Family Violence
Resources and Networks

Family Violence Prevention In Aboriginal Communities
**Funding Resources**

- **Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada - National Crime Prevention Centre (NCPC)**
  

  NCPC is responsible for implementing the National Crime Prevention Strategy. NCPC’s work is based on the principle that the surest way to reduce crime is to focus on the factors that put individuals at risk—factors like family violence, school problems and drug abuse. The aim is to reduce crime and victimization by tackling crime before it happens. NCPC has two funding programs which may be of interest:

  1. **Crime Prevention Action Fund**
     

     The Crime Prevention Action Fund supports crime prevention initiatives in communities large and small. It aims to build partnerships between sectors (such as policing, community health, voluntary and private sectors) to enhance community capacity to prevent crime through social development. It is a federal program that is delivered regionally in partnerships with the provincial and territorial governments, and nationally for those projects involving more than one jurisdiction.

  2. **Policing, Corrections and Communities Fund**
     

     The Policing, Corrections and Communities Fund supports projects where community partners work together to prevent crime, primarily through social development. It is intended for law enforcement agencies, community corrections groups/organizations, Aboriginal communities, community-based organizations and the municipalities in which they work.

- **Canadian Heritage – Aboriginal Women’s Program, Family Violence Initiative**
  
  [www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pa-app/progs/ppfa-awp/index_e.cfm](http://www.canadianheritage.gc.ca/progs/pa-app/progs/ppfa-awp/index_e.cfm)

  The objective of the Aboriginal Women’s Program is to ensure that Aboriginal women can address issues that affect their social, cultural, economic and political well-being within their own communities and Canadian society by enabling them to influence policies, programs, legislation, and decision-making in a manner that respects their cultural distinctiveness and preserves their cultural identity. The Family Violence Initiative, one of two funding components under the Aboriginal Women’s Program, enables Aboriginal women to address violence-related issues, within both the nuclear and extended family in Aboriginal communities.

- **Indian and Northern Affairs – Family Violence Prevention Program for First Nations**
  
  [www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ps/fvp_e.html](http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ps/fvp_e.html)

  Seeks to prevent family violence, to help those who face violence in their homes and to raise awareness of related issues. The program funds 34 shelters on reserves and reimburses shelters located off reserves for services provided to First Nations people who ordinarily live on a reserve. This program also funds community-based family violence prevention programs.

- **Status of Women Canada – Women’s Program**
  
  [www.swc-cfc.gc.ca/funding/wp/wpguidext_e.html#intro](http://www.swc-cfc.gc.ca/funding/wp/wpguidext_e.html#intro)

  The mandate of the Women’s Program is to support action by women’s organizations and other partners seeking to advance equality for women by addressing women’s economic, social, political and legal situation. The Women’s Program supports action by providing financial assistance, technical support (e.g. linking different groups that share a common goal, helping groups gain access to various parts of the government, or providing access to resource materials and tools that help organizations to work more effectively), and by focusing its support on actions and strategies which will result in progress on women’s equality issues. The Women’s Program works with a range of women’s organizations and other partners, including women’s and other equality-seeking organizations, and other voluntary organizations, including professional associations, where there is an opportunity for significant progress towards women’s equality, either within the institution or in society.

- **Justic Canada—Family Violence Initiative—Justice Partnership and Innovation Fund**
  

  The Justice Partnership and Innovation Fund (Family Violence Initiative) provides funding for organizations that want to conduct short-term innovative pilot projects to develop, test and assess models, strategies and tools to improve the criminal justice system’s response to family violence. As well, funding can be provided in support of Public Legal Education and Information (PLEI) projects to promote public access to family violence information, to promote public awareness of the factors contributing to family violence, and to advance public involvement in the responses to family violence.

- **Justice Canada – Aboriginal Justice Strategy**
  

  The AJS is composed of community-based justice programs that are cost-shared with provincial and territorial governments, and self-government negotiations in the field of administration of justice. Of these components, only the community-based justice programs provide contribution funding to Aboriginal communities.

- **The Mounted Police Foundation**
  
  [www.mountedpolicefnd.org](http://www.mountedpolicefnd.org)

  Established in 1994, the Mounted Police Foundation is a not-for-profit organization that manages the RCMP Licensing Program of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The MPF generates revenues through licensing and effective use of the RCMP’s intellectual property, so that we can fund youth based community groups in their efforts to support community policing and instilling national pride ultimately creating safer communities. By investing in community and youth development the MPF helps support RCMP community policing.
The Aboriginal Healing Foundation
www.ahf.ca
The Aboriginal Healing Foundation supports community-based initiatives which address the legacy of physical and sexual abuse in Canada’s Indian Residential School System, including intergenerational impacts.

