



K'ómoks First Nation

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Mayor Bob Wells & Council
City of Courtenay
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Requesting your support: please help our communities celebrate National Indigenous People's Day

Dear Mayor Wells,

It is my pleasure to share that we are hosting our annual National Indigenous People's Day celebrations again this year on Wednesday June 21. This event provides an opportunity to celebrate and honour all Indigenous communities, recognizing our strength, sharing in cultural knowledge and diversity, and celebrating our resilience.

This year, we are excited to expand our efforts to accommodate for larger crowds, more parking, and vendors. As a result, we are moving the festivities to a new location, across from the Puntledge RV Campground. Morning activities will include key note speakers Joanna Recalma of Qualicum/Pentlatch, Letitica Pokiak from Tuktoyuktuk, and Dr. Dorothy Kennedy. These presentations will be closed for K'ómoks members, Chief & Council, and invited guests and elected officials. In the afternoon, the agenda will open to the general public, with storytelling, drumming and singing on stage, as well as fun for the family with kids' zone activities, a carver's corner, and food vendors.

Seeking community support and donations

With our expanded offerings come expanded costs. While K'ómoks First Nation is providing important contributions for this event, we are looking to raise an additional \$35,000 and secure donations in-kind from our valued community partners. Partner support could take the form of:

- Contributing financially
- Providing volunteer assistance (day-of event support)
- Supplying event, signage, or stage equipment
- Promoting the event in media channels
- Donating food, swag and/or door prizes

If your organization would be interested in supporting this important community event, please reach out as soon as possible to Katherine Frank, our event lead at 250 650 7271 (cell) or katfrank4@hotmail.ca. Your contribution will provide a unique opportunity to promote cross-cultural awareness and understanding.

Respectfully,

Ken Price
Elected Chief Councillor
K'ómoks First Nation