



Caldwell First Nation

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OFNLP Funding Designation

OFNLP stands for Ontario First Nations (2008) Limited Partnership. Caldwell First Nation has benefited from OFNLP funding since the 2001 fiscal year under the previous agreement and, as of April 1, 2011, under the new agreement. Funding is provided to the Nation through an application process for grants, cost allocation strategies, and economic budgeting. Caldwell First Nation has benefitted from over \$9,000,000 in funding over the course of 19 years.

OFNLP is designed to provide Ontario First Nations with a limited amount of funding to be used as presented by the First Nation in said applications. In order to maximize funding, it is our duty at Caldwell First Nation to ensure all funding is used to its maximum capacity in order to sustain future funding allowances for our programs and events.

There are 5 categories related to the designation of funds provided by OFNLP. The categories are as follows (in no particular order):

1. Community Development
2. Cultural Development
3. Economic Development
4. Health
5. Education

Each category is responsible for its own funding requirements and expenses. Caldwell First Nation events that have benefitted from this source of funding, in no particular order, are as follows:

- The Purchase of Land – Prior to 2016
- Environmental Assessments on lands designated for Additions to Reserve
- Environmental Cleanups on lands designated for Additions to Reserve
- Reference Plans & Surveying for lands designated for Additions to Reserve
- Land Management Plan with First Nations Engineering
- Emergency Preparedness Plan
- Sewer Line for 920 County Road #1 (Currently waiting on Reserve Status)
- Seasonal Feast Costs (Not permitted under Health Program funding)

- Adult (pilot program) & Youth Activity Program
- Medical Assistance Program (Lifetime Amount of **\$1,500**)
- AIAI Elders Trip (AIAI provides limited funding for elder transportation)
- Elders Annual Trip (Casino Rama, Niagara Falls)
- Funeral Costs for Band Members (up to **\$10,000**)
- Post-Secondary Education (eliminates a waiting list due to inadequate funds provided by the Federal Government)
- Graduation Ceremony (Grade 8, Grade 12, and Post-Secondary Graduates)
- COVID-19 Support Payment for Members
- Economic Development Research and Initiatives
- Cannabis Business Development
- Committees (Development of committees and cost support for meetings)
- Cultural Development (serves to supplement programs and services that lack adequate funding)
- Policy Development

This year we delivered OFNLP with another annual audit with no concerns.

Due to COVID-19, the OFNLP funds are expected to decrease significantly for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year.

Council will provide future updates as needed with regards to the OFNLP funds.

Sincerely,



Councillor Perkins



Councillor Peters



Councillor Scott



Councillor Simpson