Government of New Brunswick Executive Council Office, Women’s Issues Branch – A Better World for Women Action Fund
www.gnb.ca/0012/ Womens-Issues/index-e.asp
Provides one-time grants to assist communities with initiatives to support abused women and address violence prevention. Funds are limited. Maximum funding will not exceed $5,000, and may be less, depending on demand, thus the need for establishing partnerships with others is encouraged.

Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation Grants Program
The Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation was established in 1985 as a charitable trust. The Foundation is committed to the prevention and elimination of family violence and to supporting the efforts of those providing services to victims of abuse. Its goals are to support research into the causes, incidences and forms of family violence, and to promote effective educational programs to increase public awareness about this pervasive problem. The Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation Grants Program provides financial assistance to non-profit organizations which research the causes, incidences and forms of family violence, which promote effective intervention, and which support educational programs that increase public awareness about this pervasive problem. The selected recipients will be awarded a grant to a maximum of $3,000 per organization.

Aboriginal Affairs Secretariat – Government of New Brunswick
www.gnb.ca/0016/index-e.asp
The mandate of the Aboriginal Affairs Secretariat is to provide information and advice to the Minister responsible for Aboriginal Affairs and to departments on planning, policy development, communications, interdepartmental co-ordination and intergovernmental relations pertaining to Aboriginal matters; to act as a liaison with Mi’kmaq and Maliseet communities and Aboriginal organizations; and to further cultural awareness in relation to Aboriginal people within the public service and with the general public. Grants may be available for conferences and workshops pertaining to Education, Health and Active Living, and Cultural and Community Events, such as powwows, festivals and National Aboriginal Day.

The objective of the Aboriginal Women’s Program is to ensure that Aboriginal women can address issues that affect their well-being within their own communities

– Canadian Heritage
**Family Violence Networks & Organizations**

**The National Aboriginal Circle Against Family Violence (NACAFV)**

The National Aboriginal Circle Against Family Violence (NACAFV) has its basis in a consultative process that respects and recognizes Aboriginal knowledge as necessary for the effective provision of family violence intervention and prevention to Aboriginal peoples. The objective of NACAFV is to serve many stakeholders by acting as a national clearinghouse for on-the-ground information, develop standards, training programs and provide project monitoring around Aboriginal family violence.

*For more information:*
National Aboriginal Circle Against Family Violence
396 Cooper Street, Suite 301
Ottawa, ON K2P 2H7
Tel: (613) 236-1844
Fax: (613) 236-8057
Web Site: [www.nacafv.ca](http://www.nacafv.ca)

**Native Women’s Association of Canada**

*‘Sisters in Spirit’ Initiative*

The Native Women’s Association of Canada (NWAC) launched the national Sisters in Spirit Campaign ([www.sistersinspirit.ca/](http://www.sistersinspirit.ca/)) in March 2004 to raise public awareness of the alarmingly high rates of violence against Aboriginal women in Canada. NWAC believes we are in an urgent state of affairs with regards to the safety of Aboriginal women in Canada.

*For more information:*
Native Women’s Association of Canada (NWAC)
1292 Wellington Street W
Ottawa, ON K1Y 3A9
Tel: (613) 722-3033
Toll Free: (800) 461-4043
Web Site: [www.nwac-hq.org](http://www.nwac-hq.org)

**Provincial Caring Partnerships**

A network of New Brunswick communities that are taking grassroots action to inform and educate the public about family violence issues and solutions. Each community has created partnerships among local groups, businesses, service clubs, social agencies and individuals who are concerned about family violence and its insidious and widespread effects throughout society. The Provincial Caring Partnership Committee (PCPC), which is comprised of dedicated, volunteer representatives from provincial agencies and government departments, acts as a catalyst to keep communities motivated and connected.

*For more information:*
Provincial Caring Partnerships Committee
c/o Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation
P.O. Box 50 000
Fredericton, NB E3B 6C2
Tel: 506-472-5085
Fax: 506-472-5084
Email: pcpc@unb.ca
Website: [www.violencepreventionnb.org](http://www.violencepreventionnb.org)

**Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation, Inc.**

A charity whose mandate is to eradicate family violence. It supports research into the causes, incidences, and forms of family violence, and promotes effective educational programs to increase public awareness about these issues.

