

June 7, 2019

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Dear Ms. Morrison,

Fraser Health's Hope Health and Wellbeing Initiative Steering Committee has been asked for financial support for a Truth and Reconciliation (TRC) Call to Action Day inclusive of communities from Sts'ailes to Boothroyd. We are seeking matching funds of \$2000 from the Ministry of Child and Family Development for this important initiative.

A committee with representatives from Chawathil First Nation, Spuzzum First Nation, Fraser Health, First Nations Health Authority, Ministry of Children and Family Development, Hope and Area Transition Society, and Shxw'Ow'Hamel First Nation have begun initial planning for the event to take place this fall at Chawathil First Nation. This TRC Call to Action Day will enlighten attendees on the lived experience and ongoing trauma impacting Indigenous communities, and provide a common understanding for local collective action. Members of all communities surrounding Hope, Agassiz and the Fraser Canyon will be invited to the event, with anticipated attendance of 150 - 200.

We are seeking matching funds from MCFD, First Nations Health Authority, Fraser Health Aboriginal Health and the Fraser Valley Regional District to meet the estimated cost for this event. These costs are consistent with a similar event held in Chilliwack in 2018.

Thank you for considering this proposal. Please contact Catherine Wiebe at 604-860-7719, <a href="mailto:catherine.wiebe@fraserhealth.ca">catherine.wiebe@fraserhealth.ca</a> if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

on Behalf of the Steering Committee, Petra Pardy, Executive Director

Chilliwack Hope Agassiz - Fraser Health

cc: Catherine Wiebe, Director – Clinical Operations, Fraser Canyon Hospital