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News and updates from Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations



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Please note Tla-o-qui-aht offices will be closed

Monday May 19, 2025 Statutory Holiday

Our After Hours Emergency Lines are as follows:

Patient Travel: 250-725-8030 Family Care: 250-725-4483

hupiistał (Families In Crisis): 604-217-2709

Housing: 250-725-3248 Public Works: 250-266-7562 Finance: 250-725-3350 ext 22 Elmer Frank, EOC: 250-726-8281

All current contact information for our organization is available on our website at:

www.tla-o-qui-aht.org

call 250.725.3350 or toll-free: 1.888.425.3350

Sign-up for this newsletter in your inbox: https://www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/newsletter-sign-up



April 24, 2025

Welcome and Announcement

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Iris Frank as the new Tribal Administrator for the Tla-o-qui-aht Nation. During her nine (9) years with us, Iris has consistently demonstrated her commitment and compassion for Tla-o-qui-aht. She has worked alongside many of us, gaining a deep understanding of our needs and priorities.

Iris brings a wealth of experience and a strong commitment to upholding the values and mission of our Nation. Her leadership will support the ongoing growth and well-being of our communities as we continue to honor our traditions while advancing our collective goals.

We look forward to working with Iris and are confident that she will be a valuable asset to our team.

Thank you for your time and support.



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Message from Eric Kingsley, Executive Assistant to the Tribal Administrator

I have been living in the area for over 15 years, currently in Ucluelet with my young daughter. I've served many of you at restaurants, as an insurance rep, and now as an assistant to the Tribal Administrator.

I look forward to learning a great deal,

making new friends, and supporting the team in achieving their goals.



TLA-O-QUI-AHT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THURSDAY MAY 1, 2025

TIN WIS CONFERENCE HALL 10AM-4PM

with Lunch Provided

Draft Agenda:

- 1) Opening prayer
- 2) Opening remarks

Chief Elmer Frank

- 3) Land Code Presentation @ 10:15am Whitney Lukuku, and Erica Louie - FNLMRC
- 4) FNHA Health / PT Update
- 5) Capital Assets Update
- 6) Membership Code Rules
- 7) Economic Development Update

* Info table with Jordan's Principle rep (putting FN Children first) *

ZOOM OPTION (participants please input your name as you join)

HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/84134572094

MEETING ID: 841 3457 2094

Dial by your location: +1 647 374 4685 CANADA +1 360 209 5623 US

THIS MEETING AUDIO WILL BE RECORDED***

Community Invitation to Document and Share Stories

with Luke MacDonald our Language Departments Digital Archivist

Organized by our Tla-o-qui-aht Justice Committee and Health Department

In preparation for the event on May 9th, we invite the community to share their stories, personal experiences, or insights related to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, as well as 2SLGBTQ+ issues.

The recordings collected will contribute to a digital archive for our community and will be showcased during our MMIPC (Missing Murdered Indigenous People and Children) event on May 9th.

For those interested in recording audio and video stories, we have reserved the Boardroom at the Tiic-Mis-Aq'kin Health Centre on the following dates:

April 28th, April 30th, May 1st, and May 2nd

Additionally, we will have space available at the MICC in Opitsaht on April 29th

If you would like to put your name down to sit down and record with Luke please contact the following staff
Dezerae Joseph (250) 735-4507
Curtis Joseph (250)616-9892
Tabatha Frank- tabatha.frank@tla-o-qui-aht.org
Lorena Frank- lorena.frank@tla-o-qui-aht.org





WALK TO REMEMBER

MMIWG CALL FOR JUSTICE

When: MAY 9th, 2025

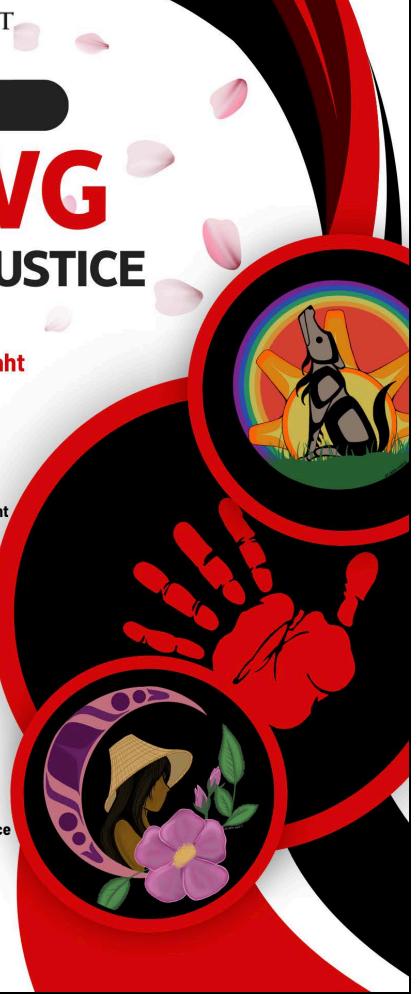
Where: Starting in Opitsaht

Time: 9:00AM - 4:30PM

Event Schedule

- Boat rides 1st street main dock to Opitsaht 8am-8:15am
- 9:00 AM March begins in Opitsaht
- 10:30 AM March from Esowista to Tyhistanis
- 12:00 PM Gathering at Tin-Wis
- Lunch will be provided
- 1:30 PM Event MC by Lorena, Tabatha,
 Dezerae
- 1:45 PM Recorded videos by Luke MacDonald
- 2:15 PM Begin speakers' list
- 3:00 PM Open mic
- 3:30 PM Calls to Action presentation
- 3:15 PM Butterflies in Spirit performance
- 4:30 PM Closing prayer by Bev Martin

Contact for more info
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Lorena Frank lorena.frank@tla-o-qui-aht.org





Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Community Input Request Budget 2025-2026



Please email responses to <u>cfo@tla-o-qui-aht.orq</u> or drop off at the Main Office (Treaty Office). Or fill in online <u>https://forms.office.com/r/HLCN30f09X</u> These responses will help facilitate budget plans for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Con	tac	t information:		
	1. 2. 3.	Name: Phone number: Email:		
Pro	grai	ms & Activities		
	4.	Please identify 3 programs o	highest importance to you in the	upcoming year (rank $1-3$)
_		Education	Housing	Community Infrastructure
_		Social Development	Health	Children and family services
		Administration	Natural Resources	
	like	Please identify up to 3 new action of the see Tla-o-qui-aht implement tivity 1:	ctivities or services related to these ent.	programs that you would
	Act	tivity 2:		
	Act	tivity 3:		
			you currently use and interact witl uccess or challenges of using these	
	Act	tivity 1:		

Activity 2:	
Activity 3:	
Spending Priorities	
7. What are the top three areas where you believe the Nation should in	vest more funding?
8. Are there any programs or services you feel are currently underfunde	·d?
9. If we had to reduce spending, what areas would you suggest cutting o	or restructuring?
Value for Money	
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10. Do you feel that the Nation is using its financial resources effectively?	why or why not?
11. Are there any programs you think are not delivering good value for th	neir cost?
Transparency & Trust	
12. Do you feel you understand how the Nation's budget is developed an	d approved?
13. What would help you feel more confident in how financial decisions a	ire made?
1/1. How can we improve communication about where money is being sp	ont?

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look for these



EDUCATION DEPARTMENT UPDATES

From the Language Department - ciiqciqasataquml?ak?i Xa?uukwi?atḥ

λa?uukwi?ath Language Classes

Come join us for our first year language curriculum.