-The MMFF Grants Program—The Grants Program provides financial assistance to non-profit organizations that research family violence, promote effective intervention or raise public awareness about the issue.

-November Family Violence Prevention Month (NFVPM)—Family Violence Prevention Month was established in 1992 by the Foundation to create awareness and education on the issue of family violence.

*For more information:*
Toll free: 1(888)673-6633
Telephone: 1(506)472-5085
Fax: 1(506)472-5084
Email: mmff@unb.ca
Web: [www.mmff.ca](http://www.mmff.ca)

**Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research**

The Centre offers a Family Violence Issues Certificate Program through the University of New Brunswick, the first of its kind in North America.

Staff at the Centre offer presentations and/or workshops on family violence and violence against women.

*For more information:*
Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research, UNB
P.O. Box 4400 / Case postale 4400
Fredericton, NB E3B 5A3
Tel.: (506) 458-7137
Fax: (506) 453-4788
Web Site: [www.unb.ca/arts/CFVR](http://www.unb.ca/arts/CFVR)

**Fredericton Sexual Assault Crisis Centre**

The Fredericton Sexual Assault Crisis Centre (FSACC) is a grassroots, not for profit community organization whose primary goal is reflected in a commitment to work towards the eradication of sexual violence. As the only sexual assault crisis centre in the province, FSACC has over thirty years of experience offering intervention services to survivors of sexual violence, their families and concerned others. Using its three decades of developing and delivering preventative educational programming, FSACC has also distributed materials related to preventing sexual assault and the promotion of healthy relationships across Canada.

*For more information:*
Fredericton Sexual Assault Crisis Centre
P.O. Box 174
Fredericton, NB E3B 4Y9
Public Legal Education and Information Service of New Brunswick (PLEIS-NB)

PLEIS-NB is a provincial, non-profit organization that educates the public about the law and helps to create access to the legal system. It offers bilingual products and services such as:

- Publication Program—Over 100 publications available on various topics related to the law and most are free of charge for quantities up to 50
- Toll-Free Family Law Information Line: 1-888-236-2444
- Web Site: www.legal-info-legale.nb.ca
- Speaker's Bureau—we can provide experts on a range of legal topics who are willing to talk to your group free of charge
- Workshops, Presentations & Training Sessions on law information topics
- Video Lending Library – lends videos for classroom or community events. Large selection of topics, including many on family violence and youth justice.

For more information:
Public Legal Education and Information Service of New Brunswick
P.O. Box 6000
Fredericton, NB E3B 5H1
Tel: (506) 453-5369
Fax: (506) 462-5193
E-mail: pleisnb@web.ca
Web Site: www.legal-info-legale.nb.ca

New Brunswick Advisory Council on the Status of Women

The Advisory Council on the Status of Women was created by the provincial government as an arms length agency for consultation and study on matters relating to the status of New Brunswick women. The Council was created to advise governments; increase awareness of the population on issues, programs and services; recommend legislation, policies and practices to the Government of New Brunswick; facilitate networking among women's groups; and gather, research and disseminate information.

For more information:
Phone: (506) 444-4101
1-800-332-3087
(within New Brunswick, Canada)
Fax: (506) 444-4318
Email: acswcccf@gnb.ca
Web Site: www.acswcccf.nb.ca

Making Waves/Vague par vague, Inc.

Making Waves/Vague par vague is an innovative and successful provincial dating violence prevention program in operation since 1995. Guided by principles of equality, equity and diversity, they engage young people in a peer process to explore and raise awareness of relationship violence issues. Young people become active partners in creating a world in which violence is not tolerated.

Student manuals ($20) contain youth-friendly information on a variety of topics, including abuse, warning signs of violence, healthy relationships, what to do about abuse, gender stereotypes, media awareness, sexual assault, personal boundaries, and communication skills. Teacher/guidance counsellor manuals provide basic dating violence information, as well as examples of situations that may be encountered in the school environment.

The web site offers information on dating violence issues, and provides a forum for teachers and students to discuss issues within their own schools and communities.

