

Required Information Form

June 2023

Destination BC Grant Writing Program

Interested applicants are asked to complete this document and send to ana.alfieri@destinationbc.ca for initial assessment.

1. Applicant Name / Contact information

4 Treaty 8 Dunne_zaa Nations

2. Who is the proposed recipient of the Grant Writing Services? Please explain if the recipient is part of the tourism ecosystem (tourism entities that cater mainly to visitors).

4 Treaty 8 Nations are working on a joint Indigenous Tourism initiative that would be delivered in the City of Dawson Creek BC. They have hired Scion Strategies to advance this work (along with other initiatives). To date, the Tribal Association has not been heavily involved in the tourism ecosystem, but as per the letter from the City of Dawson Creek, attached, the Nations are keen to proceed. This work was initiated in 2021 but had not had the dedicated resources and capacity to proceed.

3. What Project will the grant writing services support?

The project is a multination Northern powwow, Tea Dance and Hand Tournament Game to be hosted at the Ovintiv Event Centre in Dawson Creek that will draw visitors from near and far. This would be the first event of its kind. We are seeking grant writing assistance so we can write a proposal to the South Peace Mackenzie Trust (and others) to fund the event. The grant funding will include hiring a project coordinator as a start, and most likely work to secure funding for the event costs (facility rental, insurance, honoraria for Elders and Knowledge Keepers, marketing and more).

4. What Destination Development Strategy does the project align with and support, or how does the project support recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, build community resilience, advance Indigenous reconciliation, or advance climate change planning/adaptation.

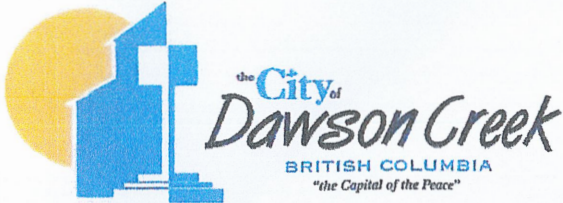
Indigenous tourism in Northeast BC is underrepresented within the Indigenous tourism landscape in BC. Unlike areas of Southern BC, Indigenous people's presence in community to both visitors and residents alike. For example, the area does not have a Welcome Figures, Totem Poles, the use of language on road signs, or strong visual cues or established events. Such presence provides a gateway for Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples to open up conversation on Indigenous language, culture, history and more. Through this event, we plan to hold the space for two purposes: 1. For the Nations to gather to celebrate and honour their connections through Indigenous practices (singing, drumming, crafting, powwow performances, dancing, and traditional games). 2. This event will be open to all and will be the first of its kind for people from all ancestral lineages to gather and learn from the Treaty 8 Nations. This is a critical step towards reconciliation because if people do not know about Indigenous ways of knowing and being (and presence on the land and in community) there can be no starting place to create a shared understanding of what the first steps towards reconciliation are.

5. What Source of Funding would this project apply for (if known)?

South Peace Mackenzie Trust and likely NDIIT Fabulous Festivals and Fairs, and BC Festivals, Fairs and Events. We would also possibly apply for funding to Shell in the Community, Ovintiv and other industry partners.

6. Please give a brief rationale as to why grant writing support is needed to apply for the targeted funding?

There is no allocated budget for Treaty 8 Nations to hire a grant writer for this initiative. We would like to apply to several funds. We have reached out to Clear Course as they work in the region with the PRRD. If possible, we would like to work with them to secure the funding needed for this event.



June 10, 2024

Mr. Dale Bumstead
Scion Strategies Ltd.
8801 10 ST
Dawson Creek, BC
V1G 0C9

Email: dale.scion@outlook.com

Dear Mr. Bumstead:

Re: Letter of Support – to Scion Strategies Ltd. for the South Peace Mackenzie Trust Grant Application


On behalf of the City of Dawson Creek, I would like to express my enthusiastic support for Scion Strategies Ltd.'s application for the South Peace Mackenzie Trust Grant to host the first annual Indigenous Cultural Event, at the Ovintiv Events Center in Dawson Creek, to take place in 2025.