Mondays Language Class

> via Zoom 6:00 - 7:30pm

Meeting ID: 871 4618 5509

Wednesdays
Language Class
via Zoom

6:00-7:30 pm

Meeting ID: 871 4618 5509

The Wednesday lesson will be a repeat lesson, same as Monday.

To join, and for lessons and updates, send your email to: languagecoordinator@tla-o-qui-aht.org



TLAOQUIAHTLANGUAGE

Click the QR code to follow our Language Instagram account (@tlaoquiahtlanguage)

IMPORTANT DATES 2025

May 19 Victoria Day

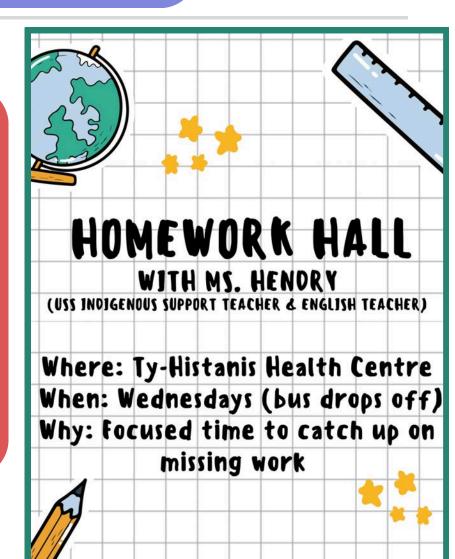
May 26 No Classes Pro D Day

June 21 USS Graduation

June 21 Aboriginal Day

June 26 Last day of classes

June 27 No Classes Pro D day



Message from Corinne Martin - Homeschool Coordinator

I took 9 youth with me to Gathering Our Voices in Kamloops, BC, March 17-21, 2025, during the spring break. The youth picked which workshops they are interested in. There were many to choose from sports, academics, art, theatre etc. There were also art vendors there, and many youths purchased items they liked. We were at Thomspon University mainly where the breakfast, lunch was at, and main building. Then many were transported to local schools to attend their workshops, and there were always snacks and beverages provided. Many linked up with old friends they met before or made new ones. It's a place for our youth to gather with other B.C. First Nations province wide, to involve themselves in areas they are interested in. To see colleges and universities there and give out information to students. Due to snow at higher elevations we decided to leave one day early. It was a great experience to have returning students and a few new ones, and it was my pleasure to experience this with the youth.





TFN PARENTS: PLEASE WATCH OUT FOR
REPORT CARDS COMING OUT SOON! HIGHLY
IMPORTANT TO KEEP ON TOP OF YOUR
STUDENTS ATTENDANCE/KEEPING UP WITH
HOMEWORK HALLS AT USS

AT TY-HISTANIS HEALTH CENTER W/ MS. HENDRY AND RAY SEITCHER

EVERY WEDNESDAY IN MAY TILL JUNE

IS HOMEWORK HALL

PIZZA PROVIDED ALONG WITH SNACKS/BEVERAGES 3:30-5PM

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR STUDENT BRINGS
THEIR CHROME BOOK WITH THEM

WICKANINNISH SCHOOL WILL RE-START WITH NAA?UUQSTA (HOMEWORK CLUB) SOON! WATCH OUT FOR FORMS GOING HOME WITH STUDENTS.

Almost Graduation- June is coming fast!

If any students graduating grade 12 or postsecondary this year out of town please let me know for TFN Graduation etc.

homeschoolcoordinator@tla-o-qui-aht.org

SD 70 Port Alberni school visits, I went to all the local schools:

ADSS: Seen many of our students gave updates on what TFN provides (student allowance, tutoring supports etc) Inquired who was in grade 11/12 informed of college/university tours next year. Information on culture in Alberni area, and what dates

8th **Ave Learning**: sat around fire with students, seen garden they made. Sat with ISW Melissa Gus gave information on TFN Education and what we provide for students

Few other schools, Alberni Elementary, Wood school, EJ Dunn follow ups for next visit

See all schools in May and June!





2024-2025

GRADUATION AND SCHOLARSHIP CEREMONIES

Where: Alberni District Secondary School

4000 Roger Street, Port Alberni, BC

When: Friday, June 6th & Saturday, June 7th, 2025

Scholarship Ceremony— Friday June 6th Doors @ 3:30 pm; Dinner @ 4:30pm; Ceremony @ 6:00pm

> Graduation Ceremony— Saturday June 7th

Doors @ 1:30pm; Ceremony @ 2:30pm; Dinner @ 4:00pm

Nuu-chah-nulth nations participating in The Scholarship and Graduation Ceremonies are:

DITIDAHT **HUU-AY-AHT** TLA-O-QUI-AHT

EHATTESAHT-CHINEHKINT

KYUQUOT/CHECLESEHT

TOQUAHT

HESQUIAHT

MOWACHAHT/MUCHALAHT

TSESHAHT

HUPACASATH

NUCHATLAHT

*All Trades and Vocational program graduates please contact the N.E.T.P. Office to confirm attendance: (250) 723-1331

For more information, please contact Laurissa Lucas at (250) 724-5757 or by e-mail: laurissa.lucas@nuuchahnulth.org Scholarship forms and graduation registration forms can be found on the N.T.C. website: www.nuuchahnulth.org

Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council Kindergarten through Grade 3 Scholarship Award Application

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians, and First Nations:

The NTC Education, Training, & Social Development Department is pleased to announce that the NTC K-3 Scholarship Award process is open and the NTC is accepting applications for the 2024-25 Academic Year.

NTC Scholarships are awarded in **Athletic** and **Hahopchu** (Cultural) categories.

Students wishing to be considered for scholarships must complete the following.

Students wishing to be considered for scholarships must complete the following: Student Video - a video explaining why they feel that they should receive a scholarship and short demonstration of cultural practices (can be included in video or will accept Nuuchah-nulth art piece) and a support letter, is required.

Support Letters - showing support for the scholarship recipient.

The Application, with supporting documents, can be submitted via:

Email: scholarships@nuuchahnulth.org;

Fax: 250-724-9682 - Attention: Education: or

In person or Mailed: NTC Main Office - Mailing address and Physical Address below

Deadline to have applications received by NTC is May 9, 2025 at 4:30pm.

Applications received after 4:30pm on May 9, 2025 will be ineligible for a scholarship.

Membership: Only members of the following Nuu-chah-nulth Nations are eligible for NTC Scholarships (*Student Status Numbers must be provided on the application):

Huu-ay-aht Ehattesaht Hesquiaht Mowachaht/Muchalaht Tseshaht Hupacasath Nuchatlaht

Recipients who have been selected for an NTC Scholarship Award will be notified in June 2025. Only successful applicants will be notified.

The NTC cannot release scholarships to anyone other than the student or their parent/guardian.

> Education, Training, & Social Development Department Ph: 250-724-5757 Fax: 250-724-9682 Mailing Address: P.O Box 1383 5001 Mission Road, Port Alberni, BC, V9Y 7M2

Indigenous Students in School District 70 and School District 84 and all Nuu-chah-nulth are invited to apply for the:

Heečis (Eileen Haggard) Memorial Scholarship

Heečis spent much of her life working to better the lives of young Indigenous people both in her role as the Nuu-chah-nulth Cultural Development Supervisor at the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council and as an outstanding role model for Indigenous peoples.

In addition to working to ensure that schools placed great importance in bringing Nuu-chah-nulth culture to classrooms, Heečis never stopped believing that all students have the ability to overcome challenges and believe in themselves, and in their culture.

