



6th Annual National Aboriginal Youth Violence & Changing Times Training Conference

"Healthy Youth Today, Healthy Nations Tomorrow"

Harbour Towers Hotel & Suites, 345 Quebec Street, Victoria BC

March 14-16, 2008

SPONSORSHIP CRITERIA

About Sponsorship

The 6th Annual Aboriginal Youth, Violence & Changing Times Training Conference is a three-day Conference for youth, youth workers and people who live and work with youth. The Conference features workshops for both youth and youth workers, entertainment, an opportunity to participate in the life-changing PARTY Program (Prevent- Alcohol Risk Related Trauma in Youth) and cultural activities.

Who is Eligible for Sponsorship

Sponsorship is available for all Aboriginal youth – First Nations, Metis, Inuit, non-Status and on/off-reserve from across Canada to attend the Conference.

Three Aboriginal youth (15 to 25 years of age) from each province and territory are eligible for sponsorship to attend the conference. Each youth delegate must submit an application for sponsorship which will be reviewed by the Screening Committee, a Sub-Committee of the National Advisory Committee. All delegates 19 years of age and under are required to bring a chaperone with them. Contact information and signature of Chaperone must be included in application. Chaperones will be responsible for their own travel expenses, but their conference fee will be waived.

What's Included

The sponsored delegates who are from outside of the Greater Victoria area will receive the following:

- **Meals:** The following meals will be reimbursed: 3 Breakfasts and 2 Dinners. Lunches and refreshments will be provided on site for all 3 days.
- **Conference Registration** including 1 ticket for the Banquet and Entertainment Evening
- **Accommodation:** a maximum of 3 nights double accommodation - depending on where you are travelling to and from. Arrangements will be made for the sponsored delegates to stay at one of the Conference hotels. You will be responsible for paying for additional people in your room, incidentals and any additional nights. Your names will be put on the Rooming List and we will book your accommodation directly with the hotel. Private accommodation will be reimbursed at a rate of \$20.00 per night.
- **Transportation:** If you are flying to and from Victoria, you will be reimbursed for Shuttle Service between the Victoria Airport and your hotel only. Original Receipts are required.
- **Mileage:** For sponsored delegates who are travelling by vehicle, you will be reimbursed for your mileage at a rate of \$ 0.32 per kilometer to and from the Conference location only. If you are able to fly but choose to drive, you will be reimbursed for whatever is the lowest between the mileage or an excursion air fare.
- **Air Flight Arrangements:** Flight arrangements will be made for sponsored delegates who have to travel by air in order to attend the conference. Your excursion flight will be booked by First Nations Training & Consulting Services through our travel agent. Your flight arrangements must be completed by Wednesday February 27, 2008.
- **Sponsored delegates living within the Greater Victoria** area will receive the following: Conference Registration including 1 ticket for the Banquet and Entertainment Evening, Lunches and refreshments on site for all 3 days.

Youth must have enough money for meal on-route to the conference site and for shuttle service to the hotel from the Victoria airport. When delegates register on-site, they will receive their meal allowance.

Sponsorship Application Criteria Continued

How to Apply

Please submit a Sponsorship Application Essay which is a minimum of one page and a maximum of two typed pages long by email to office@fntcs.com

You Essay Must Include:

- a. Your name, address (home and organization/affiliation), phone number, fax, email and the name and address of the chaperone who will accompany you if you are under 19 years of age (mandatory).
 - b. A brief introduction to yourself: your age, your schooling, and your hobbies/interests.
 - c. Why you should be selected: why you want to attend the conference and what you hope to gain from attending the conference.
 - d. In what way you hope the conference will assist you.
 - e. In addition, applications should include two references supporting your application such as a teacher, Band Chief or Councillor, social worker, school councillor, community health representative or nurse, youth worker, sports coach or other community member who is familiar with you. Please provide phone and cell numbers and email addresses.
 - f. Include the completed Sponsorship Application Form.
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Selection

Applications will be reviewed and evaluated by the Screening Committee. Sponsored youth will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Academic achievement
- Financial need
- High-risk
- Disabilities
- Contribution to your family
- Contribution to your community
- Cultural and language involvement
- Sports
- Extra curricular activities

Extended Deadline To Apply: Friday February 8, 2008, 2:00 p.m. Selected youth will be notified by Friday February 15, 2008.

Withdraw Application:

If a youth who has been selected as a Sponsored Delegate is unable to attend the conference due to personal reasons, s/he is responsible for notifying First Nations Training & Consulting Services immediately. This may help another youth be sponsored to attend the conference.

Gifts:

- All sponsored delegates are asked to bring a gift that represents their area. These gifts will be used as gifts and door prizes



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Sponsorship Application Form (15-25 years only)

Youth Chaperone Other: _____

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Gender Male Female Birthdate: _____

Title _____

Organization/Affiliation (Band, Friendship Centre, School, etc.): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Under 19 years: Complete this section if you are under 19 years of age.

Parent/Guardian First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Illness/Allergies of Youth: _____ Medical Number: _____

Emergency Contact Information For Youth:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Relationship To Youth: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax Number: _____ Email: _____

Chaperone First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Chaperone Information:

I _____, agree to be the Chaperone for the youth _____, at all times during the Youth Conference. I have found sponsorship to cover all of my travel expenses.

Signature

Date

Chaperone: Please note that Chaperone's are responsible for their own travel and accommodations expenses. However, Registration Fees will be waived.

Parent/Guardian Permission:

I hereby give permission for my youth to attend the 6th Annual National Aboriginal Youth Violence and Changing Times Training Conference.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Please ensure you attach your essay with this application form.



For More Information Contact:

First Nations Training & Consulting Services

Courier: 1164 Stelly's Cross Road, Brentwood Bay BC V8M 1H8

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Tel: (250) 652-7097 Fax: (250) 652-7039 Email: office@fntcs.com

Website: www.firstpeoplescanada.com

I found out about the conference by: Fax Mail Poster Email Previous Delegate
 FNTCS Website Other (specify) _____