

## PROVINCIAL RESOURCES

### Aboriginal Friendship Center of Calgary

Affiliated with Alberta Native Friendship Centres Association (Calgary/Red Deer)

**Location:** Calgary, AB

**Phone:** (403) 270-7379

**Email:** [info@afccalgary.org](mailto:info@afccalgary.org)

**Website:** <https://www.afccalgary.org/>

**Mission:** Providing Indigenous cultural connection through programs and services for the urban population.

**Topics Covered:** Community Connection, Housing Services, Honouring the Bonds, Client Services, Outreach/ Cultural Reconnection, Youth & Family Drumming, Eagle Spirit Survivors Group, Bring your wisdom women's group, Indigenous Language Revitalization, Youth Engagement Strategy

### Family Information Liaison Unit

Government of Alberta

**Province:** Alberta

**Phone:** 780-427-3460

**Northwestern/Central region:** Laurie Davies

**Phone:** 780-644-9823

**Email:** [laurie.davies@gov.ab.ca](mailto:laurie.davies@gov.ab.ca)

**Southern/Central region:** Janice Randhile

**Phone:** 780-644-9825

**Email:** [janice.randhile@gov.ab.ca](mailto:janice.randhile@gov.ab.ca)

**Northeastern/Central region:** Tanya Shaw

**Phone:** 780-644-9890

**Email:** [tanya.shaw@gov.ab.ca](mailto:tanya.shaw@gov.ab.ca)

**Northern/Mackenzie region:** Dia Thurston

**Phone:** 780-926-7020

**Email:** [dia.thurston@gov.ab.ca](mailto:dia.thurston@gov.ab.ca)

**Website:** <https://www.alberta.ca/family-information-liaison-unit.aspx>

Not connected to a particular first nation

**Mission:** To help families of missing and murdered loved ones find information and get counselling and supports

**Overview:** Started by the Government of Alberta as a part of their call to action for stopping the rising levels of MMIWG, FILU will give blood relatives and loved ones of missing people

- Information about the justice system and legal processes
- Updates on criminal investigations, court proceedings and fatality inquiries involving their loved ones
- Connections to counselling, spiritual support and Elders
- Information about a loved one who is missing and murdered in another jurisdiction, through [Family Information Liaison Units in other provinces and territories](#)

Founded in 2016.

## REGIONAL RESOURCES

### Asokewin Friendship Society / Rocky Native Friendship Centre

**Location:** Rocky Mountain House, AB

**Email:** [rnfcs.administration@shaw.ca](mailto:rnfcs.administration@shaw.ca)

**Phone:** 403-845-2788

**Website:** [rockynativefriendshipcentre.com](http://rockynativefriendshipcentre.com)

[facebook.com/Rocky-Native-Friendship-Centre-Society-147332261987888](https://facebook.com/Rocky-Native-Friendship-Centre-Society-147332261987888)

Not connected to a particular First Nation

**Overview:** The Âsokêwin Friendship Centre is designed to improve the quality of life for all Aboriginal people in an urban environment by supporting self-determined activities which encourage equal access to and participation in Canadian society which strengthens Aboriginal culture

**Topics Covered:**

- Aboriginal Early Intervention
- Aboriginal Community Building Initiatives
- Literacy

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- Legacy Youth Program
- Aboriginal Headstart
- Red Dress Day Walk

## Awo Taan

**Location:** Calgary, AB

**Website:** <https://www.awotaan.org/about-us/calgary-shelter/>

**Mission:** To provide a broad continuum of support services, guided by Aboriginal traditional teachings, that include prevention, intervention, and healing to anyone affected by any form of abuse

**Overview:** Our programs are designed to help Awo Taan meet our guiding vision and our mission. The goal of Awo Taan Healing Lodge Society is to shield and protect vulnerable women and children against family violence or any other form of abuse. Awo Taan seeks to promote peace and to end family violence and bullying in our society.

**Topics Covered:** Emergency Shelter, Family Violence Prevention, Family Outreach, Parent Link Centre, Child Support, Youth & Family Support Program, Aboriginal Support, Youth Mentorship Program

## Bear Clan Patrol

**Location:** Mohkinstis (Calgary), AB

**Email:** [bearclanyyc@gmail.com](mailto:bearclanyyc@gmail.com)

**Phone:** (403) 608-2401

[facebook.com/BearClanCalgary/](https://facebook.com/BearClanCalgary/); [instagram.com/bearclanpatrolcalgary/?hl=en](https://instagram.com/bearclanpatrolcalgary/?hl=en)

Not connected to a Particular First Nation.

