

Every Child Matters

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We are deeply saddened by the horrific discovery of the remains of 215 Indigenous children from the former Kamloops Indian Residential School in Kamloops, B.C. The loss is immeasurable. We mourn for the children, their families, and their community. We grieve with the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation community and with all residential school survivors.



June marks the beginning of National Indigenous History Month. We have a responsibility to educate ourselves, to listen, and to act. We honour the truth and are committed to reconciling for the future.

The Indian Residential Schools Crisis Line is open 24-hours a day for survivors of residential schools and their families. If you are in distress, please reach out at 1-866-925-4419.

You can also donate to the Indian Residential School Survivors Society here: **Donate — Indian Residential School Survivors Society (irsss.ca)**

To view local Manitoban organizations, click here: **Honouring Survivors - Indian Residential Schools, Day School, and Sixties Scoop - Southern Chiefs' Organization Inc. (scoinc.mb.ca)**

Please visit the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada here: **Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca)**

If you are a member of the Canada Bar Association, please consider registering for The Path: **Canadian Bar Association - Understanding the Truth and Engaging in Reconciliation (cba.org)**

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