Heečis always treated students with great respect and love no matter what their circumstances. She really made a positive difference in the lives of students who struggled in school.



This year, the Haggard family would like to honour a Grade 12 Graduate of Nuu-chah-nulth descent or Indigenous Ancestry who resides in SD70 & SD84 area, who exemplify the qualities necessary to succeed and overcome challenges.

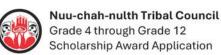
Honoured recipients will be students who:

- . Have worked hard to excel to the best of their ability
- Have overcome obstacles in their quest to obtain a high school diploma
 - Model and value their First Nation culture
 - Practice iisaak (respect)
 - Give back to their community

Students who wish to be considered for the Heečis (Eileen Haggard) Memorial Scholarship should

complete the attached application form and forward it to scholarships@nuuchahnulth.org or drop off at the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council office by 4:30pm on May 9th 2025

huyaaqumł - Migration Moon - Apr 29, 2025



Dear Students, Parents/Guardians, and First Nations:

The NTC Education, Training, & Social Development Department is pleased to announce that the NTC Grade 4-12 Scholarship Award process is open and the NTC is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 Academic Year.

NTC Scholarships are awarded in Academic, Artistic, Athletic, Hahopchu (Cultural), and Exceptional categories.

Students wishing to be considered for scholarships must **complete** the following: Student written Essay - explaining why they feel that should receive a scholarship from the scholarship category they are applying for.

Support Letters - showing support for the scholarship recipient.

Pages 2 and 3 of this Application, with supporting documents, can be submitted via:

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Nuchatlaht

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5001 Mission Road, Port Alberni, BC, V9Y 7M2

Click any image to go to full form, or visit www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/education



Chief Joe Mathias British Columbia Aboriginal Scholarship Fund

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

The Chief Joe Mathias British Columbia Aboriginal Scholarship Fund ("The Fund") is a nationally registered charity established in memory of the late Chief Joe Mathias to support Chief Mathias' vision of post-secondary education for all First Nations people. The Fund is an incorporated society under the Society Act of British Columbia

The purposes of the Fund is to advance education by providing educational scholarships to deserving British Columbia First Nation students who are in financial need and who demonstrate merit, in order to improve access to post-secondary education so that deserving British Columbia First Nation people can acquire the knowledge and skills needed to participate in a changing economy and society, including scholarships to enable deserving BC First Nation students to engage in:

- Courses of study towards an academic degree or diploma, at an eligible post-secondary educational institution at
- Post-graduate academic studies at an eligible post-secondary educational institution

ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS

The Fund will grant scholarships only to people who:

- Are members or citizens of a British Columbia First Nation; Are enrolled at an eligible post-secondary educational institution as a full-time, or part-time, student; Are pursuing studies that lead to a degree, or diploma from that institution; and Are in financial need and demonstrate merit.

Priority will be given to candidates who wish to pursue and excel in academic pursuits with the greatest potential benefit to the welfare and advancement of First Nations peoples and communities.

The Fund will NOT grant scholarships for the following:

- Education at non-recognized post-secondary institutions; Attendance at conferences / symposiums / workshops; and Professional fees / schools.

ELIGIBLE POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

The scholarships will be provided to eligible recipients for post-secondary studies at a post-secondary educational institution that grants degrees or diplomas.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Factors to be considered by the Board in the selection of a candidate for a scholarship may include academic achievement, personal qualities and character, interest and participation in post-secondary educational institution and community affairs, development of a program of studies and special aptitude and qualification for that

APPLICATIONS

Applications will be reviewed each year at a special meeting of the Board held for the purpose of awarding Scholarships. Scholarship Applications must conform with all requirements of the following application Form. Should you have any question please email chiefjoemathias@gmail.com.

Submit applications no later than June 20, 2025.





May is Child Care Provider Appreciation Month

May unfolds as Child Care Provider Appreciation Month, with Friday, May 9th, shining brightly as 'Child Care Provider Appreciation Day.'

At Tlucha, our cherished daycare thrives thanks to a devoted ensemble of eight remarkable staff members: Joey, Delores, Jewel, Suzanne, Rae, Anna, Brianne, and myself. Our team consists of 2 Infant and Toddler Educators, 3 Early Childhood Educators, 2 Early Childhood Educator Assistants, and 1 Responsible Adult.

Through the tireless dedication of each individual, we are able to keep our doors wide open and maintain the harmonious flow of our operations. Regrettably, many childcare centers remain dormant due to a scarcity of ECE workers, making us exceptionally fortunate to have every single one of our staff members!

Each of you plays an essential role in nurturing the wonder and curiosity that blossom in the minds of the children we care for each day. Together, we cultivate learning through play and boundless affection 🛡

Today and every day, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for all that you do for our children and for shaping the future!

- Maureen David



Warriors Program Update





Top left, on April 1st Ucluelet Secondary School students teamed up with the Warriors for an educational clam harvest by Meares Island.





Clams and sea urchins were also harvested this month further afield in the hahuuli of the λa?u ḥaẃiih and distributed to Elders and community members











Photos this page submitted by the Nuu-chah-nulth Warriors and Lorena Frank





tucup - sea urchin

Tla-o-qui-aht







DRUM STICK CARVING

Hjalmer and family came out and carved drum sticks with the youth for the carving on the edge festival.









APRIL SESSIONS RECRUITMENT

With great excitment we start back up our surf sessions and looking for youth ages 10 and up. We are so much more then just surfing at our core it's about exploring the water and being immersed in the great outdoors and having fun with friends. #allthingsboards

Reach out to Cass Hale (780-841-5530) or Kara and Neleeta Frank Youthworker@tla-o-qui-aht.org

We have such a fun season planned this year!

POPCORN FUNDRAISER

λeeko λeeko to everyone in coummunity that supported the youth selling popcorn.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT UPDATES



follow!



Watch out for dates & times for an additional

Women's Group Drop-In

coming in the near future with Lorena Frank - Family Cultural Activity Coordinator



MONDAYS 7:30-9:30 PM
WICKANINNISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM

Inviting women ages 14+ to join us each week for women's drop-in starting January 2025 on the following days:

 January 13
 March 3

 January 27
 March 10

 February 3
 March 31

 February 10
 April 7

 February 24
 April 14



For more information please contact our Women and Girls Coordinator
Dezerae Joseph by phone or email:
E- dezerae.joseph@tla-o-qui-aht.org P-(250)-725-3335

Girls Group with Dezerae Joseph

Tuesday's

Weekly programs for girls ages 6-10 years old

from 3:30-4:30 pm Hosted at Tiic'-Mis-Aq'kin Health Centre Thursday's

Weekly programs for girls ages 11-15 years old

from 4-6 pm Hosted at Tiic'-Mis-Aq'kin Health Centre

For more information please contact our Women and Girls Coordinator Dezerae Joseph E- dezerae.joseph@tla-o-qui-aht.org P- (250)-735-4507



YOUTH DROP-IN NIGHT

At the Tiic-Mis-Aq'Kin Health Center with Lacey Adams

Ages 6+

Come join in for some games and snacks

Friday and Saturday

from 6pm-10pm

FRANSPORTATION BENEFITS MEDICAL





cost of travel expenses to access medically necessary health services not The Medical Transportation (MT) benefit is intended to supplement the available in your community of residence.

If you are registered with First Nations Health Benefits & Services (FNHBS), you are eligible for MT benefits.

