

PROVINCIAL RESOURCES:

Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres

Location: Ontario

Email: ofifc@ofifc.org

Phone: Toronto - 416-956-7575 / 1-800-772-9291

Website: <https://ofifc.org/>

Not connected to a particular First Nation

Overview: The Friendship Centre Movement (FCM) is the country's most significant urban Indigenous service delivery infrastructure. Friendship Centres are not-for-profit and charity corporations that are mandated to serve the needs of urban Indigenous people by providing culturally appropriate services in urban communities. Friendship Centres are governed by a volunteer Board of Directors consisting of elected members. They are membership driven organizations in urban communities that serve all urban Indigenous people, regardless of status.

Topics covered: Program Development, Children & Youth, Education & Employment, Ending Violence, Health & Wellness, Homelessness & Housing, Justice, Urban Programming for Indigenous People

Founded in 1971.

Ontario Native Women's Association (ONWA)

Location: Ontario

Phone: 1-800-667-0816

Website: <https://www.onwa.ca>

Not connected to a particular First Nation

Mission: ONWA's guiding principle is that all Indigenous ancestry will be treated with dignity, respect and equality; benefits and services will be extended to all, no matter where one lives and regardless of Tribal heritage.

Overview: ONWA supports all Indigenous women and their families in the province of Ontario through research, advocacy, policy development and programs that focus on local, regional and provincial activities. ONWA is committed to providing services that

strengthen communities and guarantee the preservation of Indigenous culture, identity, art, language and heritage. Ending violence against Indigenous women and their families and ensuring equal access to justice, education, health services, environmental stewardship and economic development, sit at the cornerstone of the organization. ONWA celebrates and honours the safety and healing of Indigenous Women and Girls as they take up their leadership roles in the family, community and internationally for generations to come.

Topics covered:

- Breaking Free from Family Violence
- Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women & girls
- Indigenous Anti-Human Trafficking
- Education
- Variety of Cultural Teaching

Founded in 1971

Other information: Ontario Native Women's Association (ONWA) provides its services through The Native Women's Resource Centre of Toronto (NWRCT) in Toronto. The website is filled with lots of educational information, magazine subscription, and local chapter site information.

Talk4Healing

Location: Ontario

Phone | 1-855-554-4325

Website: <https://www.talk4healing.com>

Not connected to a particular First Nation

Mission: A pathway to healing, acceptance and support.

Overview: Talk4Healing is a culturally grounded, fully confidential helpline for Indigenous women available in 14 languages all across Ontario.

Topics covered:

- Culturally sensitive crisis counselling, advice and support
- Personalized information and referrals
- Acceptance of Aboriginal women's issues in a non-judgmental way
- Help to find the path to personal healing
- Scheduled telephone counselling sessions

REGIONAL RESOURCES

Bkejwanong First Nation – Walpole Island Health Centre

Location: Wallaceburg, ON

Phone: 1-519-627-0765

Website: <https://www.eriestclairhealthline.ca/displayService.aspx?id=150566>

Overview: Health centre providing family medical care and community-based health programs; team of family doctors, nurse practitioners and other health care providers; referral to other regional health services.

Programs: Culturally appropriate programs and services for Indigenous people, combining traditional health and Western medical practices; aims to improve the social supports and conditions that affect long-term health

Can-Am Indian Friendship Centre of Windsor

Affiliated: Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres

Location: Windsor, ON

Email: admin@caifc.ca

Phone: 1-519-253-3243

Website: <http://caifc.ca>

Mission: A driven community, improving quality of life, retaining tradition and beliefs.

Programs:

- Healing & Wellness
- Employment & Training
- Children & Youth
- Health

N’Amerind Friendship Centre

Affiliated: Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres

Location: London, ON

Phone: 1-519-672-0131

Website: namerind.on.ca

Mission: The N'Amerind Friendship Centre is a non-profit organization committed to the promotion of physical, intellectual, emotional and spiritual well-being of native people and in particular, urban native people.

Programs:

- A.C.R.C (Windsor)
- Aboriginal Family Support
- Apatisiwin
- Aboriginal HB/HC
- Alcohol & Drug
- Akwe:Go
- CPNP
- Court Workers
- Cultural Resource
- DDLC
- Gladue
- Indigenous Homeward Bound London
- Indigenous Families First
- Indigenous Healing & Wellness
- Kizhaay Anishnaabe Niin
- Life Long Care
- Mental Health Support
- Urban Aboriginal Healthy Living
- Wasa Nabin Youth
- Wiingashk Alternative Secondary School

Sarnia-Lambton Native Friendship Centre

Affiliated: Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres

Location: Sarnia, ON

Email: admin@slnfc.org

Phone: 1-519-344-6150

Website: slnfc.org

Mission: As the original people of Turtle Island (North America) we are naturally obligated to preserve and sustain our culture and heritage as passed down to us by the

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Creator, our ancestors and elders. The Centre will be a gathering place to socialize and access services that improve an individual's quality of life.

The Centre will create networks and develop partnerships to ensure urban Native issues are addressed in a sensitive and equitable manner.

Guiding Principles: Directors, Staff and Volunteers of the Centre will be guided by the Seven Grandfather Teachings to fulfill its vision and mission through various services, programming and activities.

Vision: The creator has given Native people the gift to reach out to others and to value relationships. We will support all people to reach their potential.

Programs:

- Wasa-Nabin Youth Program
- Akwe:Go youth Program
- Urban Aboriginal Healthy Living Program
- Cultural Resource Program
- Life Long Care
- Addictions Navigator