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#RisingYouth Grantee Newsletter: September Edition

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Hello Grantees,

We are happy to present to you the September Edition of the #RisingYouth Grantee Newsletter. This month, the theme is “National Day for Truth and Reconciliation”, which takes place on September 30th. The day is intended to educate and remind Canadians about the history of residential schools, honour the victims and celebrate the survivors. We will be bringing you a resource created in collaboration with our #RisingYouth Northern and Indigenous Advisory Panels called the Orange

Shirt Day Toolkit. This toolkit offers a variety of projects related to Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation with ideas on educating, culture and awareness. We have also chosen to highlight grantee projects that demonstrate culture, truth and reconciliation. We encourage youth to continue to walk bravely in their culture, traditional ways and to continue to be allies. Your contribution matters and every journey begins with a step.

Kayla Rosteski-Merasty

#RisingYouth Northern and Indigenous Advisory Panel Liaison

GRANTEE STORIES



Kaitlyn / Indigenous Literature Education / MB

“With the partnership of the Selkirk Friendship Centre #RisingYouth Partner, Frontier College is able to bring Indigenous Literature to the community in Selkirk, MB. We are excited to be participating in the Annual Grandmothers Walk this coming September with the focus being Orange Shirt Day National Holiday. Our non-profit literacy based organization is always working hard to bring fun and educational reading programs to communities all across Canada.”

“I grew up for 21 years in a remote First Nation in northern Saskatchewan and I am the first generation in over 130 years not to be forced to attend a Residential School or Indian Day School. I share my story through presentations, comparing my



life to youth living in an urban setting, to try to raise awareness about the unique challenges and barriers I faced. This allows me to meet Indigenous and non-Indigenous youth so we can work together to bridge the gap between remote Indigenous communities and the rest of Canada.”

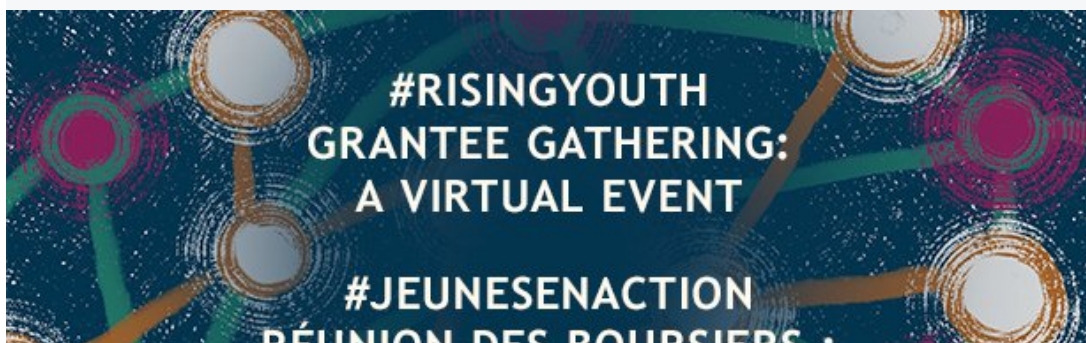
Dwight / Canada’s Residential Schools: The Survivors & Their Descendants / BC



James / Community Engagement for Youth / ON

“This project was designed to promote the creation and development of a youth council at our local friendship centre, with the goal of promoting youth voices and leadership in our community. To achieve this goal, I organized a series of craft workshops that would promote conversation and relationship building amongst youth, while also providing an opportunity for youth networking. One of the highlights from our workshop series was learning how to dye our hand drums through the process of tea-staining and the successful formation of a small council at our local centre.”

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



REUNION DES BOURSIERS : UN ÉVÉNEMENT VIRTUEL

Thursday, September 16th, 2021 at 7pm EST : Grantee Gathering

The #RisingYouth team would like to invite you to join us for a Grantee Gathering. Come say hello to the Grantee Support Team and your fellow #RisingYouth grantees! This is sure to be a great opportunity to ask your Grantee Support Coordinator any questions that you may have! The rest of the gathering will be dedicated to learning more about the different supports that #RisingYouth has to offer its grantees, as well as a short workshop on Conflict Resolution hosted by Baidir, Bilingual Grantee Support Coordinator with RisingYouth.

