

Rainy River First Nations Trust



MESSAGE FROM TRUSTEES

Community Fund Trustees have discussed the *Jordan's Principle* program and its impacts on Members accessing funding from the Trust.

As per Section 8.2 of the Trust Agreement, which has always been the basis for all funding reviews, "Expenditures Beneficial to the Beneficiary will enhance and supplement funding and programs provided by Canada, Ontario or Rainy River wherever possible."

As directed by the Trust Agreement, and the goal of enhancing and supplementing existing funding opportunities, Community Fund Trustees, in completing their review of project submissions, will be requesting that projects that have the potential to fall within the parameters of the Jordan's Principle program, seek funding from this program simultaneously as an application is made to the Trust.

The Trust has sought further information on the program to ensure representatives within the Trustee groups are aware of the funding opportunities that may fall within this program.

Trustees are asking all Members who may be applying for funding to cover projects related to their children, to contact the Jordan's Principle funding to determine eligibility. Copies of a denial or information from a Jordan's Principle representative that notes the project does not fit, can be submitted as support documentation for a submission to the Trust.

Members are encouraged to visit the Jordan's Principle link below and contact the Jordan's Principle Call Centre which operates 24/7. To save time and avoid delays, Members are asked to do this prior to or at the same time as applying to the Trust.

If you have any questions pertaining to the Trust's process in this regard, please contact the Trust office at **855-482-2158** or email **info@rainyriverfirstnationstrust.ca**.

https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/services/jordans-principle.html

✓ Jordan's Principle Call Centre: 1-855-JP-CHILD (1-855-572-4453) open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week