

Sixties Scoop Department Report

Annual General Assembly

Minister Thomas, Minister of Sixties Scoop

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Background

- The Sixties Scoop is a child welfare policy developed and implemented in the early 1950s and lasting well into the early 1990s
- Policy separated Métis children from their families and communities
- Many lost their identity and Métis rights



Our Collective Journey

- 2019 – A series of engagements led to a national “What We Heard” Report
- 2020 – Sixties Scoop Department is formed
- 2021 – The department launches the Sixties Scoop Wellness Centre



Engagement with Survivors and Métis Citizens



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Sixties Scoop Wellness Centre



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Ensuring all Red River Métis Citizens and Sixties Scoop Survivors know the support available through the Centre



Kitchen Table Talk

- Sessions hosted virtually
- First sessions in May 2022: Session focused on reconnecting
- Second sessions took place on Sept 20 and 21: Session focuses on attaining Citizenship
- Future session will continue to be virtual, face-to-face or hybrid model



Mental Health Supports

- Mental Health Supports are available through LifeWorks
- One-on-one, face-to-face, and secured video-conferencing services
- Available 24 hours a day
- Call the Centre for more details



Legal Update

- The Federal Court and The Federal Court of Appeal have denied the MMF's intervenor status request in the Métis and Non-Status Class Action lawsuit against the Canadian Government
- MMF will communicate with Survivors on the next steps soon



Year in Review

- Launched Wellness Centre
- Hired core staff
- Conducted 152 Sixties Scoop Survivor Intakes processes
- Posted service and program announcements on website and social media
- Distributed information literature to citizens and locals on the Centre's programs and services
- Established Mental Health Support Services
- Hosted 3 Kitchen Table Talk Sessions



Upcoming Activities

- Develop the Centre's capacity to serve the Sixties Scoop Survivor community
- Continue to engage with Sixties Scoop Survivors and their families
- Continue to educate the Red River Métis community about the Sixties Scoop era
- Pursue justice for Sixties Scoop Survivors



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