

Michipicoten First Nation Community Trust

2025 Benefit Programs

As provided for in the Michipicoten First Nation Community Trust Agreement, the Michipicoten First Nation Community Trust (MFNCT) is offering benefit programs to all Members of Michipicoten First Nation in the areas of education, health and home maintenance assistance for the 2025 Fiscal Year.

Each Member is eligible to apply for monetary benefits under ONE (1) program during the period beginning January 1, 2025 and ending November 28, 2025. Any applications received after November 28, 2025 will not be reviewed. Benefits not collected from the 2024 Fiscal Year will not carry forward to 2025. All programs will be administered on a first come, first serve basis.

The disbursement of benefits will be approved at the following MFNCT Board Meetings: **August 8, 2025 & December 8, 2025**. Benefits will be made payable by cheque within one month following approval.

All requests for benefits must be received in writing with the following information:

- **Applicant's Name**
- **Date of Birth**
- **Status Number**
- **Mailing Address**
- **Phone Number**
- **Name of Program**
- **Supporting documents required by the program**

Distribution of benefits will be limited to \$115,000 for the 2025 fiscal year to remain within budget limitations. Once this amount has been distributed, all programs will be closed. The total amount distributed will be allocated in the following proportions:

- \$5,000 to Membership Event Sponsorship Program
- \$6,000 to High School Graduation Incentive Program
- \$10,000 to Post Secondary Education Incentive Program
- \$74,000 to Home Maintenance Program & Health Promotion Program
- \$20,000 to MFNCT Annual General Meeting

Membership Event Sponsorship Program

Program Outline: Any community event (limited to Michipicoten, Wawa & Sault Ste. Marie) that is hosted/coordinated and/or facilitated by Michipicoten Members and is primarily held to benefit Membership in the areas of education, health, culture and community is eligible to receive sponsorship up to a maximum of \$5,000. This program is not intended to sponsor groups to attend conferences or training sessions. *Provided for under section 11.4 (c), (d), (g), (o) of the Trust Agreement.*

Supporting Documentation Required: Along with the written request to the MFNCT, the applicant must provide an outline of the community event specifying: (1) the number of members anticipated to attend, (2) the nature/purpose of the event and how it relates to education, health, culture and community, (3) the amount of funds requested, and (4) identification of what the funds will be used for.

High School Graduation Incentive Program

Program Outline: Each Member who has successfully graduated from a Secondary Institution in the 2024-2025 school year is eligible to receive \$500. *Provided for under section 11.4 (d) of the Trust Agreement.*

Supporting Documentation Required: Along with the written request to the MFNCT, you must provide your 2024-2025 Term 1 & Term 2 report cards or high school transcripts and a copy of your High School Diploma.

Post Secondary Education Incentive

Program Outline: Each Member who is registered in an accredited Post Secondary Institution for 2024-2025 (September 2024 to April 2025) and has successfully completed their first term in the fall/winter of 2023 and is enrolled in the 2025 winter/spring semester is eligible to receive a payment of \$500. This program is payable for **March 22, 2025**.

Supporting Documentation Required: Along with the written request to the MFNCT, you must provide a copy of your first term report card indicating you have successfully completed your course load and proof of course registration for the second term.

Home Maintenance Assistance Program

Program Outline: Each Member who has incurred an expense to maintain their home is eligible to receive \$200.00. *Provided for under section 11.4 (b) of the Trust Agreement.*

Supporting Documentation Required: Along with the written request to the MFNCT, you must provide receipts to verify that you have incurred an expense to maintain your home. Receipts for the purchase of utilities, heating fuel, materials, labour, etc. will be acceptable.

Health Promotion Program

Program Outline: Each Member who has incurred an expense related to health or has participated in an activity that promotes health is eligible to receive \$200.00.

Supporting Documentation Required: Along with the written request to the MFNCT, you must provide receipts to verify that you have incurred an expense to support or maintain your health. Receipts for the purchase of health devices, medication, gym membership, recreational sports, food, etc. will be acceptable. *Provided for under section 11.4 (g) of the Trust Agreement.*

How to submit your claim:

Submissions can be made by fax, email or mail. Please forward your claim information to the MFNCT Administration Office;



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