



MINI THNI FOUNDATION SUMMER NEWS 2024

Okâch (Welcome)



Mini Thni Foundation Launches Website!

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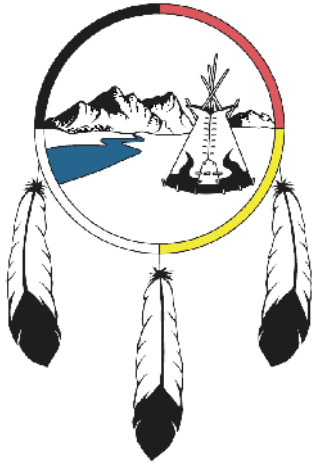
Mini Thni Foundation is Hiring "On Call" Employees For the Cash Cage / Count Room!

- ◆ Must be at least 18 years of age
- ◆ Must have a current Criminal Check
- ◆ Be able to work weekends and late shifts
- ◆ Must have own vehicle / transportation

Send your resume to minithni@stoney-nation.com



Building Brighter Futures



Mini Thni Foundation was established in November, 2007 as a Charitable Foundation for the purpose of organizing and funding programs and charities that benefit the communities within the Stoney Nakoda First Nations. Mini Thni Foundation provides financial support through gaming revenues to Bears paw First Nation, Chiniki First Nation and Goodstoney First Nation. Funds distributed by Mini Thni Foundation are subject to approval by Alberta Gaming, Liquor & Cannabis.

Mini Thni Foundation's mandate is to create positive and long lasting impacts in the Stoney Nakoda Community.



Mini Thni Foundation Bursary

The Mini Thni Foundation Bursary will be awarding \$1,500 to five (5) students from each of the following:

- Bears paw First Nation
- Chiniki First Nation
- Goodstoney First Nation

Who are attending post-secondary institutions across Canada

(i.e. College, University, technical college or apprenticeship program)

Awards Criteria

Awards Category: Post-Secondary Education

Program of Study: Any

Level of Study: Any

Indigenous Affiliation: Members of Bears paw First Nation; Chiniki First Nation; Goodstoney First Nation

Application Deadlines

August 1/24

November 1/24

February 1/25

To Learn More:

Visit the bilingual *Building Brighter Futures: Bursaries, Scholarships and Awards* program guidelines on the Indspire website to learn about all the funding offered to support post-secondary education. Please read the program guidelines before filling out the application form at indspire.ca/apply (Indspire will flag Stoney Nakoda First Nation applicants).



November, 2023

DARLA BAPTISTE

- ◆ Reliable
- ◆ Punctual
- ◆ Good Communication
- ◆ Positive Attitude



December, 2023

GEORGINA DANIELS

- ◆ Dependable
- ◆ Great Customer Service
- ◆ Always Smiling
- ◆ Shows Initiative in Training Employees

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!



January, 2024

DARNELL SHORTNECK

- ◆ Good Communication
- ◆ Always Willing to Help Out
- ◆ Positive Attitude
- ◆ Punctual



February, 2024

DENVER WILDMAN

- ◆ Quick Learner
- ◆ Good Work Ethic
- ◆ Reliable
- ◆ Great Customer Service



CGMA Spotlight



Julie Moosewaypayo started working as a Combined General Manager/ Advisor (CGMA) for Mini Thni Foundation in March, 2010. She completed her training as a CGMA at Grey Eagle Resort & Casino – before she embarked on the path of becoming a CGMA she was a Chip Runner, Cashier and Banker at Grey Eagle Resort & Casino.

She was recruited by the previous Executive Director of MTF at a time when the position of General Manager and Advisor were being combined into one role. Julie jumped with both feet at the opportunity to work for Mini Thni Foundation – 14 years later and she has never looked back.

Julie is a member of the Kinistin Saulteaux in Saskatchewan – she and her partner moved to Calgary in 1988 with a four-month-old baby and \$900 in their pockets. They were both excited and apprehensive to start a new life in Calgary.

Fast forward to 2024; and Julie and her partner have celebrated 38 years together, created a beautiful home, raised two babies – who are now grown adults and parents themselves. She is a proud grandmother to 3 grandsons.

In 2019, Julie enrolled in the Faculty of Business at Athabasca University (AU). Attending classes with AU allowed Julie to continue to work while completing her studies online. She completed her program in July, 2020 with a Graduate Diploma in Business Management.

“I am honoured to be working for and with the Stoney Nakoda people” Julie says, they are kind, funny, and genuine and she has made many great memories over the years. She also enjoys listening to the employees speak in their native Stoney language – she encourages the employees to stay true to their traditions.

Watching employees gain job skills (especially those whose first job is MTF) is especially rewarding for Julie – she is happy to train them. She feels a sense of responsibility to do her best in this area – as it’s important and necessary to build employee confidence. She sees the pride the employees carry in working for the Foundation. She continually encourages the employees to work hard – but also to get out and see the world.

Julie is very interested in traditional healing practices and often attends ceremonies in Saskatchewan. She also loves to read, sew, cook, garden, and travel – she has been to many countries.

A little tidbit most wouldn’t know about Julie – she holds a Class 1Q license as she used to drive a gravel truck and did so for 5 years. She was also a competitive pool player back in the day – Julie and her partner attended many tournaments including several in Las Vegas.