

Did you know that 2019
marked the first year
for the Spirit Bear Award?



Spirit Bear Award

2026 NOMINATION FORM

*For Demonstrated Commitment by a Group of Young People to Reconciliation
and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action*

Do you know a group of young people who are actively working toward reconciliation and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's (TRC) Calls to Action? Named in honour of **Spirit Bear**, who is a *bear*rrister of reconciliation and equity for kids, this award will go to a group of young people who demonstrate their ongoing commitment to reconciliation and the TRC Calls to Action. The award honours groups who have made significant contributions to reconciliation and are continuing the work. Nominators are asked to explain and outline how the award will contribute to the group's ongoing reconciliation activities.

The selection committee will determine the recipients and honourable mentions of the award. The group of young people selected will receive one of three \$500 prizes to use as they would like toward their future reconciliation-based activities and events.

AWARD NOMINATION PACKAGE CHECKLIST

Please include the following documents in the award nomination package:

Completed nomination form (see page 2)

Cover letter written by the nominator stating how the group meets the award criteria. This letter should speak to the ways in which the group has demonstrated their commitment to reconciliation and the TRC Calls to Action, as well as the ways they plan to continue their work going forward.

2 letters of support speaking to how the group meets the award criteria. The support letters must be written by individuals other than the nominator. Letters authored by the nominator will not be accepted.

Other materials that might support the nomination (links to video clips, pictures, etc).

Here are three ways to submit your nominations:

- 1. Nominate a group online at:** fncaringsociety.com/spirit-bear-award
- 2. Email us your completed package:** info@fncaringsociety.com
- 3. Send a completed nomination package to:**

*Spirit Bear Award, c/o First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada
Suite 202, 350 Sparks Street, Ottawa, ON K1R 7S8*

For questions please contact us at info@fncaringsociety.com

The deadline for nominations is 11:45 pm ET April 30, 2026



**First Nations Child &
Family Caring Society**

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PLEASE INDICATE THE AGE GROUP OF THE AWARD NOMINEES (SELECT ONE)

Group of children (aged 0–12)

Group of youth (age 13–18)

Children and youth group (mixed age group)

AWARD NOMINEE INFORMATION

NOMINEE'S NAME (GROUP NAME)

CONTACT PERSON FOR THE GROUP

AFFILIATION – SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION/GROUP

SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION/GROUP

STREET ADDRESS 1

STREET ADDRESS 2

CITY

PROV/TERR

POSTAL CODE

WORK PHONE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

AWARD NOMINATOR INFORMATION

NAME

STREET ADDRESS 1

STREET ADDRESS 2

CITY

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HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE NOMINEES?

PLEASE INCLUDE A SHORT BIO OF THE GROUP AND THEIR WORK (3 TO 5 SENTENCES).