For more information:
Making Waves/Vague par vague
P.O. Box 65, Station A/C.P. 65, Succ. A
Fredericton, NB E3B 4Y2
Tel.: (506) 474-1773
Fax: (506) 459-8626
E-mail: makingwaves@nb.aibn.com
Web Site: www.mwaves.org

New Brunswick Coalition of Transition Houses

The New Brunswick Coalition of Transition Houses began its work in 1987 and today represents thirteen transition houses, three second stage housing facilities, the Fredericton Sexual Assault Crisis Centre, the Kent Centre for the Prevention of Family Violence, and the Client Advisory Committee.

For more information:
N. B. Coalition of Transition Houses
P.O. Box 342
St. Stephen, N.B. E3L 2X2
Tel.: (506) 466-5879
Fax: (506) 465-8038
E-mail: syn456@nb.sympatico.ca
Web Site: www.nbcth.com

New Brunswick Silent Witness Project

The Silent Witness Project remembers and honours women killed in acts of domestic homicide in New Brunswick by building life-size red wooden silhouettes to represent each woman who lost her life at the hands of a husband, common-law partner, boyfriend or intimate acquaintance. Started in the
U.S.A., New Brunswick is the first Canadian province to establish a Silent Witness project. The Organizing Committee is made up of representatives of four organizations (Charlotte County Family Violence Committee; Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research; Muriel McQueen Fergusson Foundation; and Provincial Caring Partnerships Committee) and together they offer the following bilingual services:

- Silent Witness Travelling Exhibit
- Presentations and Speakers
- Silent Witness Materials
- Assistance in Creating a Silhouette
- Silhouette Dedication Ceremonies
- CD (“I’ll Stand in the Rain”) and Promotional Items
- Canadian National Silent Witness Guide

For more information:
New Brunswick Silent Witness Project
c/o Muriel McQueen Fergusson Centre for Family Violence Research
678 Windsor Street, P.O. Box 4400
Fredericton, NB E3B 5A3
Tel.: (506) 453-3395
Fax: (506) 453-4788
E-mail: fvrc@unb.ca

THE CANADIAN RED CROSS, RESPECTED: VIOLENCE AND ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM

Offers a series of educational sessions across New Brunswick for children, youth, and adults who work with young people. Workshops are available on the issues of child abuse and bullying/harassment. Facilitators are highly trained and certified through extensive classroom and/or online training programs. All programs engage learners in an interactive process, and encourage a proactive comprehensive approach to prevention.

For more information:
Telephone: (506) 458-8445, extension 6
E-mail: stacy.coy@redcross.ca
Website: www.redcross.ca/respected.

MENSWORK/VOIX D’HOMMES, INC.

Men working with men to end violence against women
Hommes travaillant avec hommes pour éliminer la violence faite contre les femmes

MensWork is a group of men and women from various parts of New Brunswick who believe that there is a need to speak out and work in a proactive way with other men to promote and bring about a society in which violence of all sorts, especially violence against women and children, is no longer part of our way of life.

MensWork is able to provide a speaker/presenter to community groups or events. Themes include, but are not limited to: domestic or intimate partner violence; treatment for men who are abusive and violent in their intimate relationships; treatment for women victims; working with children exposed to family violence.

For more information:
MensWork / Voix d’hommes, Inc.
227 Lutz Street, Apt. 2
Moncton, NB E1C 5G2
Tel.: (506) 866-2661
E-mail: info@mensworknb.com

THE COALITION AGAINST ABUSE IN RELATIONSHIPS (C.A.A.R.)

A non-profit organization representing many service providers. Members work directly or indirectly with victims and/or perpetrators of violence in relationships. Created in 1990, it attempts to improve awareness of and access to services to the victims and/or perpetrators of abuse through public education and lobbying activities. The ultimate goal is to break and/or prevent the cycle of violence.

For more information:
The Coalition Against Abuse in Relationships (C.A.A.R.)
P.O. Box / Case Postale 1660
Moncton, NB E1C 9X5
Phone: (506) 866-2661
Fax: (506) 856-7075
E-mail: caar@coalitionagainstabuse.com
Web Site: www.coalitionagainstabuse.com

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL)

Women’s Issues Branch, Executive Council Office, Province of New Brunswick

The Province of New Brunswick’s Women’s Issues Branch provides policy advice and support to the Minister Responsible for the Status of Women; coordinates the implementation of the government’s action plan on violence against women, A Better World for Women; and liaises with the departments of government and the Advisory Council on the Status of Women on issues of concern to women.

