ADMINISTRATION OFFICE **DEPARTMENTS:**

Administration, Finance, Capital Projects, Public Works, Ontario Works, Family Resources. Economic Development, Lands, Membership



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SHAWANAGA FIRST NATION

7 Grandfather Teachings:

January 31, 2018

Humility -Dbaadendiziwin: To be humble about your accomplishments is to be strong

RE: HIWTL Payout & Children's Trust Fund

Bravery -Aakwa'ode'ewin: Let nothing stand in the way of doing the right thing

Community Members,

Honesty -Gwekwaadziwin:

Better to fail with honesty than succeed

by fraud Wisdom -

Nbwaakaawin: With hard work and dedication, will come knowledge

Truth - Debwewin: It is always easiest to speak the truth

Respect -Mnaadendimowin: Give it, earn it, and receive it

Love - Zaagidwin: It is important to care for one another

Since our last letter, dated January 19, 2018, we have been receiving some concern surrounding the payout and the children's trust account.

To clarify, the official payout date is scheduled for February 9th, 2018. Our staff will be set up in the Council Chambers and you are welcome to come claim your payout anytime between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM on this day. If you cannot reach the office on this date, please rest assured that you may still collect your cheque at the Administration Office the following week during regular work hours. They are as follows:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM (Closed for lunch from 12:00 - 1:00 pm)Friday: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Closed for lunch from 12:00 - 12:30 pm)

As a gentle reminder, please remember to bring your two pieces of government issued identification with you. You must be present to claim your own cheque. collecting for someone else will be prohibited. We anticipate that this will be a long process, so we ask for your patience and understanding as we disburse the payout.

In regards to the children's trust account, some concern was raised around the cutoff date. We have taken these concerns into consideration and we have settled on a final decision – if your child was born on or before September 30th, you have six months from the cut-off date to register your child with Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) in order for them to be entered into the trust account. If you are unsure if your child is already placed in the trust or if you want an update on the account (for legal guardians only), please contact our Band Manager, Adam Good. We are still waiting on an updated list to verify names but as soon as this

information becomes available to us, we will gladly answer any outstanding questions parents may have regarding the account.

We are still encouraging off-reserve member's to contact the Administration Office to be placed on our mail-out list so if this is something you have yet to do, please contact Bella or Drake at your earliest convenience to ensure we have your most up-to-date address. All cheques that are to be mailed out will be sent on the actual payout date of February 9th, 2018.

Should you require any further information, please contact the Administration Office directly and our receptionist will connect you to the appropriate source.

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Chief Wayne Pamajewon

On behalf of the SFN Chief & Council