Healing Fund Project Summary: Fall 2019

At its Fall 2019 meeting, The United Church of Canada's Healing Fund Council met to consider applications for The Healing Fund and reviewed 22 proposals. At the end of the meeting, 12 proposals were approved for a total funding of $152,600.

File Number	Organization and Project Name	Project Description	Amount of Grant
6021902001	New Horizons Indigenous Association (NHIA) Nanaimo, BC	**Indian Residential School: Honoring Ourselves and the Ones We Love** This project works with Indian Residential School survivors and family members to host an event that provides survivors with the support they need for their well-being. The event itself is designed by survivors and provides a space to share stories, meet with clinical counsellors and cultural support. This is the project's second event, it has brought over 100 survivors and their family members together.	$15,000
6021902002	Finding Our Granddaughters Chase, BC	**Finding Our Granddaughters** This project will compile data and develop mapping in the community to set up a system for finding lost people efficiently. The hope is to have the justice system work faster and harder by collaborating with communities. The community is working on ensuring the safety and well-being of their Granddaughters in a time of crisis while addressing the impacts of Residential School which result in missing or murdered women and men.	$15,000
6021902008	Laichwiltach Family Life Society Campbell River, BC	**The Likwala Nuyem (Story) Project** This project will revitalize the Likwala language by documenting and recording language speakers in the community. The project is set to work with survivors of Indian Residential School to bring back old songs and stories, a key element of language revitalization and resurgence.	$15,000
6021902012	Land of the Dancing Deer Six Nations of the Grand River	**Land of the Dancing Deer – Sacred Fire Community Space** This project supports healing initiatives located at a sacred sanctuary and residential retreat centre. The centre provides Indigenous clients with a space to heal from ongoing colonialism and the impacts of Indian Residential Schools.	$11,000

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6021902013	Eyeli go Che: Bringing Back the Drum Fort Nelson First Nation, BC	Eyeli go Che: Bringing Back the Drum This project is a 24-week Dene drumming course for First Nation youth in the community. The project will bring in Elders and drummers to pass down teaching about the drum in the community. They will also hold a feast and drum dance to honour the mentors and allow the youth to showcase their accomplishments publicly.	$15,000
6021902015	Mi'kmaq Circle of Hope Society Membertou, NS	Unamaki Intergenerational Survivors Healing Gathering This project will create a safe and comfortable space in which Intergenerational Residential School survivors can begin to understand the ways in which their parents/grandparents' Residential School experience impacted their lives. This forum provides an avenue for intergenerational survivors to engage and speak to other intergenerational survivors regarding their experiences of growing up with a Residential School survivor. It also includes a gathering designed to provide participants with the opportunity to engage in a range of activities, in order to make choices that better meet their needs.	$11,000
6021902017	Kolophetuwan-mip - Turning Leaf Foundation Inc. Fredericton, NB	Elders and Youth Bonding Project This project is an Elder and youth bonding initiative that would engage Traditional Elders in teaching youth to value Indigenous identity, traditional language, and ceremonies.	$15,000
6021902018	Wii-aanjimaandooshaaying Wallaceburg, ON	Anishinaabemowin Children Videos This project will create a series of original child-friendly videos in the Anishinaabemowin language that can be used as a resource for teachers and learners of the language. It will help reverse the impacts of Residential Schools by providing resources for people wanting to learn the language. The Anishinaabemowin videos will be available to everyone on social media platforms such as YouTube and Facebook at no charge. These videos will be completed for the 2020 school year.	$14,200
6021902019	Indigenous Family Centre Winnipeg, MB	A Time for Healing This project will provide cultural programming in the form of a monthly healing event. The event(s) will host sweat lodges, sharing circles, full moon ceremonies, or teaching opportunity depending on	$11,400

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		community needs and availability of facilitators and helpers.	
6021902020	Vernon Native Housing Society Vernon, BC	<u>Wellbriety</u> This project is a movement that seeks to break the cycle of alcoholism, addiction, and trauma using spiritual traditions and ceremony of Indigenous people. It is based on the Medicine Wheel teaching and is a way of living a healthy lifestyle using Indigenous traditions, values, and ceremony.	$5,000
6021902021	Kermode Friendship Society Terrace, BC	<u>KFS Healing through Cultural Infusion</u> This project will provide cultural opportunities for community members to begin their healing journey. It will allow community members to come together in solidarity to learn about traditional ways and will provide the opportunity to build relationships with strong facilitators and Elders as well as community members who have survived the intergenerational effects that stem from Residential Schools in the community.	$10,000
6021902022	First Peoples Justice Centre of Montreal Montreal, QC	<u>Traditional Healing for Indigenous People in the Justice System</u> This project will provide healing to Indigenous people in the justice system. The project will pay for Elders to provide biweekly sessions starting December 2019 to meet with the clientele of our centre through one-on-one support, group healing, and two land-based sessions to be held in the spring of 2020.	$15,000
Total:			$152,600