

Executive Director's Report AGM 2022

Food Hampers

- We ran nine food hampers in Campbell River and nine food hampers on the North Island

COVID programs

- Provided gardening kits for every NIMA household with seeds, tools, pots, and information
- Provided emergency kits for every NIMA household with tools, supplies, first aid and information
- Worked on addressing housing insecurity issues for NIMA households
- Currently offer free COVID rapid antigen tests to NIMA households

Youth Programs

- Hosted a Youth Conference in October
- Providing free tutoring sessions for K-12 students since February 2022
- Program Coordinator connecting with schools around SD72
- Starting regular youth group meetings, first one will be April 27, 2022
- NIMA youth given Métis cultural kit in 2021 (second year in a row), with new Métis themed items in the kit
- Worked with Sasaman's and MCFD to support Métis children in care

Women's Programs

- Hosted a Women's Conference in February
- Starting regular women's group meetings, first one will be April 9, 2022

Elders Programs

- Hosted an Elders Conference in March

Sports Programs

- Ran two Indigenous Run Walk (IRW) programs between March and September 2021
- New Week, New Sport program started in March 2022
- Indigenous Run Walk Wheel (IRWW) program started March 2022

Education

- Sashes to 31 Métis grads in SD 72, 84 and 85, plus all NIMA grads received an additional gift
- NIMA is represented at the Sd 72 Indigenous Advisory and the NIC Indigenous Advisory

Health

- NIMA is a member of the Campbell River Primary Care Network, ensuring Métis voice is present

Housing

- NIMA and MNBC are partnering to build housing units and childcare for Métis people in Campbell River
- Provided advice for building of Q'waxsem Place
- We were part of the advisory committee for Q'w'alayu House. Métis art is present in the building

Michif Language

- Ran a language group taught by Métis Elders from April to June 2021, Michif language resources provided

Presentations

- Attended the LIFTfest to provide Métis information
- Presented a Zoom event about Métis culture and about NIMA through Volunteer CR

General

- Moved office to Room A124 at the Robron Centre to have a bigger space for work
- Survey about housing needs, health needs and issues around racism completed
- 15 videos are now available on NIMA's YouTube page