The City of Dawson Creek firmly believes in the importance of fostering cultural understanding and celebrating Indigenous heritage. We recognize the significant role that events such as the proposed Indigenous Cultural Event play in promoting reconciliation, enhancing cultural awareness, and strengthening community bonds.

To further support this meaningful initiative, the City of Dawson Creek will waive the rental fees for the Ovintiv Events Centre for the duration of the event, amounting to a donation of approximately \$35,000.

We look forward with great anticipation to the success of your application and the implementation of your initiative.

Sincerely,


Darcy Dober
Mayor of the City of Dawson Creek

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June 4, 2024

Dale Bumstead

Scion Strategies Ltd.

8801 – 10 Street

Dawson Creek, BC V1G 0C9

Re: Treaty 8 Cultural Event in Dawson Creek – Letter of support

Dear Dale,

On behalf of Ovintiv please accept this letter of support to the Treaty 8 cultural event in Dawson Creek planned for 2025 at the Ovintiv Event Centre.

Ovintiv is proud to continue to work closely with Treaty 8 First Nations in the area on cultural preservation and resiliency, while supporting reconciliation in the area. Ovintiv will commit to \$40,000 towards the event for 2025 and looking forward to this inaugural event

If you require more information about Ovintiv supporting this event, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Tyson Pylypiw

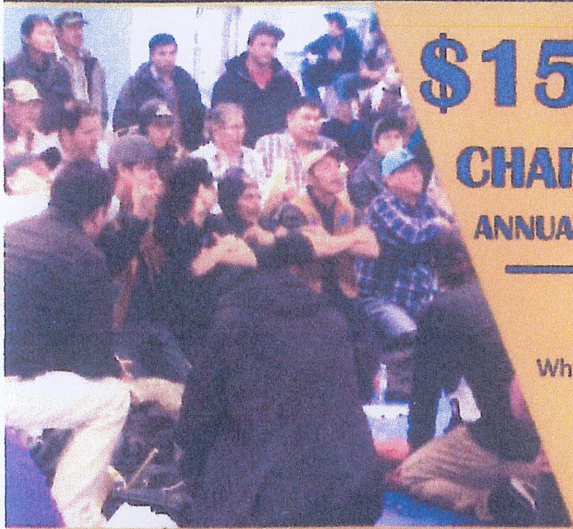
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\$150,000.00

CHARLIE ZOE NITSIZA ANNUAL HANDGAME TOURNAMENT

June 28—30, 2024

Whati, NT ♦ Johnny Nitsiza Cultural Centre

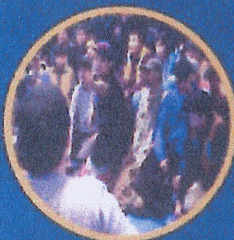


FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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George Nitsiza at (867) 445-4526

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1ST PRIZE: \$50,000.00

2ND PRIZE: \$30,000.00

3RD PRIZE: \$20,000.00

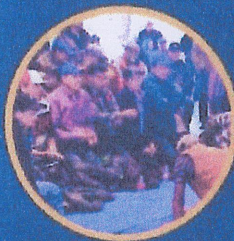
4TH PRIZE: \$15,000.00

5TH PRIZE: \$11,000.00

6TH PRIZE: \$9,000.00

7TH PRIZE: \$8,000.00

8TH PRIZE: \$7,000.00



REGISTRATION FEE:

\$2000.00 PER TEAM

AGE:

16 YEARS AND OVER

TEAM:

9 PLAYERS PER TEAM

(8 PLAYERS W/ 1 ALTERNATE)



Tłjchq Ndek'aowo



Tłjchq Government

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

June 27 at midnight

LOCATION: Johnny Nitsiza Cultural Centre

TO REGISTER:

Kerry Ann Frankl-Romie at (867) 688-1805

Susan Nitsiza at (867) 445-9831

Alcohol & Drugs Prohibited

