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Resolution PLN

From: Angela Carter Redacted

**Sent:** Friday, July 16, 2021 2:39 PM **To:** cityclerk@princegeorge.ca>

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Hadih,

I would like to request a resolution with the City, please see below:

"THAT, the City of Prince George supports the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust from Positive Living North, for a grant of up to \$46,890 for the Indigenous Counsellor Position from the "Northern Healthies Community Fund Account."

To be included on the July 26<sup>th</sup> council meeting agenda, we would need to have the letter before end of day Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. If this timeline is not feasible, the next council meeting is scheduled for August 16<sup>th</sup>.

Please reach out if you have any questions.

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Snachailya, (Meegwetch/Thank you)

Angela Carter, MEd (She/Her/They)

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**Executive Director** 



I would like to acknowledge that I have the privilege of living and working on the unceded lands of the Lheidli T'enneh



## Positive Living North: No khēyoh t'sih'en t'sehena Society

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July 20, 2021

City Council City of Prince George 1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC V2L 3V9, Canada

Dear Council members,

We are an Aboriginal AIDS Service Organization (ASO) proven record of innovation, responsiveness, and commitment to all Northern residents. In response to the scope of the HIV epidemic in our community, we continue to provide support to people living with HIV/AIDS/HCV (PHAs) and address the greater need for prevention and education services.

We identify as an Aboriginal organization and have 90% of the members we serve are Indigenous. Our service delivery is for all people. However, we provide programming and services to anyone living with, affected by, or at risk for HIV/AIDS/HCV, regardless of race, gender, or sexual orientation. As an Aboriginal organization, we provide services through an Aboriginal lens.

I am writing this letter to ask for your assistance with a new job position that Positive Living North (PLN) has applied for funding for. We are hoping to hire an Indigenous Counsellor that would work at PLN for one day a week, starting in September until March 31st, 2022.

The purpose of the new position is to have an Indigenous Counsellor onsite to work with our members. During covid, we have seen an influx in people accessing services. We plan to hire a counselor with Indigenous safety who knows Residential schools and the intergenerational effects that have impacted many of our members. The Indigenous Counsellor would be responsible for providing support, counseling, case management, and group work services to members.

It is the role of an Indigenous Counsellor to enable clients to set and achieve realistic goals as determined themselves. The position collaborates with the Positive Living North to promote the healing and recovery of Indigenous, Metis, and non-Indigenous clients through an Indigenous lens.



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We are directly impacted by seeing an over-representation of Indigenous people overdosing having an indigenous counselor would provide healing with an understanding of intergenerational trauma counseling to help overcome grief and loss.

All my relations,

If you have any further questions, and or concerns, please call me at your earliest convenience.

All my relations,

## Angela Carter

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