[Register Here for the Grantee Gathering!](#)

The Grantee Gathering will also be available in French LIVE on September 28th, [please click here to register for the French Grantee Gathering.](#)



Add YOUR event to our [#RisingYouth Calendar!](#)

You can check out the Calendar on the Grantee Support Hub for upcoming #RisingYouth events in the month of September! Watch this [quick tutorial video](#) to learn how!

Recommendations of the Month



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#RisingYouth: "Orange Shirt Day Project Ideas Toolkit"

[Check it Out Here >>](#)



#RisingYouth: "Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action Project Ideas Toolkit"

[Check it Out Here >>](#)

Orange Shirt Day is on September 30th.

We encourage you to invite other youth you know to apply for a #RisingYouth Community Service Grant. They can take a look at the Call to Action Toolkit for some ideas!

[Check out the launch video for the Toolkit Here!](#)



Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action



Truth and Reconciliation Committee of Canada: Calls to Action

[Read More >>](#)

The TRC is a component of the Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement. Its mandate is to inform all Canadians about what happened in Indian Residential Schools (IRS). The Commission will document the truth of survivors, families, communities and anyone personally affected by the IRS experience. In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission created 94 calls to action.

AND THE WINNER IS KRISSHNY VARATHAN!



Congratulations on winning a “Children are Medicine” T-Shirt from [Birchbark Scrolls Podcast](#). The artwork on the shirt is by Jenelle Manitowabi and the shirt was made to honour those who attended residential schools and 90% of online profits will be donated to IRS survivors.

Every month, we will randomly select a grantee to win a prize!
Feel free to share your prize & tag @risingyouthtig on Instagram!

VISIT OUR INSTAGRAM



GRANTEE SUPPORT HUB

The Grantee Support Hub is full of resources created by the #RisingYouth team to help you succeed in your community project.

The screenshot shows the Grantee Support Hub website. On the left is a navigation menu with sections: Home, Modules (Planning, Budgeting, Team Building, Outreach, Reporting, Meet the Team), Explore and Learn (Calendar, Resources, Videos, Quizzes, Impact Stories / Histoires d'Impact, #RisingYouth/#JeunesEnAction Podcast, Student Mode: ON). The main content area features a banner for the Grantee Support Hub (Centre de soutien aux boursiers) with the hashtag #JEUNESENACON. Below the banner, there is a 'Welcome to the Grantee Support Hub!' message and a 'Latest Announcement' section. The announcement is titled '#RisingYouth Community Impact Launch Event' and is posted by Michael Furdyk on August 28th, 2020. The text of the announcement states: 'Over the past two years, TakingITGlobal has offered over 3,600 grants to youth leading community service projects. In early February 2020, we held events in Toronto and Ottawa to launch the first edition of our #RisingYouth Community Impact publication. Read more and enjoy the video below!'. A video player is embedded below the text, showing a woman speaking. To the right of the video is a small image showing two women at a podium during a launch event.

GO TO THE GRANTEE SUPPORT HUB



IMPACT REPORT

You could be one step away from becoming an Alumni!

If your project is completed, please take a few minutes to submit your Impact Report on the [web form](#) OR by using the [#RisingYouth Mobile App](#).

As a #RisingYouth Alumni, you can become ambassadors for our program and see all kinds of doors and opportunities open to you. To learn about the importance of submitting your Impact Report, read our [blog post!](#)

ALUMNI CHAMPION - TAYLOR ARNT



Indigenous Storyteller, Human Rights Advocate and Visionary Leader. These are qualities that would describe Taylor Arnt, our featured alumni champion of the month!

They are a motivated and driven individual that never stops to engage and do calls to actions within their community.

As their #RisingYouth project, Taylor sought to create an event that taught participants about ocean literacy and climate change, connected participants with the traditional territory of the Coast Salish peoples, specifically the waters of the Burrard Inlet and Indian Arm and overcome

barriers that Indigenous women face when accessing the outdoors.

They continued engaging with #RisingYouth afterwards by featuring in one of our grantee's projects as a guest speaker and alumni mentor at their climate change panel called "Uncovering the CAP".

Follow Taylor's path as an Alumni mentor and champion once you have finished your project. We have tons of Alumni opportunities for you once your Project Impact Report has been submitted!

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