2023-24 Indigenous Violence Prevention Grants Program Funding Criteria and Guidelines

Grounded in Newfoundland and Labrador culture, the Indigenous Violence Prevention Grants Program reaffirms the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's commitment to preventing violence experienced by Indigenous women, children, and 2SLGBTQQIA+ individuals in our province.

In order to achieve the long-term systemic change required to prevent violence in Indigenous communities, it is essential that the Provincial Government work collaboratively with Indigenous women's groups and organizations to achieve our collective goal – a society where Indigenous women, children, and 2SLGBTQQIA+ individuals live free from the threat of violence and abuse.

Based on knowledge shared from Indigenous women's groups and organizations, the Provincial Government acknowledges that there are many culturally appropriate approaches to preventing violence in Indigenous communities including, but not limited to, the following:

- Increasing awareness, education, and training;
- Investing in leadership development;
- Building community capacity; and
- Enhancing opportunities for healing.

Proposals that include one or more of the following activities will be considered for 2023-24 Program funding:

- Implementing community-driven violence prevention programs;
- Developing public awareness and education materials or activities such as posters, pamphlets or advertisements to increase public awareness and positively change attitudes concerning violence;
- Developing anti-violence training materials;
- Providing violence prevention training for community members and service providers;
- Developing community, leadership, and/or educational capacities with the objective of reducing violence;
- Developing mentoring programs with the objective of reducing violence;
- Engaging Indigenous men and boys in the prevention of violence;
- Improving the cultural strength of Indigenous communities and/or supporting the transmission of cultural knowledge and language with the objective of reducing violence;
- Providing healing programs in relation to the effects of violence;
- Improving programs and delivery of services at shelters for Indigenous women; and/or
- Developing and delivering cultural and other wellness program, activities, and training that support violence prevention.

Funding Level:

Applicants can request up to \$30,000 per project. Successful applicants will be required to enter into a funding/grant contract with His Majesty in Right of Newfoundland and Labrador, as represented by the Minister Responsible for Women and Gender Equality.

Consideration will be given to joint partnership proposals submitted by two or more Indigenous governments and/or organizations. Funding decisions for partnership proposals will be based on the project's scope, geography, and participation of each Indigenous partner.

Eligible Expenses:

Project funding can be used to cover any of the following expenses*:

- Salaries;
- Administration;
- Office expenses;
- Travel costs;
- Professional fees; and
- Other related project expenses.

* Please note that any unused funds as of March 31, 2024 must be returned to the Office of Women and Gender Equality.

Deadline for Applications:

The deadline for receipt of applications is Friday, June 30, 2023.

Reporting Requirements:

Upon completion of the project, a final project report **<u>must</u>** be submitted that includes:

- A description of the project;
- A summary of project work and activities;
- A summary of recommendations or lessons learned;
- A detailed budget breakdown of how funds were spent; and
- Copies of any materials developed through the project.

Application Support:

The Office of Women and Gender Equality is available to help support you in completing your application. Please contact Heather Elliott, Senior Policy, Planning and Research Analyst, at 729-5854 or email <u>heatherlelliott@gov.nl.ca</u>.