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Junior Indigenous Business Officer

Indigenous Youth Entrepreneurship (IYE) Program

Location: Burns Lake Native Development Corporation
Employment Type: Full-time, 4-Year Term Contract
Closing Date: April 30, 2025

About the Program: Indigenous Youth Entrepreneurship (IYE)

The Indigenous Youth Entrepreneurship (IYE) Program is a bold national initiative delivered through 32 Indigenous Financial Institutions (IFIs) across Canada. This program is designed to support the next generation of Indigenous business leaders by providing access to Business Support Officers, tailored training opportunities, and micro-loans that help youth start and grow their own businesses.

Developed in partnership with Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) and the National Aboriginal Capital Corporations Association (NACCA), the IYE Program aims to eliminate barriers that Indigenous youth face in entrepreneurship and ensure they have the knowledge, tools, and capital needed to succeed.

Position Overview:

We are seeking a motivated and community-driven Junior Indigenous Business Officer to lead the IYE Program with Burns Lake Native Development Corporation. In this role, you will support Indigenous youth on their entrepreneurial journey, coordinate programming, and foster strong community relationships to create a thriving youth business ecosystem.

This is an exciting opportunity to make a lasting impact by empowering young Indigenous entrepreneurs over the next four years.

Key Responsibilities:

- Lead the implementation and management of the IYE Program in the region.
- Work closely with Business Support Officers to ensure youth participants receive guidance, training, and access to funding.
- Organize workshops, training sessions, and networking events tailored to Indigenous youth entrepreneurs.
- Track and report on program outcomes, providing feedback and recommendations for continuous improvement.
- Engage directly with Indigenous youth to identify needs, opportunities, and support pathways.

- Build lasting partnerships with Indigenous communities, mentors, business leaders, and financial institutions.
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Qualifications:

- Strong knowledge of Indigenous economic development, business, or youth entrepreneurship.
 - Experience in managing programs, events, or projects—especially those focused on Indigenous youth or community development.
 - Excellent communication, leadership, and organizational abilities.
 - Experience working with Indigenous organizations, youth programs, or government-funded initiatives is an asset.
 - Understanding of micro-loan programs and youth support services is beneficial.
 - Post-secondary education in business, economic development, youth leadership, or a related field is preferred. Relevant lived experience and community involvement will also be considered.
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Why Join Us?

- Help inspire and support the next generation of Indigenous entrepreneurs.
 - Join a team that values community, innovation, and long-term impact.
 - Be part of a national network working toward Indigenous economic self-determination.
 - Starting Compensation \$40,000.00 – \$50,000.00 annually based on qualifications and experience with full benefits package.
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How to Apply:

Interested candidates are invited to submit their resume and cover letter outlining their experience and qualifications to Chantal Tom at ctom@blndc.ca

Application Deadline: May 15, 2025

We strongly encourage applications from Indigenous candidates and those with experience working with Indigenous communities.

Let's build the future—together with Indigenous youth.