



# YEAR END EVENTS



## NEWSLETTER

### Bringing Our Community Together This Season

#### THANK YOU

Firstly we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our stakeholders and service providers for their unwavering support throughout the year. Our healing center has experienced an incredible journey, and we would not be where we are today without each of you. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.



#### TO KICK OFF DECEMBER OUTINGS

Our residents love their outings, especially out on country. They thrive and so do we seeing how happy they are and making sure they get ample time to connect to the land.



#### BUSHFIT MOB



We consistently hold sessions with Bushfit to ensure the men remain active, promoting a healthy and balanced lifestyle while also supporting their mental well-being.





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### ROLLING WITH THE PUNCHES

#### VISIT FROM DARRYL GARDINER

we were honoured to welcome Darryl Gardiner from Rolling With The Punches to our Healing Centre. Darryl sat down with our residents, sharing from his deep experience in mental health, resilience, addiction recovery, suicide prevention and healing. His message about building strength and looking forward, not being held back by the past, resonated strongly with everyone.

Darryl also spent meaningful time out on country with residents, engaging with them in a respectful and heartfelt way. His ability to connect, listen and support our mob was incredibly positive, and we are grateful for the time he spent with us. His visit highlighted the importance of lived experience and compassionate support in the healing journey.



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#### FAREWELL **WILL & MATT**

We want to bid farewell to Will and Matt. Their incredible contributions have not gone unnoticed, and we are truly grateful for the dedication they have shown to our residents. It has been a remarkable and enlightening journey at our healing center, and we wouldn't have come this far without their support. We sincerely appreciate their efforts and wish both of them the best of luck in their future endeavors.



#### INTAKES

Intakes will resume starting January 27, 2026.

#### **SUPPORT WORKER WANTED**



We currently have full-time support worker positions available. Feel free to reach out if you or someone you know might be interested.



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#### CHRISTMAS PARTIES

WHILE WE WERE ATTENDING OUR STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY, WE WERE DELIGHTED TO DISCOVER THAT RODERICK FROM ALC HAD SURPRISED OUR RESIDENTS WITH A SPECIAL TREAT. THEY WERE ENTERTAINED BY TRADITIONAL DANCERS AND HAD THE JOY OF BEING ACCCOMPANIED BY THEIR FAMILIES FOR THE EVENING.





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#### **THANK YOU AND MERRY CHRISTMAS**

AS WE APPROACH THE NEW YEAR, I WANT TO EXTEND MY HEARTFELT THANKS TO EACH OF YOU FOR YOUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT THROUGHOUT 2025. IT HAS BEEN A YEAR FILLED WITH CHALLENGES, BUT ONE THAT HAS ALSO BEEN PROFOUNDLY REWARDING AS WE'VE BUILT THE FOUNDATION FOR THE ANINDILYAKWA HEALING CENTRE'S ALTERNATIVE TO CUSTODY PROGRAM.

FROM LAUNCHING OUR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES IN JUNE TO WELCOMING OUR FIRST CLIENTS AND STRENGTHENING CULTURAL PARTNERSHIPS, EVERY MILESTONE HAS BEEN MADE POSSIBLE BY YOUR COMMITMENT. WE STILL HAVE A LONG JOURNEY AHEAD, BUT WITH THE CONTINUED BACKING OF OUR DEDICATED STAKEHOLDERS, I AM CONFIDENT WE WILL REACH OUR SHARED VISION OF HEALING AND EMPOWERMENT FOR THE ANINDILYAKWA MEN AND OUR COMMUNITY.

WE COULD NOT HAVE COME THIS FAR WITHOUT YOU—YOUR BELIEF IN OUR WORK HAS BEEN THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND OUR PROGRESS.

WISHING YOU ALL A SAFE, JOYFUL CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS, HAPPY NEW YEAR FILLED WITH PEACE AND STRENGTH.

WARM REGARDS,

SAILOSI TUPOU  
SERVICE MANAGER, ANINDILYAKWA HEALING CENTRE

