



WIGWAMEN KIDS' HOPE & STRENGTH ART CONTEST!

See page 3 for contest details.

PAID YOUTH TRAINING & JOB PLACEMENT

STARTING MON, JUNE 1

SERVICE CANADA INFO SESSION

FOR WIGWAMEN RESIDENTS
(ONLINE OR CALL) WED, JUNE 10

See page 2 for more information!



Mikaela received her book from Wigwamen's book club back in February!



WIGWAMEN POST- SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!!!

OTHER WIGWAMEN SPECIAL INITIATIVES

- ◆ MONTHLY ZERO-BALANCE RAFFLE
- ◆ GIFT BASKETS FOR NEW BABIES
- ◆ BACK-TO-SCHOOL PACKS

For more information, please contact Amber Seager at aseager@wigwamen.com or 1-888-248-2104 x223.

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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Kathleen Blinkhorn Aboriginal Student Scholarship.

**Applications are due on
Friday, June 12.**

Look online at http://onpha.on.ca/Content/Membership/Scholarships/Kathleen_Blinkhorn_Aboriginal_Student_Scholarship.aspx for more details.

Wigwamen Scholarship Applications are now open! Please apply by Friday, July 10.

Application packages for Wigwamen's 14th Annual Post-Secondary Scholarships have been mailed out! **To qualify, your application must be postmarked no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, July 10, 2020!**

Worth up to \$2,000 for a full-time course of study & up to \$1,000 for a part-time course of study, this program provides financial support to tenants of Wigwamen interested in pursuing post-secondary education.

To qualify for consideration, you must:

- ◆ Be a tenant of Wigwamen, identified on the lease, for a minimum of six consecutive months.
- ◆ Be currently enrolled in an accredited Ontario public college or university on a full or part-time basis.
- ◆ Demonstrate a combination of academic merit and community involvement.

DATES TO WATCH OUT FOR!

Service Canada Info Session for Wigwamen Residents on Wednesday, June 10, 10:30am.

Join this one hour session to receive updates directly from Service Canada re: Pension, SIN, Passport, EI, and new measures such as CERB. Attendees will have a chance to ask questions at the end of the session. Attendees will be automatically entered for a chance to win a gift card!

Teleconference (toll-free): 1-877-413-4790

Access code: 8159277 (call 15 minutes prior)

Online live presentation: <https://gts-ee.webex.com/>

Meeting Number: 557 550 111 | Password: service

For more info, email cchen@wigwamen.com

Paid Youth Training & Job Placement Starting on Monday, June 1.

Offered through phone, email, or online, this program assists youth 15 - 30 who are not employed, not in school, and not on Employment Insurance to:

- ◆ To learn skills such as financial literacy and resume writing
- ◆ Through 3 weeks of paid skills training & 10 weeks of paid work placement
- ◆ With free expert job coaching & more!

To register, email alan_ott@yes.on.ca or call 416-656-8900 x100. You may visit www.yes.on.ca for more information!

WIGWAMEN KIDS' HOPE & STRENGTH ART CONTEST!

Calling all Wigwamen tenants age 13 and under; create & submit a piece of original art for a chance to win \$100!!!

A set of prizes will be awarded for 2 age divisions (8 & under; 9-13, as of July 31):

- ◆ 1st prize: \$100 cheque
- ◆ 2nd prize: \$75 cheque
- ◆ 3rd prize: \$50 cheque

\$10 McDonalds gift cards will also be awarded for participation.

1. Select one of these themes:

- ◆ Pick a word - either "hope" or "strength" - to use as a theme
- ◆ Depict an object or image that represents to you something about your family that you are proud of
- ◆ "Superhero _____" - depict a family member with their "superpowers" (real or imagined!)

2. Create your art using any medium!

You may write a description to submit with your work (max 150 words).

3. Write out your information to attach to your artwork submission.

Please include your name, age, birthdate (dd/mmm/yyyy), selected theme & your parents' permission to publish your art on Wigwamen's newsletter & website.

4. Submit your entry!

Mail your artwork, contestant information (step 3), & artwork description (optional) to Wigwamen Head Office. Attn: A. Palmer, Re: Kids Art Contest, 23 Lesmill Rd. Unit 106, Toronto ON M3B 3P6

To qualify for the contest, your submission must be postmarked no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, July 31, 2020.

ZERO BALANCE RAFFLE DRAW WINNERS
Congratulations Tasher & Patricia Waukey!



Proper Disposal of Grease!

1. Let the grease solidify or cool to room temperature.
2. Pour or scoop it into a container that can be sealed (e.g. plastic bottle, old coffee jar etc.).
3. Place the sealed container in the trash bin.