What my plan covers

You can access MT benefits for travel to access

- Plan (MSP) or a public health agency (e.g., can cer-
- Services eligible under FNHBS (e.g., dental.
- Traditional healers, if approved as an Exception;
- Treatment Centres for Substance Use (formerly NNADAP); or

Note: Some travel requests require additional documentation. Your Patient

Travel (PT) Clerk or ENHBS can support this process.



documentation or required travel forms, please scan the QR code For additional information on current MT rates, escort eligibility, to visit our website.

health services, including the following:

Medical services covered by the BC Medical Services related travel);

Travel back to your community

not covered by your MT benefits

Some types of travel that are

include, but are not limited to:

of residence if you became ill

during non-medical related

travel; or

- vision, etc.);
- Publicly funded diagnostic tests and preventative screening programs;
- Opioid Agonist Treatment (OAT)

MT benefits may provide funding towards the cost of travel, accommodation and meals for the following:

- > A mileage rate that supplements the cost of fuel;
- Non-commercial accommodation (i.e., Jean C. Barber Lodge or Easter Seals);
- Commercial accommodation at the most economical medical rate;
- > Accommodation in private homes
- > Meals at a daily rate, nightly rate or weekly rate.

Note: If you need someone to accompany you for medical travel, you may be eligible to travel with an Escort.

How do I access coverage?

Where you access the program depends on what Nation and/or community you are from and where you live. If you live in community, please contact your community's Patient Travel (PT) Clerk to access your MT benefits. **If you live outside your community,** or are unsure who to contact for your travel, please call us at **1-855-550-5454**.



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What my plan does

not cover

appointment at least five days before your trip to get prior approval. Submit your travel request and your written confirmation of



Travel where the only purpose

is to pick up items that do not need to be fitted (e.g.,

You receive your travel arrangements from your PT Clerk or FNHBS. Attend your appointment as scheduled and get a signed



prescriptions, glasses/contacts

and various medical supplies

and equipment items).

Submit your Confirmation of Attendance slip to your PT Clerk or to FNHBS.

confirmation of attendance slip from your provider.

If you have any questions about your MT benefits or how to access coverage, please call FNHBS at 1-855-550-5454. NOVEMBER 2023

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DATES

MONTH FOR:	RENEWAL DATE:	DISTRIBUTION:
April	March 05,2025	March 27,2025
May	April 04,2025	April 24,2025
June	May 05,2025	May 29,2025
July	June 05,2025	June 26,2025
August	July 04,2025	July 24,2025
September	August 05,2025	August 28,2025
October	September 05,2025	September 25,2025
November	October 06,2025	October 23,2025
December	November 05,2025	November 27,2025
January	December 05,2025	December 18,2025
February	January 05,2026	January 29,2026
March	February 05,2026	February 26,2026
April	March 05,2026	March 26,2026





"Iuncheon

TARA-LYNN CURLEY 250 725 MAY 22ND 2025 AT 12 PM, AT PLEASE JOIN US MAY 8TH & MICC OPITSAHT CONTACT 3335 IF ANY QUESTIONS



TLA-O-QUI-AHT FIRST NATION



Please join us May 6th & May 21st 2025 at 12PM, at Tiic-Mis-Tara-Lynn Curley @ 250-725-Aq'kin Health Center if any questions please contact 3335



TLA-O-QUI-AHT FIRST NATION





Tla-o-qui-aht Culture Nights <u>Tofino Community Hall Dates</u>

Sundays - 7PM-9PM

April 20,27 2025 May 11,18,25 2025 June 1,8,15,22,29 2025

Please bring chumus to share Bring your own water bottle

Eagle departure 6:30 from Opitsaht Van departure 6:30 from Ty-histanis Health Centre

Culture nights are Sober events. Please be respectful for all community members to enjoy. Anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave immediately



Tla-o-qui-aht Culture Nights

Wickaninnish School Gym Dates

<u> Thursdays</u> -7:30PM-9:30PM

May 1,8,15,22,29 2025 June 5,12,19 2025

No Chumus allowed at W.E.S gym Bring a water bottle and your own chair

Eagle Departure 7PM from Opitsaht Van Departure 7PM from Ty-Histanis Health Centre

Culture nights are Sober events. Please be respectful for all members to enjoy.

Anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave immediately





Memorandum

Date: April 2rd, 2025

To: Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Staff & Members Fr: Administration

Subject: Protecting Our Community from Illicit Drugs

Dear Community Members,

We are writing to bring an important matter to your attention. It has been reported that illicit drugs, such as cocaine, methamphetamine, and other substances, are being sold and distributed within our communities on the West Coast. This issue is of great concern to us, particularly when it comes to protecting our youth and vulnerable populations.

We wish to make it clear that the safety and well-being of our community members, especially our younger generations, is our top priority. We strongly encourage anyone who may have information regarding the sale or distribution of these dangerous substances to come forward. Your help is crucial in protecting our people from the devastating impacts these drugs can have on our lives.

Please know that we are committed to working together to ensure our community remains a safe place for everyone, and we ask for your support in stopping the spread of illicit drugs within our community.

This is not a matter of targeting individuals, but rather of fostering collective responsibility and care for each other. Let us all stand together to ensure that our youth are not exposed to the harms of these substances.

Thank you for your attention to this serious issue.

On behalf of Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations,

Elmer Frank

Tla-o-qui-aht Chief Councillor

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TLA-O-QUI-AHT FIRST NATION
PO Box 18 #1119 Pacific Rim Hwy . Tofino . BC . V0R 2Z0



Memorandum

Date: April 2nd, 2025

To: Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Staff & Members Fr: Administration Subject: Addressing Alcohol Consumption in Our Community

Dear Community Members,

As we continue to navigate a period of significant grief and loss, we want to take a moment to address an issue that has come to our attention. Recently, our communities of Opitsaht and Tyhistanis have been affected by ongoing and excessive alcohol consumption in both private homes and public spaces. This has become a concern; especially given the recent tragedies our community has faced.

We understand the pain that comes with grief and loss, and it is in these difficult moments that we must be there for one another. However, it is also essential that we, as a community, find healthy ways to cope with our sorrow and support each other through these challenging times. The ongoing and excessive drinking is not helping in the healing process and only adds to the burden we are already carrying.

We ask that everyone come together and help reduce public and private drinking. This message is not directed at any one individual or family but is a call for collective healing and compassion. We have endured so much grief over the past months, and it is vital that we find strength in one another to move forward and process our losses in a healthy way.

We are open to any ideas, solutions, or assistance that could help our community address this issue and ensure we all heal together.

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"The hummingbird is the joyful messenger, and the healer. When the hummingbird appears in a time of great sorrow and pain, healing will soon follow. They are also a very important symbol of love and beauty."



Break the Cycle of Addiction. Start Your Healing Journey Today

Are you or a loved one facing struggles with addiction and its associated trauma? Many members of our community deal with substance use daily. We want you to know there is hope for recovery within the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation. Yes, hope exists.

Our Transition House Team is dedicated to supporting you and your family as we assess the impacts of alcohol, opioids, and trauma together. We will work collaboratively to create a client-centered care plan tailored to your unique needs and goals. With compassion and commitment, our team will guide and assist you on your journey to recovery.

If you have a loved one—whether it's a brother, sister, uncle, aunt, mother, or father—who is in Vancouver, Victoria, Port Alberni, Nanaimo, or anywhere else, our team is prepared to meet them where they are and support them in overcoming the challenges of addiction within our community.

Let's take action together before addiction takes them away from us. Help us help them!