**Mission:** Community Outreach, police alternative

**Overview:** Bear Clan Patrol is a community watch group operating in downtown Calgary. They offer community street patrols, harm reduction support and resources, wellness checks, domestic abuse response, mental health support, assistance in finding missing people and barrier-free emergency food hampers. When there are community events, they are often hosted or attended by the Bear Clan Patrol.

Bear Clan Patrol has been active in Calgary since 2019.

## Calgary Foundation

**Website:** [calgaryfoundation.org/](http://calgaryfoundation.org/)

Not connected to a particular First Nation.

**Mission:** We inspire philanthropy, support the charitable sector and build a permanent endowment to address the current and future needs of people in our community.

**Topic Covered:** Allyship Toolkit - "When it comes to creating a positive and sustainable impact on the lives of Indigenous people, it is important to understand the role that individuals play within the collective experience. An ally recognizes that every person has a basic right to human dignity, respect, and equal access to resources."

[calgaryfoundation.org/about-us/reconciliation/indigenous-ally-toolkit/](http://calgaryfoundation.org/about-us/reconciliation/indigenous-ally-toolkit/)

## Calgary Public Library: Elders' Guidance Circle

Not connected to a particular First Nation

[calgarylibrary.ca/connect/indigenous-services/elders-guidance-circle/](http://calgarylibrary.ca/connect/indigenous-services/elders-guidance-circle/)

- Individuals and small groups, including students, can meet virtually with an Elder to explore topics relating to culture, history, and reconciliation.
- Virtual meetings with Elders and Knowledge Keepers are available between Monday and Friday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.
- Elders and Knowledge Keepers introduced on the website include:

Evelyn Good Striker	Anthony Starlight
Alice Kaquitts	Clarence Wolfleg Sr.
Francis Melting Tallow	Adrian
Ruth Scalp Lock	

## Calgary Red Ribbon Skirt Project MMIWG2S

**Location:** Calgary, AB

[facebook.com/groups/calgaryredribbonskirtproject/](https://facebook.com/groups/calgaryredribbonskirtproject/)

**Overview:** "This group was created to honor the victims of MMIWG2+ and their loved ones that were left behind. It is a sister hood and grassroots movement to bring awareness to the ongoing genocide of our life givers and violence against women. The red ribbon skirts are sewn in a safe space by women volunteering their time and are gifted out at MMIWG2+ awareness events to the families of the victims. The red ribbon skirt project has sister groups in (Edmonton) and Vancouver and is continuing to grow.

## Making Treaty 7 Cultural Society

**Website:** [makingtreaty7.com/](http://makingtreaty7.com/)

Not connected to a particular First Nation.

**Mission:** “Making Treaty 7 operates as a non-profit entity with federal charity status and is governed by a board of directors with representation from each of the Treaty 7 communities. Through its evolution, Making Treaty 7 has partnered with diverse cultural organizations dedicated to lifting Indigenous voices and making a difference in their communities. We continue to host events, put on theatre productions and educate the public on Indigenous affairs, human rights issues, and the culture and identity of historic and present Indigenous peoples.”

## Métis Local 87

**Location:** Calgary, AB

**Phone:** 403-475-8787

**Email:** [metislocal87ab@gmail.com](mailto:metislocal87ab@gmail.com)

**Website:** [Metislocal87.ca](http://Metislocal87.ca)  
[facebook.com/MetisLocal87/](https://facebook.com/MetisLocal87/)

**Overview:** “It has always been the mission of the Metis Local 87 to bring our Heritage and Pride to anyone who wishes to know and be a part of. With the help of it's members and volunteers, we have become stronger in our pride and resolve. It has been hard for Metis People to be recognized, but we see everyone as an equal and as part of our community. We are here if you need us.”

## Métis Nation of Alberta Region 3

**Location:** Calgary, AB

**Phone:** (403) 569-8800

**Website:** [metis3.org/](http://metis3.org/)  
[facebook.com/MetisNationOfAlbertaRegion3/](https://facebook.com/MetisNationOfAlbertaRegion3/)

**Overview:** The Métis Nation of Alberta Region 3 promotes political, social, cultural and economic interests and rights of the Métis citizens and their families.

**Topics Covered:** Our focus is to deliver programs and services for our community including Child and family services, social connection, health research, justice, housing,

youth programs, education, human resources, economic development and natural resources.