Grease and oil must never be dumped down the drain; this will clog your pipes and damage the plumbing system for you and your neighbours!

6 Tips for Spring Pest Control

- 1. Know your enemy** - pests such as termites, rats, mosquitos, ants, spiders, bed bugs & ticks mate and become more active in springtime!
- 2. Inspect Your Exterior** - pests can enter your home through cracks from chipped window panes, damaged roofs, loose siding or open slots underneath doors.
- 3. Inspect Your Interior** - pests may be hiding in damp areas, attics, basements and other such places.
- 4. Maintain your yard** - standing water, damp wood or thick overgrowth can shelter and nurture spring pests.
- 5. Monitor Food & Waste** - store food (including pet food) properly; use airtight containers & keep your indoor and outdoor garbage bins covered.
- 6. Keep things clean** - keep your home clean and tidy as pests may use clutter and build-up for shelter.

TO Rent Bank Interest Free Loans

You may be eligible if you: live in Toronto with legal status in Canada; are within low income guidelines; are not in receipt of Social Assistance; are paying market rent; and can satisfy all other program requirements.

****Those on social assistance may contact their OW or ODSP office to ask about the Housing Stabilization!*

For more information, please call 416-397-7368 (RENT) or visit www.torontorentbank.ca



WIGWAMEN Incorporated provides safe and affordable housing to hundreds of Indigenous and non-Indigenous families, singles, and seniors throughout Toronto and Ottawa.

WIGWAMEN HOUSING

- The Terrace (103 units for Indigenous seniors) 14 Spadina Road, Toronto, ON, M5R 3M4
- 20 Sewells Road (92 units for Indigenous/ non-Indigenous individuals & families) Scarborough, ON, M1B 3G5
- 228 Galloway Road (60 units for Indigenous/ non-Indigenous individuals & families) Scarborough, ON, M1E 5G6
- Pam Am (145 units for Indigenous/ non-Indigenous individuals & families) 75 Cooperage Street, Toronto, ON, M5A 0J5
- Scattered Housing (for Indigenous families) 214 homes located throughout the GTA
- Place Perrault (41 units for Indigenous/ non-Indigenous individuals & families) 205 Eric Czapnik Way, Ottawa, K1E0A5
- 55 Thora Avenue (20 units for Indigenous individuals & families) Scarborough, ON, M1L 2P7
- 3738 St. Clair Avenue East (22 units for Indigenous individuals & families) Scarborough, ON, M1M 1T7
- 525 Markham Road, Scarborough, ON M1H 3H7

TO APPLY FOR WIGWAMEN HOUSING

Families & individuals of Indigenous descent should fill out Wigwamen applications that are available:

By mail: call 416-481-4451 to request; or

Online: at www.wigwamen.com



You must submit proof of legal status in Canada and a copy of either your Status Card or an Affidavit of Indigenous Descent for Housing Purposes with your application. Affidavits can be obtained from Aboriginal Legal Services of Toronto.

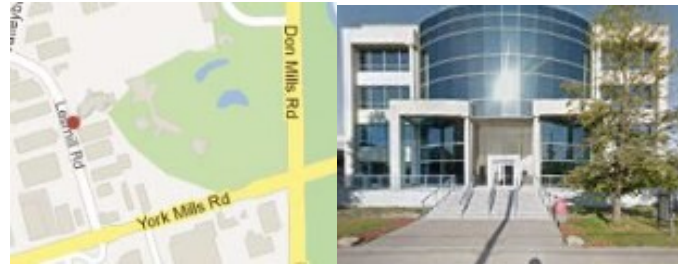
Non-Indigenous Families & Individuals should fill out an application that is available:

By mail: call 416-981-6111 (Toronto) or 613-702-5358 (Ottawa) to request a form



Online: at www.housingconnections.ca (Toronto) or www.placeperrault.ca (Ottawa)

You must submit proof of legal status in Canada and your income with your application.



Wigwamen Head Office

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From York Mills Station take the 122 bus, which stops directly in front of the building; or any 95 bus, which all stop at Upjohn, just 200 metres south of Head Office. Alternately, from Pape Station, take the 25 Bus, get off at York Mills and transfer to a westbound bus, or walk west for about 5 minutes.

Wigwamen Maintenance ✂

If you have a maintenance issue, please contact your building manager. If you do not have a building manager on site, please call the Head Office at 416-481-4451.

Online Maintenance Request Form:
www.wigwamen.com/housing/maintenance-request-form/

In the event of an after-hours emergency (e.g. a flood or heating failure), please call 416-481-4451 (Toronto) or 613-805-9604 (Ottawa).

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