 $Contact\ us\ at:\ communityservices @tla-o-qui-aht.org\ or\ call\ Garry\ Eugene\ at:\ 250.725.3335.$



IRA SERVICES UPDATE

SCIS (STATUS CARDS) & OTHER EVENTS (I.E. NAME CHANGES, BIRTH, DIVORCE, ETC)

We have no CIS cards. We only have SCIS 10 year (adult)/5 year (kids) Applications.

Support for birth registration or SCIS (10 Year adult/5 year children) applications available.

SCIS application form(s) link can be found on our website for Membership and IRA Services. https://www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/ira-registry

Also included on our IRA-Registry page is a **Lost and Stolen Declaration Form**.

Please contact Leah Morgan, IRA should you wish to know how to fill out the forms as a 10 year SCIS card holder and to be a Guarantor.

Leah A. Morgan, IRA

250-725-3350, email: <u>ira@tla-o-qui-aht.org</u>

IRA Services

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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25	26	Tuesday May 27 th 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM MICC, Opitsaht	28	29	30	31

LAND CODE SUMMARY

What is the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Land Code?

- The Land Code sets out the principles, the rules, policies, practices, procedures and administrative structures that apply to Tla-o-qui-aht Lands and the manner in which Tla-o-qui-aht shall exercise authority over those lands.
- The Land Code explains the land governance structure that Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation wishes to use for managing and caring for the lands and natural resources.

What is Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Land Governance?

- Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation land governance will be made up of the rules, processes, and systems for making decisions about Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation lands and natural resources.
- The Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation Land Code reflects our way of practicing land Governance

PREAMBLE



- Explains that the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation have a profound relationship with the land and resources in their territory passed down through generations, and how they have occupied, protected and benefitted from their lands and resources since time immemorial
- Asserts that the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation shall exercise their inherent right of self-government over their lands, natural resources and airspace, and provide for management thereto, that is accessible, stable, effective, accountable and transparent.

Part I

FUNDAM	FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS			
1	Land Rights	 This Land Code does not define or prejudice Aboriginal rights, Aboriginal title, treaty rights, inherent rights, or any other rights. This Land Code does not change the fiduciary relationship between Canada and the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation. 		

Part II

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PURPOSE,	PURPOSE, DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS			
	Purpose	 The purpose of this Land Code is to set out the principles, the rules, policies, practices, procedures and administrative structures that will apply to Tla-o-qui-aht Lands and the manner in which Tla-o-qui-aht shall exercise authority over those lands. 		
	Definitions	 The words and terminology used in this Land Code are explained in this section. 		
	Interpretations	 This section provides clarification of concepts, words and terms that may be ambiguous. 		

Part III

LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCES				
	Description of Lands	 The Land Code will only apply to reserve lands through out our traditional territory. 		
سی		We will continue to exercise our aboriginal rights and title within our traditional territory.		
		We can also add land through the addition to reserves process, if we acquire more land.		
	Natural Resources	 Natural Resources and the revenue from them belong to the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation. 		
		The Land Code will enable us to manage our natural resources in keeping with our culture and traditions.		

Part IV

LANDS AND	LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCES ADMINISTRATION		
LANDS AND	NATURAL RESO Lands Code Office	 1) Land Code Office will be responsible for: advising Council on the development and amendment of Land Laws; arranging Lands Meetings and Votes in accordance with this Land Code; proposing to Council the annual Lands workplan and Lands budget; providing input to the Nation's annual reports in respect of Lands revenues and activities; a land administration system, such as record keeping, data management, and approved forms and procedure: assigning Interests in Tla-o-qui-aht Lands and registering or recording of any Interest or Interests in Tla-o-qui-aht Lands in the First Nations Land Register, where instructed by Council or the Lands Advisory Committee; processing applications for the registration or recording of Written Instruments and documents in the First Nations Land Register; arranging for the execution of Written Instruments and related documents on behalf of Tla-o-qui-aht and Canada; 	
		 maintaining and protecting Tla-o-qui-aht Lands records; and administering fee simple lands owned by the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation. 	

Lands Advisory Committee	 The Lands Advisory Committee's role will be to advise Council and the Land Code Office on land related matters, including: granting of Interests and Licences;
	 land use plans; Members' and others' recommendations regarding lands and environment concerns and priorities; recommending to Council Land Laws, Resolutions, rules, policies, practices and procedures in relation to Tla-o-qui-aht Lands; holding regular Land Advisory Committee meetings and
	Lands Meeting to discuss Lands issues and, where appropriate, making recommendations to Council in respect to those issues; and facilitating community approvals and ratifications

Part V

TLA-0-QUI-AHT LEGISLATION			
Law Making	1) Council must, in accordance with this Land Code, make Tla-o-		
Powers	qui-aht Land Laws respecting development, conservation,		
	protection, preservation, management, use, possession and		
	occupancy of Tla-o-qui-aht Lands such as:		
	Land Use and Development Law;		
	> Community Protection;		
	Animal Responsibility Law;		
	Natural Resources Management;		
	> Business Licencing;		
	> Building Law;		
	> Granting Interests and Licences		
Law Making	Land Law Enforcement.		
Law Making	1) A Law can be proposed by Council, Lands Manager, Individuals		
Procedures	with 75% support.		
	2) The Land Advisory Committee tables the proposed law to council.		
	3) Council brings the proposed law to a Lands Meeting for		
	information only (Part VI)		
	4) Once a final draft law is prepared, Council brings it back to the		
	Membership for ratification (Part IV)		
	5) If ratified Council will enact the law.		
Emergency	1) Council can pass laws when there is urgency to do so such as:		
Laws	> for public health and safety;		
	> to protect Tla-o-qui-aht Nation;		
	> to protect Tla-o-qui-aht Members; or		
	in the case of an emergency event or circumstance.		

Notice and Publication of Land Laws	 Notice of a newly enacted Land Law shall be posted on the website and in public areas within seven (7) days of its enactment.
	 A true copy of a Land Law or Land Use Plan shall be kept in the Tla-o-qui-aht Land Law Registry.
	 Land Laws or Land Use Plan Registry shall be accessible to the public Monday to Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00
	 p.m. Copies of Land Laws or Land Use Plan shall be provided to Members and other Persons, upon payment of a reasonable copying fee and administration.

Part VI

MEMBER INPUT AND APPROVALS				
	Lands Meeting	 When a law is proposed and drafted Council through Land Code Office calls a Lands Meeting to present the proposed law. Members can ask questions and provide input. This first meeting is for information only. Members are encouraged to continue providing input even after the meeting. 	I	
	Ratification Vote	 A Ratification Meeting will be held vote on proposed law or Matter a month later. A majority of 50+1 of the Members at the meeting and those voting electronically is required to determine whether a majority of participating Eligible Voters approve a Law or Matter. 		

Part VII

EXPROPRIA [*]	TION AND PROT	[ECTION	N
	Expropriation	1)	An Expropriation of land may be made only if Council considers it necessary for a community purpose and it must be approved at a Lands Meeting.
		2)	An Interest can be expropriated if it is determined to be fraudulent or to have been granted for an illegal purpose, or not in the best interests of the TFN.
*	Land Exchanges	>	Any exchange of Lands is subject to the following requirements: the area of the new land and its value must be greater than the land which will cease to be TFN Lands; a Vote must be held in which a majority of participating Eligible Voters approve of the land exchange; and prior to the Vote, the Eligible Voters must be informed of total compensation, including monetary or other compensation, as well as the area, value, and environmental condition of the new land

Part VIII

CONFLICT OF INTEREST	CONFLICT OF INTEREST				
Conflict of	1) A person fails to meet the Conflict of Interest obligations under this				
interest	Land Code, where that person:				
obligations	provides incomplete or misleading information regarding a				
	Conflict of Interest;				

	1	 improperly participates in a decision where there is a Conflict of Interest; and fails to comply with Conflict of Interest rules established and are applicable to signing cheques or financial transfers. Council may, by majority vote, decide that the person in a Conflict of
	ccountability r conflicts interest	Interest situation is subject to any of the following: > removal from Council; > termination as an employee or as contractor > removal from board or committee, or any other body established by Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation; > removal from any dispute resolution process involving Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation; and > disqualification from holding office, employment, or any other position with Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation for any time period Council deems appropriate.

