



Name of Dept:

**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Report 2021-2022**

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Reflecting the Strategic Plan

## LEADERSHIP

GOAL: SELF-GOVERNMENT BASED ON THE CULTURAL AND TRADITIONAL IDENTITY OF SIB.

- Our jurisdiction team has met with both an elder knowledge keeper and another First Nations community, to help our cultural plans for taking over the child protection program. We are hosting information sessions with community members, this engagement is to acquire their input on our process and to stress the importance of Seabird family values, vision, and laws.
- The justice program works closely with probation, to build plans for our members, taking into consideration their family history.
- Our trauma home has a sweat lodge and uses it for clients in the recovery and trauma homes. This cultural tradition aligns with our holistic model of wellness.
- Seabird traditional food bank – our income assistance team continues to share food with those who need it. This generosity is a teaching from our ancestors, and we continue to support those that need it.
- Our genealogy program enhances family tree knowledge – a key component of knowing who we are and where we belong. Families are provided with a binder of their family ancestry.
- We have community artists share their gifts at our recovery and trauma homes, clients learn to do beading and drawing.

## MEMBERSHIP

GOAL: ENGAGED, EMPOWERED AND SELF-SUFFICIENT SQ'EWQELO:MEXW

- We continue to gather information/ideas/teachings from community members for our child and family services jurisdiction team.
- Our family development team works with families to support them gaining life skills, so that they can build on their parental duties and the responsibility of taking care of their children.
- Our income assistance team works to support clients to be responsible for their utility bills, food, and rent, empowering them to look after their family needs.
- Candlelight vigil hosted in our community, to remember family members that we have lost in the past year. This event is growing, we have more community members that are participating in the event.
- Hosted a breast cancer dinner for survivors, this provides support for our community members, and they can discuss how well treatments are or are not working.
- We provide a men's group, to support them and provide a meal and discussions on topics of wellness. A women's support group is in the works with our Family Development Team.

## ENVIRONMENT

### PROTECT AND ENHANCE S'ÓLH TÉMÉXW, INCLUDING LAND, WATER AND AIR CONSISTENT WITH TÓMIYEQW

- Seabird Island's emergency plans include capacity building, training is being provided to both leadership and front-line staff. This will enable us to have an emergency team from pertinent departments to support plans for when we face emergencies in our area.
- Collaboration and planning with the Lands department for food security and land-based projects to enhance food sovereignty for Seabird.

## CULTURE, HEALING, HEALTH & WELLNESS

### GOAL: ÁY:MEXW – HEALTHY PEOPLE, PHYSICALLY, MENTALLY, EMOTIONALLY AND SPIRITUALLY.

- Our recovery and trauma homes provide cultural graduation ceremonies for our clients – we invite family and friends, share food, have speakers and honor with a song and prayer.
- Sacred Seed program for our prenatal families, provides important cultural component for parents to be.
- Community health plans continue with updates to health staff, our portfolio holders, and First Nations Health Authority.
- Elders share their voices and knowledge with our health programs, they are involved in our men's group, AA program and our recovery homes.
- Our child and family services jurisdiction program meets monthly with our Stolo Tribal Council's Siseyomelh group. They provide information on the importance of family preservation using our cultural and traditional perspective to guide the work.
- Our health department assists and supports our community events such as the Christmas dinner, we help with the set-up, serving the meal, and clean up. We participated in the staff Christmas dinner; this was good for staff morale and sharing a meal with our co-workers.
- Seabird Health has cultural mentoring takes place with the mental health team, our trauma home cultural worker shares teachings around land-based healing. Embracing Mother Earth with building sweat lodges, going to the water to cleanse, harvesting cedar and medicines, etc.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

### GOAL: AN ECONOMICALLY STABLE COMMUNITY THAT MEETS THE INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS FOR FUTURE GROWTH.

Within the past quarter:

- Discussion of capital needs for jurisdiction and mental health building, primary care and dental space and supportive housing.

Within the past year:

- FNHA provided funds for remediation in our health wing – the roof and windows were fixed and replaced.