## Next Step Ministries

**Location:** Calgary, AB

**Email:** [info@nextstepministries.ca](mailto:info@nextstepministries.ca)

**Phone:** (403) 520-8080

**Website:** <https://nextstepministries.ca>

**Mission:** To walk alongside women exiting sexual exploitation as they break the cycles of addiction and abuse.

**Topics Covered:** Outreach Program, Housing Program, Day Program, Follow Care

## Red Deer Native Friendship Society

Affiliated with Alberta Native Friendship Centres Association (Calgary/Red Deer)

**Location:** Red Deer, AB

**Phone:** (403) 340-0020

## Red Thunderwoman

**Location:** Calgary, AB

**Email:** [nativeyyyc@gmail.com](mailto:nativeyyyc@gmail.com)

**Website:** [nativecalgarian.com/services](http://nativecalgarian.com/services)

Not connected to a particular First Nation

**Overview:** “I am Red Thunderwoman, my colonial name is Michelle Robinson. I am a Sahtu Dene, a mother, wife, activist, political organizer, podcast host and have "Indian Status" imposed by the Canadian Government. I have been involved in the political world on the federal, provincial and municipal levels. I was the first First Nations woman to run for Calgary City Council, and I ran to be a provincial MLA. I have also been a very active volunteer for numerous non profit events and organizations, school, community events, and politics at the federal level.”

**Topics and Programs:** Red Thunderwoman offers paid services: “coffee and chat or ‘pick my brain,’ Land Acknowledgement Seminar, Policy Development Consultation, and Land Acknowledgement.

## Stardale Women's Group

**Location:** Calgary, AB

**Email:** [stardale@gmail.com](mailto:stardale@gmail.com)

**Phone:** [\(403\) 243-6615](tel:(403)243-6615)

**Website:** [stardale.org/](http://stardale.org/)

Not connected to a particular First Nation.

**Mission:** ...to help Indigenous young women and girls overcome systemic barriers by providing life skills, foundational learning and literacy, and advocacy for themselves, their families and their communities. We strive to provide a space where they feel comfortable to express their feelings, past experiences, traumas and hurts. We offer a friendly and caring environment that respects their individuality and freedom of thought. Your support is vital as we continue to educate and empower the girls, their families and their communities.”

**Overview:** Stardale Women's Group has produced two films: “*Shadows in Time*” and “*The Road*.”

- “...*Shadows in Time* unveils the experiences of racism and sexism that urban Indigenous young women and girls endure in their everyday lives. To reveal deep-rooted biases about race and gender, the young women and girls of Stardale Women's Group share painful stories about their lost history, loss of identity, loss of community, family and friends ...the film showcases how racial microaggressions are incessant and cumulative, and have detrimental impacts on their mental, physical and social well-being.” [stardale.org/shadowsintime](http://stardale.org/shadowsintime)
- “*The Road*” is an award-winning short film starring the Indigenous girls of Stardale Women's Group. It explores various themes pertaining to the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and the legacy and inter-generational impact of colonialism in Canada.” [stardale.org/theroad](http://stardale.org/theroad)

**Topics Covered:** The diverse services Stardale Women's Group provides are for the empowerment of Indigenous girls and young women in the form of:

- Educational programs and public awareness
- Advocacy, networking, and community mobilization
- Capacity building, mentoring, and training
- Community action research

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- Municipal gender-based polices in literacy, crime prevention, community safety, education, health, and social justice

## Women's Centre of Calgary

**Location:** Calgary, Alberta, T2E 3R6

**Phone:** (403) 264-1155

**Email:** [info@womenscentrecalgary.org](mailto:info@womenscentrecalgary.org)

**Website:** [www.womenscentrecalgary.org](http://www.womenscentrecalgary.org)

Not connected to a particular First Nation.

**Mission:** To be every woman's place for support, connections and community.

**Overview:** Women seek assistance at the Women's Centre with issues as diverse as poverty and hunger, family breakdown, parenting, homelessness, unemployment, health and education, immigration and settlement, domestic violence, isolation and loneliness, life transitions and discrimination. They may be new to the city, experiencing family breakdown, looking for work, or simply a place to belong.

### Topics Covered:

- MMIWG Calls for Justice
- NWAC Action Plan Red Dress Project (video)
- Safe Passage
- Women's Centre Padlet – Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls & 2Spirit people (MMIWG2S).

## LIST OF INDIGENOUS CHURCHES

Maskwacis \* half way between Red Deer and Edmonton

Mâskwâcîs Bible Fellowship Church

RG7M+VW T0C 1N0

(Church from Native Evangelical Fellowship of Canada website – could not find further info)

Rocky Mountain House

Mountainview Chapel

(Church from Native Evangelical Fellowship of Canada website – could not find further info)