Part IX

FINANCIAL	ADMINISTRATIO	DN		
HACH, PASSES	Financial management	1) Tla-o-qui-aht funds expended in relation to Tla-o-qui-aht Lands administered under this Land Code shall be conducted in keeping with the Tla-o-qui-aht Financial Administration Law, adopted on March 17, 2016 as amended from time to time and all regulations, policies or procedures enacted or approved under it.		
and a Brail ()	Financial Accountability	 There will be least three signing officers with authority to issue cheques or approve the transfers of Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation land funds. No one can carry out transfers to themselves or to any entity in which they have an ownership Interest or are a director. Council may establish limits on the authority of signing officers including maximum dollar amount. Conflict of Interest rules are applicable to signing cheques or transfers of funds. 		

Part X

INTERESTS	INTERESTS IN TLA-0-QUI-AHT LANDS			
	Registration of interests and licences	 Process and procedures of registering an Interest in Tla-o-quant land. Record keeping in the First Nations Land Registry 	ui-	
		Automatic recognition of Interests that were registered befor the Land Code came into effect.	-e	
	Member only interests	 Council may, in consultation with the Lands Advisory Committee, establish Land Laws, policies, and procedures respecting Member Only Interests and the transfer of those Member Only Interests to other Members, and may consider advice provided by the Lands Advisory Committee regarding those Matters. 	any	
	Interests and Licences	 An Interest in Tla-o-qui-aht may only be created, granted, disposed of, assigned to or transferred by a Written Instrume and in accordance with this Land Code. 	ent	

Lease Licence Mortgage	Limits on Mortgages and Seizure	 The Interest of a Member in Tla-o-qui-aht Lands may be subject to a mortgage or charge, but only to the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation with the written consent of Council The Council may establish mandatory standards, criteria and forms for Interests and Licences in the Nation's Land. The written consent of Council must be obtained for any grant or disposition of a lease, Licence or permit in the Nation's Land to a person who is not a Member The holder of a Certificate of Possession may only grant a mortgage of that interest to Tla-o-qui-aht or to a Member. A leasehold interest may be subject to charge or mortgage, Tla-o-qui-aht Members shall have first right of refusal. The term of any charge or mortgage of a leasehold interest shall not exceed the term of the lease. In the event of default in the terms of a charge or mortgage of a leasehold interest, the leasehold interest shall not be subject to possession by the chargee or mortgagee, foreclosure, power of sale or any other form of execution or seizure, unless: the charge or mortgage was registered in the First Nation's Land Registry, and the chargee or mortgagee has given the Council, acting on behalf of Tla-o-qui-aht, 90 days on which to redeem the charge or mortgage. If the Council exercises its power of redemption with respect to a leasehold interest, Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation becomes the lessee of the land and takes the position of the charger or mortgager for all purposes after the date of the redemption, and, for greater certainty has full and
	Registration of mortgages and charges Wills and estates	 immediate rights to access and eviction. 1) A mortgage or charge made after this Land Code comes into force is void unless it properly registered in the First Nations Land Register, and cremains in good standing 1) The following persons are entitled to have their Interest, arising from wills and estates, registered in the First Nations Lands Register: > Member who receives an Interest under a will or estate; > a non-Member or Member who receives a leasehold Interest under a will or estate; and > a person who holds an Interest on behalf of a minor or a Mentally Incompetent person.

Part XI

DISPUTE RESOLUTION		
455	Dispute Resolution	 1) Resolution of disputes will attempt to adhere to the following steps: > disputants try to resolve the issue(s) informally > engage a Dispute Resolution Panel; > mediation; > arbitration; > Court or Justice off the Peace.

OTHER MA	TTERS	
OTTER MA	Liability	 The Land Code serves Tla-o-qui-aht harmless and indemnify against any omissions that occurred on the land before this Land Code came into force and effect. Every Tla-o-qui-aht employee in land administration or collecting or accounting for Lands revenue shall be bondable. Council shall arrange, maintain and pay insurance coverage for personal liability of Tla-o-qui-aht Councillors, officers and employees for carrying out duties related to Tla-o-qui-aht Lands under this Land Code.
O	Land Code Amendments	 The Council may, by Resolution, make non-substantive amendments to this Land Code. Any Substantive Amendments to this Land Code shall be approved at a Lands Meeting, in accordance with section 18 This Land Code must undergo a review on the second-year anniversary of the effective date, and on each consecutive two-year anniversary.
	Commencement	 The Land Code will be approved by a ratification vote, held pursuant to the Tla-o-qui-aht Community Ratification Process. This Land Code shall take effect on the first day of the month following the date that Members approve both this Land Code and the Individual Agreement with Canada in accordance with the Tla-o-qui-aht Community Ratification Process. The Land Code will be certified by a verifier pursuant to the Framework Agreement.
	Land Laws Amendments	 A Tla-o-qui-aht Land Law may be repealed or amended following the procedure set out in section 13 of this Land Code. Where a Tla-o-qui-aht Land Law does not provide a procedure for its repeal or amendment, it may be repealed or amended in the same manner in which it is enacted.

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QUESTIONS

For more information and updates: www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/landcode

Whitney Lukuku landcode@tla-o-qui-aht.org

Please join us at upcoming membership meetings, to guide our staff and leadership in this process. Dates and locations to be posted to the \(\lambda\)a?uukwi?atḥ website, Facebook, and via notices circulated by email \(\frac{www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/newsletter-sign-up}\)

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TRANSFER STATION GUIDE

Other



Large Items



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Flammable Aserosols

Store chemicals in original container with proper label.

https://www.bcrecycles.ca/resources-bc-recycles-pamphlet FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT RECYCLING visit:

Household Items Special /



Electronics / Small Appliances

COMPOST





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FRUITS & VEGETABLES

BREAD, DOUGH, PASTA & GRAINS



MEAT, POULTRY, FISH SHELLFISH & BONES

PAPER TOWELS, NAPKINS, TEA BAGS, COFFEE GROUNDS & FILTERS

EGGS & DAIRY PRODUCTS

LAWN CLIPPINGS & TRIMMINGS

YARD WASTE,

ROADSIDE COLLECTION

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May 2025 paawacum! (Nesting Moon)

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SHOW WHEN THE TYHISTANIS TRANSFER STATION IS OPEN FOR DROP OFF. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CALL

WILL SEVERINSON 1-236-335-0263

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STAFF WILL NOT BE GOING HOUSE TO HOUSE TO PICK

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GARBAGE-RECYCLING-COMPOST SCHEDULE*

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STAFF WILL NOT BE CLIMBING SLIPPERY STAIRS OR ENTERING PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL GARBAGE, RECYLING, AND COMPOST

PEOPLES HOME TO PICK UP. - THANK YOU

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we ask that you kindly rinse well any recycling containers before Just a friendly reminder, disposing of in your bins. This saves a whole load from being discarded and unrecyclable.





