

The Kawartha Lakes Human Services Justice Coordinating Committee (HSJCC), Indigenous/First Nation Committee had a vision to bring forward awareness of the Truth and Reconciliation Commissions 94 Calls to Action to our respective agencies and community agencies who provide support to those who may identify as First Nation/Indigenous whom are involved with the justice system.

The following individuals participate in the Indigenous/First Nation Committee: Mitch Nicholson of Kawartha, Haliburton, Pine Ridge Canadian Mental Health Association, Lisa Yazdani of Chimo Youth and Family Services, Krista Broadbent of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Kawartha Lakes, Bryant Peters of Nogojiwanong Friendship Centre, Lorie Fuentes of Elizabeth Fry Society of Peterborough and Jennifer Neamtz of Ontario Provincial Police.

The event occurred on June 13th, 2018 from 08:30HR until 14:30HR at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Kawartha Lakes in Lindsay, Ontario. Shelley Knott-Fife was the keynote speaker, the Nogojiwanong Friendship Centre Drumming Group drummed throughout the event, Lorie Fuentes implemented the blanket teaching and Lorie and Krista Broadbent facilitated smudging. Lunch was catered by Kawartha Wholesale and Bakery and Krista made traditional bannock. Nogojiwanong Friendship Centre set up an information booth at the event as well. Funding for this event to occur was provided by the Kawartha Lakes HSJCC.

A Teaching of the TRC was a great success. Through event evaluations, it appears as a committee, we exceeded our vision to bring forward information in relation to the TRC 94 Calls to Action. We would like to acknowledge that Reconciliation is not a one-time event, however an ongoing occurrence.

There was a \$20.00 registration fee, for those who paid the fee, the total income amounts \$760.00. In September 2018, said income was split between the Indigenous/First Nation court support programs in Lindsay; Elizabeth Fry Society of Peterborough and Nogojiwanong Friendship Centre.

As a Committee we would like to extend our appreciation to the Kawartha Lakes HSJCC for providing the funding for this event to come to fruition.

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