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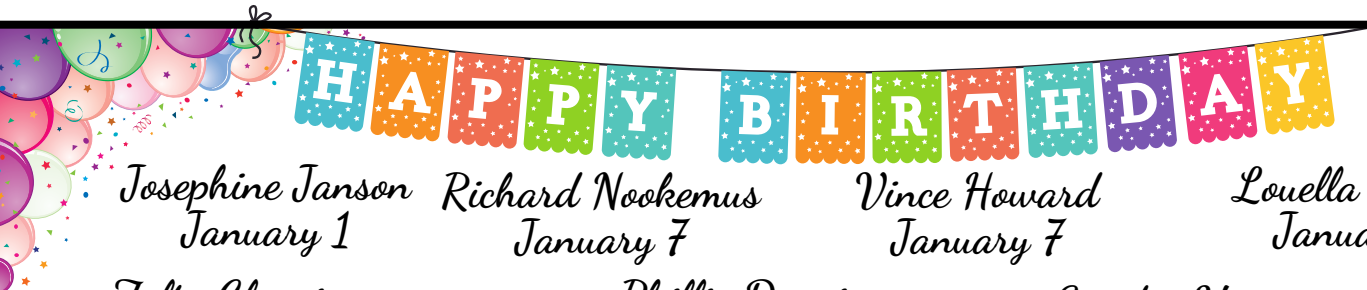
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You are invited!

Huu-ay-aht First Nations
Economic Development Plan Summit

Friday, January 24, 2025
3:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Anacla, House of Huu-ay-aht



*Based on Anacla Citizen data base list

Josephine Janson
January 1

Richard Nookemus
January 7

Vince Howard
January 7

Louella Dennis
January 8

Zelta Clappis
January 12

Phillip Dennis
January 15

Sandra Young
January 21

Anne Robinson
January 27

Lyle Dennis
January 30



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Press Release Huu-ay-aht Executive Council Approves

Continued Closure of Ancient Village of Kiix̣in

Anacla, B.C. – December 19, 2024 - The Huu-ay-aht Executive Council passed a motion on Thursday, December 19, confirming that the Ancient Village of Kiix̣in will remain closed to the public. This decision includes the temporary suspension of Kiix̣in Tours, which had been offered both privately and by the Nation, until further notice.

Huu-ay-aht is actively working on an exciting new research and development initiative aimed at enhancing and reimagining the Kiix̣in Tours experience. Over the years, Kiix̣in has operated under the Huu-ay-aht Economic Development Department, and the temporary closure in 2024 has provided an opportunity to focus on capacity building and long-term strategic planning.

As the Nation looks ahead to 2025, Huu-ay-aht remains committed to creating a sustainable and enriched Kiix̣in Tours program. In collaboration with Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses and Legacy Tourism Group, the Nation is conducting comprehensive studies to ensure the preservation of this National Historic Site while enhancing the cultural and educational experience for future visitors.

The public is reminded that access to Kiix̣in remains restricted without explicit permission from Huu-ay-aht. Unauthorized tours or activities at Kiix̣in are strictly prohibited. The Nation will not assume responsibility for any accidents, damages, or liabilities arising from unauthorized access or actions.

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Huu-ay-aht Schedule

January 2025

Sun., Jan. 19	Culture Night	2:30 - 5:30 P.M.	House of Huu-ay-aht Anacla
Tues., Jan. 21	Online Seminars hosted by Kerri Isham	12 - 3 P.M.	Zoom
Thurs., Jan. 23	Community Kitchen	2:30 - 5 P.M.	House of Huu-ay-aht Anacla
Fri., Jan 24	Economic Development Summit	3:30 - 6:30 P.M.	House of Huu-ay-aht Anacla & Zoom
Sun., Jan 26	Culture Night	2:30 - 5:30 P.M.	3747 Church St., Port Alberni
Thurs., Jan. 30	Community Kitchen	4 - 6 P.M.	House of Huu-ay-aht Anacla
Thurs., Jan. 30	Executive Council Meeting	10 A.M.	Anacla Government Office/Zoom