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Compostable Bags in Organics Bin or Plastic <u>2</u>





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Chips & Pellets

3 SIMPLE STEPS FOR COMPOSTING

- Cut or tear items into bite-sized pieces and place into bucket.
- On compost pick-up day, place bucket with fastened lid on the curb.
 - Once your bucket is returned, rinse and refill for next time!



OPITSAHT RECYCLING GUIDE Rinse Containers, Keep Paper Dry

PICK-UP

Tuesdays & Fridays Questions? Please call O&M 250-725-3236 Ja | 1 (1) All Containers should be empty, rinsed, dry and placed in the BLUE BIN for pick up! ✓ Containers





Info and updates here: https://www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/public-works

ACRD Sort'nGo - April 2025





Used Oil & Anti-freeze Disposal & Recycling

Spring is that time of year when campers, motorcycles and cabriolets come out of hiding to explore and feel the wind on their hubcaps. With this comes a thorough engine check and possibly an oil change to start things off running smoothly. Whatever the reason, oil and antifreeze changes are a part of life and once complete, you are left with filters, messy bottles, waste oil and antifreeze to dispose of. Read on to discover how and where to dispose of these responsibly (and often for free!).

Where do I take used oil, oil filters, antifreeze and their containers?

If you brave doing your own oil or antifreeze changes, you should collect the used oil or antifreeze in separate seal-able containers and place the oil filter in a sealed plastic bag. Bring these to one of the following locations for free recycling:

• Tlaoquiaht Transfer Station

- $^{\circ}$ Hours of Operation: Monday Friday 8:30 am 4:00 pm and every other Sunday including May $4^{\text{th}}~\&~18^{\text{th}}$
 - Check in with staff when dropping off these items.
- Method Marine (Tofino)
- Tofino Harbour Authority
- Columbia Fuel (Ucluelet)
- Alberni Valley Sort'nGo Centre (AV Landfill)
- **Opitsaht residents:** Place these materials as instructed above <u>next to</u> your curbside collection bags.

Did you know...?

- ...used oil & used antifreeze plastic bottles cannot be placed in regular curbside recycling?
- ...the West Coast Landfill and the Ucluelet Bottle and Recycling Depot do not collect used oil, antifreeze, their bottles or filters?
- ...used oil must be uncontaminated by water or other pollutants in order to be accepted for disposal?

What happens if I spill oil or antifreeze?

Soak up the spill using cat litter, sawdust, or other absorbent material. Place these in a plastic bag and dispose of in the garbage.

What happens to collected used oil, oil filters, antifreeze and their containers?

Interchange Recycling is the BC not-for-profit recycling program that collects these materials. They rerefine 51% of used oil which is used as new lubricating oil. 10% of antifreeze collected is re-refined and gets a second life. An impressive 95% of oil filters are recycled into metal products including rebar, nails and wire. 100% of oil and antifreeze containers collected by Interchange are recycled and used to manufacture new oil containers, drainage tiles, and parking curbs.

Who pays for Interchange's recycling program?

Interchange's program is funded by its producer members, meaning that producers of engine oil and antifreeze pay an Environmental Handling Fee based on how much product and containers they distribute. Each Interchange member, however, determines if it will recover costs by passing along fees

to consumers in the form of an eco-fee at the point of sale. **Drop off at Interchange Recycling facilities is free of charge**. Other receiving facilities may charge a fee.

Does recycling oil and antifreeze really make a difference?

A little oil or antifreeze in the natural environment can do a lot of damage to local ecosystems. Interchange Recycling collects a significant volume of used oil each year – nearly 50 million litres in BC in 2023. Participating in their program keeps oil and antifreeze from entering waterways and affecting marine life.

Beyond being an eye-sore, empty bottles laying around the garage are a fire hazard and mixing these containers into food-container recycling contaminates the load of recyclables. 1.7 million kilograms of plastic containers were collected through Interchange Recycling's program in BC in 2023.

Thanks for doing your part ($\frac{3}{2}uu\underline{s}\underline{c}ak\underline{s}i\lambda$) and getting slick on these best practices for managing oil and antifreeze in our community.

Sort'nGo is the ACRD's waste management program. Email us at <u>sortngo@acrd.bc.ca</u> or call 250- 736-7678 (SORT).





The monthly Tsunami Siren <u>Testing</u>
this coming month in Ty-Histanis/Esowista
will be on <u>TUESDAY May 6th</u>

between 10am-noon



<u>School Boat Schedule</u> <u>February 25th, 2025-June 26th, 2025</u>

Current Rates

12 & Under & Students are Free 13-17yrs - \$5 * Adults (18-64)- \$7 Seniors (65 +) - \$3 * Freight -\$50

Leaving Opitsaht

Leaving Tofino

6:30am - First run 6:45am 7:00am 7:15am 7:35am-Highschool Run 7:45am 8:00am-Staff run 8:10am 8:20am —1st Elementary school run 8:30am -2nd Elementary school run 8:45am 9:15am 9:00am 9:30am 9:45am 10:00am 10:15am 11:00am 11:15am 12:00pm 12:15pm 1:00pm 1:15pm 1:30pm 1:45pm 2:00 pm 2:15 pm 2:45pm Elementary Return 2:30pm

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9:30pm -Last run from Tofino 9:45pm -Last run to Opitsaht

THE SKIPPER HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE SERVICE, ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED ON THIS UESSEL!!

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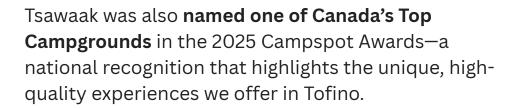
Celebrating Leadership & Recognition in \(\lambda \)?uuk\(\widetigra \); Owned Tourism

We are proud to share that Maria Clark, General Manager of Tin Wis Resort, was nominated and awarded Business Leader of the Year at the recent Business Excellence Awards! This recognition speaks to Maria's outstanding leadership and deep commitment to community and culture.



Tin Wis Resort was also **nominated as Employer of the Year**, and although we did not take home the award, we are honoured to be recognized among such inspiring workplaces.

Over at Tsawaak RV Resort, the team was **nominated as New Business of the Year**, and while we didn't win, the nomination itself is a testament to the incredible growth and dedication of this new \(\lambda a\)?uukwi?at\(\hatha\)-owned venture.



Congratulations to all staff and teams who continue to represent \(\lambda \)?uuk\(\mathbb{v} \) iralies through hard work, hospitality, and excellence in every season.

Rachel Leghissa

Marketing Manager | sales@tinwis.ca

Tin Wis Resort <u>www.tinwis.ca</u>
Tsawaak RV Resort <u>www.tsawaakrvresort.ca</u>
Tla-o-qui-aht Tribal Parks <u>www.tribalparks.com</u>





Destination Stewardship Plan

Have Your Say On The Future of Tourism in Tofino

The **District of Tofino** and **Tourism Tofino** are developing a **Destination Stewardship Plan** - a long-term framework that will guide future tourism-related planning, strategies, and initiatives in Tofino.

Join us at one of our upcoming Open Houses to learn more and share your input.

Attendees are entered to win a \$200 Coop Gift Card!

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Tuesday, April 29, 2025



4 - 6 PM



Clayoquot Sound Theatre
380 Campbell Street, Tofino
*No registration required

TY-HISTANIS



Friday, May 2, 2025



8:45 - 11 AM



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Call Rose David, Administrative Secretary / Community Liaison for more details and to add your name to our list.

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We are moving away from printing copies of this newsletter, with feedback from many members expressing a preference for receiving it digitally by email instead.

