

SACRED FIRE FOR SAUGEEEN ANISHINAABEK

“All PIPE CARRIERS” of our community are encouraged to bring the Pwaagan (pipe)

Purpose: *Support, Prayers, Reflections of Hope and Clarity in the wake of rising Social Tragedy and Turmoil of First Nations Suicides across Turtle Island*

In response to Ontario Regional Chief, Isadore Day, Wiindawtegowinini, request of support. There has been a call out for sacred fires and prayer from all indigenous and non-indigenous communities across Turtle Island.

This request is in light of the increasing number of violent deaths and suicides of First Nation children and youth in many First Nation communities across Turtle Island. It was requested for sacred fires to be lit on Sunday July 9, 2017 for anyone, any family, and any community that may be experience the tragedy of violence, loss, and/or Suicide.

There will be a sacred fire lit at the Saugeen Mino Bimaadsawin. Conrad will be there at 4:30 am and will start off with getting the fire started, a sunrise ceremony, lifting the pwaagan for our people and our community and our nations across Turtle Island to join in a united prayer, voice. We will have breakfast available, lunch available, supper available, and 4 talking circles throughout the day to have a place for those wanting to talk, listen, and/or share. See the agenda below:

AGENDA SUNDAY JULY 9, 2017

4:30 am	Gathering for lighting of Sacred Fire, Sunrise Ceremony/Pipe, and Sharing Circle.
9:00 am	Breakfast
10:00 am	Sharing Circle
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Sharing Circle
5:00 pm	Supper
6:00 pm	Sharing Circle
8:00 pm	Sweat Lodge Ceremony (optional)

For any more information, contact Conrad Ritchie, Building Healthy Communities Coordinator via facebook, or at the health Centre 519 797 3336.