

Chi'áxw Advisory Committee



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The Chi'áxw Child and Family Law Project is seeking applicants for two committees:

- **Chi'áxw Members Advisory Committee**
- **Chi'áxw Knowledge Keepers Committee**

What is the Chi'áxw Child and Family Law Project?

Chi'áxw (laws) defined the roles of each family member within collectively managed communities and the tasks that were assigned and completed by each person to ensure the safety and sustainability of the Nation people on an on-going basis.

In January 2020, Canada passed legislation *An Act respecting First Nation, Inuit, and Metis, children, youth, and families*. This federal law makes it possible for First Nations across Canada to legally take over full control and management of services to children, youth, and families. In April 2021 in response to the above opportunity, Council approved a Project Team to conduct a survey of Members "Whether the Nation should proceed to explore a Nation Law option for delivering services to children and families". Over 80% of respondents favored moving to Nation Law.

The Member Advisory Committee will consist of a committee of five to seven people whose members typically will be Squamish Nation Members with a desire to contribute to collective team solutions for child and family needs and challenges. This committee's input towards the creation of a law pertaining to the care of Nation children will be the cornerstone of a future Child and Family Services Chi'áxw.

The Knowledge Keepers Advisory Committee will consist of a committee of five to seven people whose members will typically be from one of the following groups: Elders, Hereditary Chiefs, and Keepers of traditional and cultural knowledge. Their recommendations will ensure that policies and procedures are delivered according to Squamish culture and protocols.

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About You

Your Full Legal Name:

Are you a Squamish Nation Member: Yes No

Contact Info (Phone number or Email):

Which Advisory Committee are you applying for?

Member Advisory Committee

Knowledge Keepers

Please explain why you think you would be a good candidate to serve on this Advisory Committee?

Send your completed application form to
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