For more information:
Telephone: (506) 453-8126
Website: www.gnb.ca/0012/Womens-Issues/index-e.asp

National Clearinghouse on Family Violence

On behalf of the Government of Canada and its Family Violence Initiative (FVI), the Public Health Agency of Canada operates the National Clearinghouse on Family Violence (NCFV). The NCFV is Canada’s resource centre for information on violence within relationships of kinship, intimacy, dependency or trust. The NCFV collects, develops, and disseminates information on family violence across the country and abroad. NCFV resources and services are available free of charge in both English and French.

For more information:
National Clearinghouse on Family Violence
Family Violence Prevention Unit
Public Health Agency of Canada
200 Eglinante Drive
(Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N8)
9th Floor, Jeanne Mance Building
Tunney’s Pasture
TTY: 1-800-561-5643 or (613) 957-2938
1-800-561-5643 or (613) 952-6396
Fax: (613) 941-8930
Email: ncfv-cnivf@phac-aspc.gc.ca
Website: www.nationalclearinghouse.org

Government of Canada’s National Crime Prevention Strategy

The National Crime Prevention Strategy works to increase protective factors and decrease risk factors that can lead to crime and victimization. Using a social development approach to crime prevention, the National Strategy seeks to equip communities...
with the tools, knowledge, and support they need to deal proactively with the root causes of crime and victimization.

For more information:
Website:  www.psepc-sppcc.gc.ca/prg/cp/ncps-en.asp

Justice Canada – Policy Centre for Victim Issues

The Policy Centre for Victim Issues (PCVI) works to increase the confidence of victims of crime in the criminal justice system through raising awareness among victims of crime and their families about their role in the criminal justice system and of services and assistance available to support them. The PCVI also engages in a number of activities to respond to the needs and concerns of victims of crime and to ensure that the perspective of victims is considered as policies, legislation and programs are developed. These activities include consultations, criminal law policy development, research, analysis of proposed legislative reform, development of new legislation and monitoring of existing legislation, public education, project funding and working closely with provincial and territorial counterparts that have responsibility for victim services. The PCVI administers the Victims Fund.

For more information:

New Brunswick Transition Houses

A transition house is a safe place for abused women and their children to find shelter for up to a month. The staff at the transition house can provide counselling and information about legal options and social services. Transition houses are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and are free of charge. Staff at the transition house can help women and their children through a time of crisis. Or, they can give advice, support and referrals over the phone without having to know your name. Anyone can call a shelter to get information—men and women. If you are a supporter, relative, friend, co-worker, or even supervisor of someone you feel is in a dangerous situation, you can call a transition house and ask for information. For more information about New Brunswick transition houses, please refer to the New Brunswick Coalition of Transition Houses web site at www.nbcth.com. Although Aboriginal women are welcome at any transition house, Gignoo Transition House is the only Aboriginal women’s shelter.

Gignoo Transition House Inc.
P.O. Box 3385, Station B
Fredericton, NB E3A 5H2
458-1224
1-800-565-6878 (toll-free)

Passage House
P.O. Box 1284
Bathurst, NB E2A 4J1
546-9540

L’Escale Madavic
P.O. Box 411, Stn. Main
Edmundston, NB E3V 3L1
739-2625

Maison Notre-Dame
P.O. Box 158
Campbellton, N.B. E3N 1G4
753-4703

Women in Transition House Inc.
P.O. Box 1143
Fredericton, NB E3B 5C2
459-2300

Crossroads for Women Inc.
P.O. Box 1247
Moncton, NB E1C 8P9
853-0811

Miramichi Emergency Shelter for Women
P.O. Box 249
Miramichi, NB E1V 3M3
622-8865 (crisis)
662-8861 (office)

Hestia House
P.O. Box 7135, Station A
Saint John, NB E2L 4S5
634-7570 (hot line)
634-7571 (office)
632-5616 (outreach services)

Fundy Region Transition House
P.O. Box 73
St. Stephen, NB E3L 2W9
466-4485

Serenity House
P.O. Box 511
Saint-Anne-de-Kent, NB E4S 5G2
743-1530

Sussex Vale Transition House
P.O. Box 4862
Sussex, NB E4E 5L9
432-6999 (hot line)
433-1649 (office)

L’Accueil Sainte-Famille Inc.
P.O. Box 3685, Main Office
Tracadie-Sheila, NB E1X 1G5
395-1500

Sanctuary House
P.O. Box 4294
Woodstock, NB E7M 6B7
325-9452
1-866-247-0286 (toll-free)

Gignoo Transition house is the only Aboriginal women’s shelter