nfn.ca

TUES

21

OCTOBER

DOODOOSHEWIN BREASTFEEDING WEEK CELEBRATION

Garden Village Gym | 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Join us to recognize this week and celebrate and support breastfeeding in our community! Speaker at 11am; The Big Latch at 11:30am and Lunch provided at Noon.

Register: erikaw@nfn.ca

TUES

21

OCTOBER

KIDS SCIENCE EXPERIMENT

65 Juniper Cres., Garden Village | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.

Register: brooklynt@nfn.ca

WED

22

OCTOBER

BUILDING YOUR OWN PERSONAL MEDICINE BUNDLE

LCHC Boardroom | 10 - 1 p.m.

Facilitated by Glenna Beaucage. Drop-ins welcome.

Register: registerlchc@nfn.ca

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THURS
23

OCTOBER

THREAD & TEA: DROP-IN CRAFTING SOCIAL

Culture Centre | 5 - 8 p.m.

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Register: brooklyns@nfn.ca

THURS
23

OCTOBER

MAAMWI WIISNIDAA - LET'S EAT TOGETHER

Duchesnay Community Hall | 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Join us at Maamwi Wiisnidaa, meaning "Let's eat together," for a delicious community meal.

THURS
23

OCTOBER

KIDS HALLOWEEN CRAFTS

Duchesnay Community Hall | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 6-12.



Register: katiel@nfn.ca

FRI

24

OCTOBER

SENIOR'S BOWLING

Chatelanes Bowling | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Shoes and equipment provided. Lunch and refreshments will be served.



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FRI

24

OCTOBER

FAMILY HALLOWEEN

Garden Village Gym & Outdoor Rink | 5 - 8 p.m.

For NFN families.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca

SAT

25

OCTOBER

FAMILY PUMPKIN INFERNO

Sudbury | 4 - 10 p.m.

For NFN families.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca

SAT

25

OCTOBER

LEISURE FARMS FRIGHT NIGHT

Leisure Farms | 8 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29.

Register: ianc@nfn.ca

MON

27

OCTOBER

FAMILY PUMPKIN CARVING

Garden Village Gym | 5 - 8 p.m.

For NFN families.

Register: katiel@nfn.ca

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TUES
28
OCTOBER

KIDS HALLOWEEN CRAFTS

65 Juniper Cres., Garden Village | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN Members and Affiliates aged 6-12



Register: katiel@nfn.ca

WED
29
OCTOBER

LITTLE GHOULIES & GHOSTS HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

Northern Tikes | 5 - 7 p.m.

For NFN Members & Affiliates Moms & Dads with Children aged 0-5 years.



Register: littlepiritauntie@nfn.ca

THURS
30
OCTOBER

TEA TALKS

Duchesnay Elder's Lodge | 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For NFN Members and Affiliates 55+.



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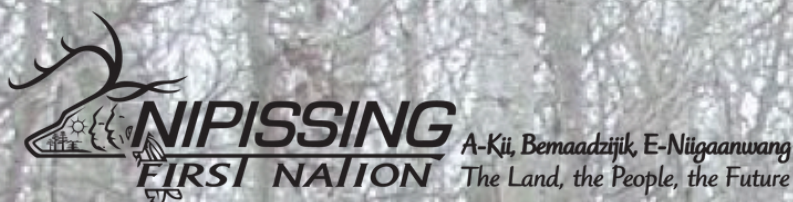
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OCTOBER

HALLOWEEN CANDY HANDOUT

65 Juniper Cres., Garden Village | 5 - 8 p.m.

For NFN youth aged 13-29.

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Annual Sisters in Spirit CANDLELIGHT VIGIL WALK

**Thursday, October 2, 2025
Duchesnay Community Hall
5 p.m.**

All are welcome!
Dress warmly.
If possible, wear an item of red clothing.

For more information:
Kristy Stone
705-472-0233
crisissupport@nfn.ca



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Village Marketplace

CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, November 8, 2025
Garden Village Gym / Council Chambers
36 Semo Rd. Garden Village, ON P2B 3K2
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Vendor set-up begins at 7:30 a.m.

**All proceeds support the NFN Food Bank
and the Ojibway Women's Lodge (OWL)**

Vendors: Be Part of Our Marketplace

✓ Scan the QR code for easy registration

Questions? Contact:
Food Bank Coordinator
jessc@nfn.ca or 705-753-6972



ZHIMAAGNISHII GIIZHGAK REMEMBRANCE DAY

Ga-bi-zhaam Wii-Mikwendmaanaanik Zhimaagnishii Giizhgak
Please join us as we remember and honour our veterans

**Mshki-nokiigiizhgad
Mtikmeg Giizis 11
Ktigaaning**



**Tuesday
November 11
Garden Village**

Form up and parade to cenotaph at 10:45 a.m.
Lunch and refreshments at the Garden Village Complex following the ceremony

Everyone welcome!

**To lay a wreath during the ceremony, contact Rodney Commanda by November 6:
705-753-2050 ext. 1284 or rodneyc@nfn.ca**

For transportation, contact main reception by November 10: 705-753-2050

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 15, 2025**

9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Nbisiing Secondary School
469 Couchie Memorial Dr., North Bay**

**Learn about NFN programs,
projects, and services; meet
with your Chief & Council;
and more!**



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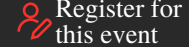
Food Bank Access Day



Garbage Pick-up



Full Moon



Register for this event



Recycling Pick-up

Binaakwii Giizis (Falling Leaves Moon) | October 2025

Namegiizhcad Sunday	Nokiigiizhcad Monday	Niizhgiizhcad Tuesday	Aabtause Wednesday	Shpinganwang Thursday	Jiibiaatgogiizhcad Friday	Maaniigiizhcad Saturday
Mukwa Miikan Landfill Hours Saturday - Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. <i>Closed during statutory holidays</i>			1	2	3	4
			East End	Sisters in Spirit Candlelight Vigil Walk 5 p.m. Duchesnay Hall		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Battalion Game 2 p.m. Memorial Gardens Community Circle 3 - 6 p.m. GV Lodge (Church)	Full Moon Ceremony 8 - 10 p.m. Right Path Lodge West End	Chief & Council 7:30 p.m. Garden Village East End	Diner's Club Noon - 1:30 p.m. GV Complex Vaccine Clinic <i>(pending availability)</i> Community Circle 3 - 6 p.m. GV Lodge (Church)			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Community Circle 3 - 6 p.m. GV Lodge (Church)	Thanksgiving 	Vaccine Clinic 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Duchesnay Hall West End	Community Circle 3 - 6 p.m. GV Lodge (Church) East End	Vaccine Clinic 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. LCHC		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Community Circle 3 - 6 p.m. GV Lodge (Church)	Vaccine Clinic 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Duchesnay Hall West End	Chief & Council 7:30 p.m. Duchesnay East End	Community Circle 3 - 6 p.m. GV Lodge (Church)	Maamwi Wiisnidaa 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Duchesnay Hall Vaccine Clinic 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. LCHC	Family Halloween Party 5 - 8 p.m. GV Gym / Rink	
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Community Circle 3 - 6 p.m. GV Lodge (Church)	Vaccine Clinic 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Duchesnay Hall West End	East End	Vaccine Clinic 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. LCHC		Halloween 	

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