Sign up via our website www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/newsletter-sign-up or email info@tla-o-qui-aht.org to be added to the digital list or to let us know if you would still like a paper copy delivered to your door.



TLA-O-QUI-AHT JOB POSTINGS

The following is a **brief summary** of current job postings. Duties, responsibilities and qualifications can be found online under the *People*: *Employment* section of the Tla-o-qui-aht website: www.tla-o-qui-aht.org/employment, or by clicking the images below. Contact one of our offices if you would like a copy printed for pick up.

Please submit your application or resume to Human Resources at <u>jobs@tla-o-qui-aht.org</u> or drop off in person at our Tla-o-qui-aht Administration Office at 1119-A Pacific Rim Highway.

- COMMUNITY SERVICES JOB POSTINGS -



















TLA-O-QUI-AHT JOB POSTINGS - cont'd

Contact jobs@tla-o-qui-aht.org

- EDUCATION JOB POSTINGS -















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Job Exp

- May 15, 2025
- From 11:00am-8:00pm
- Tin Wis Conference Hall 1119 Pacific Rim Hwy, Tofino, BC

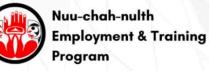
Everyone is welcome to attend

- Connect with local employers and organizations
- Explore career options
- Resume & interview workshops
- Grow your professional network
- Get your resume reviewed
- · Door prizes and snacks!

For more information please contact:

- info@tla-o-qui-aht.org
- **250-725-3350.**





































From the Office of the Development Corporation - April 2025

Here are some updates from a few of our companies:

Job Opportunities:

The **Tin Wis Resort** is currently hiring for a <u>Tourism and Development Manager</u>, we encourage anyone who is interested to reach out to <u>careers@tfndevcorp.ca</u>!

Our **Micro-Hydro Plants** continue to look for a <u>Plant Operator Assistant</u>. If this is a position you are interested in, please reach out to us or email your cover letter and resume to <u>careers@tfndevcorp.ca</u>.

The **TDC** office is looking to add a <u>Bookkeeping Clerk</u> to our team. If you have any experience in Bookkeeping and Accounting or are in pursuit of a career in that field we would love to hear from you. Please send your resume/ cover letter to <u>careers@tfndevcorp.ca</u> or stop by our office to say hi!

On **May 15**th TFN is hosting a job fair at the Tin Wis Resort. Several tables will be set up to provide information on job opportunities across a few of TDC's entities. Feel free to bring your resume and questions for current and future employment opportunities, we look forward to seeing you there! All up to date Job postings are currently on the TFN website tla-o-qui-aht.org <u>linked here under people/employment</u>.

Company Updates and Highlights:

We are incredibly proud to announce that Tin Wis Resort's AGM, Maria Clark received the accolade of <u>Business Leader of the Year</u>. This award is given to those who have exemplified their commitment to the business community of Tofino. Maria's leadership, compassion towards staff, and commitment to indigenous values are a few of

many reasons why she has won this award. Please join us in congratulating Maria on her well-deserved achievement! Additionally, we would like to congratulate **Tsawaak Rv Resort** for making the final nomination short list for New Business of the Year.

TDC's CEO Nik, made it out to the Micro-Hydro facilities to see and learn how they run. Plant operators Trent, Timmy, and Brendan gave safe and informative tours showcasing the key components of how the plants function and what they do on a



daily basis to keep things running. It was a great opportunity to connect with the team and hear about their day-to-day activities, we look forward to more visits in the future.

Tin Wis Resort's team is working on a few projects before the busy season kicks off. Below, we can see the new EV chargers being installed towards the back of the parking lot. Additionally, there is a new smaller structure which has a foundation being built just beyond the frame of the photo, we look forward to sharing more about this project and what is in store for the property in the near future!



Please forward any inquiries to **250-725-1960** or **info@tfndevcorp.ca**, office located at Building B – 1119 Pacific Rim Hwy.









Project Coordinator for the Nuu-chah-nulth Salmon Governance Project

We are looking for a **Project Coordinator for the Nuu-chah-nulth Salmon Governance Project**. This role will support the initiative "Empowering Indigenous Governance and Racial Justice through Nuu-chah-nulth Salmon Laws and Consultation Protocol." The coordinator will document traditional Nuu-chah-nulth salmon laws, advocate for their recognition, and develop protocols for the five Nations and the government of Canada. Key responsibilities include project planning, stakeholder engagement, research, and administrative oversight to ensure successful execution of the initiative.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in Indigenous governance, environmental policy, marine biology, project management, or a related field (or equivalent experience).
- At least 2 years of experience in project coordination or Indigenous governance.

 Understanding of Indigenous governance principles, Nuu-chah-nulth laws, and community engagement.

- Experience working with First Nations governments and communities.
- Ability to organize culturally respectful meetings and workshops.
- Strong organizational skills to manage multiple priorities.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word and Excel).

Job Benefits:

- Medical coverage
- Pension plan
- Three weeks of paid vacation

Send your resume to:

Audrey@haoom.ca

Click here, or the poster, for full 4 page job description



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Job Posting: Nuu-chah-nulth Salmon Governance Project Coordinator Location: In proximity to Tofino, Port Alberni, Gold River, or Campbell River. Salary: Starting at \$54,000 based on experience (4 days/week) + competitive benefits package; 4-year term (potential for extension)

Who We Are:

Ha'oom Fisheries Society is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the fishing rights of the Tla-o-qui-aht, Ahousaht, Hesquiaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, and Ehattesaht/Chinehkint First Nations ("the five Nations"). We assist the five Nations in managing their rights-based commercial fisheries, which includes supporting them exercise their right to harvest and sell fish. Our efforts also focus on increasing their role in managing and protecting fisheries habitats, as well as supporting the maintenance and restoration of these resources. Additionally, we implement capacity-building programs in marine science and fisheries mentorship for the communities, and support the integration of traditional knowledge and leadership in fisheries management.

HFS is guided by the Nuu-chah-nulth principles of hishuk ish tsa'walk (everything is connected, everything is one) and isaak (respect) in all its efforts to manage fisheries for the Five Nations.

About the Role:

We are looking for a Nuu-chah-nulth Salmon Governance Project Coordinator to coordinate and support the implementation of the "Empowering Indigenous Governance and Racial Justice through Nuu-chah-nulth Salmon Laws and Consultation Protocol Initiative." The initiative aims to document traditional Nuu-chah-nulth salmon laws, advocate for their recognition, and develop protocols and policies for the five Nations, as well as between the five Nations and the government of Canada. The Project Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating project planning, stakeholder engagement, research, and providing administrative oversight to ensure successful execution.

Key Responsibilities:

a) Project Coordination and Implementation:

Implementing Nuu-chah-nulth Fishing Rights



Some of the Vancouver Sun Run Tla-o-qui-aht Team April 27, 2025.

"The **Vancouver Sun Run** has been Canada's largest 10k road race since its inception in 1985, and is currently the third largest timed 10k in North America. Founded by former Canadian Olympians Dr. Doug and Diane Clement along with Dr. Jack Taunton. The event morphed into the phenomenon it is today with thousands upon thousands descending upon the streets of Vancouver each year in celebration of Vancouver Sun Run Sunday!...

The run is supported by its loyal host committee and an army of over 1,500 volunteers.... The Sun Run mission is to be Canada's leading and most influential 10k race, inspiring healthy, active lifestyles for people of all ages and at any fitness level year-over-year by offering fun and accessible community-based running/walking event and programs in B.C."



~ from https://www.vancouversunrun.com/history/









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Photos above from