NTC Health Department in Anacla: January

Monday

January 20, & 27
- Child & youth Mental Health Worker, Pam
- Child & Youth Mental Health Worker, Tamiko

Wednesday

January 15
- Quu?asa, Irene Q
- Clinical Nurse Leader, Marion

Thursday

January 16
- Cultural Support, Lee
- Child & Youth Mental Health Counsellor, Leah

Wednesday

January 22
- Homecare, Claudette
- Clinical Nurse Leader, Marion
- Nurse Navigator, Linda/Foodcare, Vanessa
- Quu?asa, Ann

Thursday

January 23
- Clinical Councilor, Irene C
- Cultural Support, Lee
- Early Years Outreach Worker, Debbie

Wednesday

January 29
- Quu?asa, Irene R
- Clinical Nurse Leader, Marion
- Dietitian

Thursday

January 30
- Clinical Council, Irene C
- Quu?asa, Ann
- Child & Youth Mental Health Counsellor, Leah
- Harm Reduction, Kaytlen

WE ARE HIRING

JOIN THE TEAM!



TENANT SUPPORT WORKER

- **Location:** ʔumʔiiqsu (Oomiiqsu) Centre (Port Alberni).
- **Salary:** $60,000 - $80,000 per year
- **Hours:** 25.5 – 42.5 hours per week

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

The key accountabilities for this job include ensuring a safe living environment for mothers and children while offering a range of prevention-focused support services through culturally sensitive and trauma-informed practices. The role involves providing direct support to help mothers achieve personal goals and assisting them in resolving concerns identified by relevant child and family agencies. Additionally, responsibilities include group facilitation, intensive parenting support, conflict resolution, and crisis management.

COUNSELLOR

- Full-time
- Location: Port Alberni and Anacla (Bamfield) Government Offices
- Salary: $68,000 - $82,000
- **Application Deadline:** January 31, at 4 P.M.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

This Counselling position offers therapeutic support, crisis intervention, and mental health counselling to Huu-ay-aht citizens of all ages. Responsibilities include assisting with substance use treatment, family communication, and after-care plans, as well as providing one-on-one and group therapy, and maintaining case files.

MAIL AND DELIVERY PERSON

- Part-time
- **Location:** Anacla Government Office
- **Hourly pay:** $25 - $30
- **Application Deadline:** January 27, at 4 P.M.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

The mail and delivery person will be responsible for picking up Anacla Community and Huu-ay-aht First Nations Government mail and packages, sorting the mail, and distributing it to the appropriate mailboxes in upper and lower Anacla. In addition to mail delivery, the person will be responsible for managing the database for citizen mailboxes and key distribution.

ʔUMʔIIQSU CENTRE

SEND YOUR COVER LETTER AND RESUME TO:

hr@huuayaht.org

CONTACT

250-728-3414

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JANUARY 2025
COMMUNITY CALENDAR





Bamfield
Community School
Association

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
5	**6** Back to School!	**7** Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**8** Yoga with Aneri BCS ~ 5:15 - 6:15 pm	**9** Warriors Anacla ~ 4:30 - 7:30 pm Adult Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**10** Friday Night Chill BCS ~ 7 - 9:30 pm	**11**
12 Community Potluck HOH ~ 5 pm	**13** NTC Youth Art Studio HOH ~ 3 - 5:30 pm Adult Dodgeball BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	**14** After School Club BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**15** Yoga with Aneri BCS ~ 5:15 - 6:15 pm	**16** After School Club BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Warriors Anacla ~ 4:30 - 7:30 pm Adult Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**17**	**18**
19 	**20** Non-Instructional Day, No Classes BCSA Field Trip: Trampoline Park! 9:30 am - 5:30 pm NTC Youth Art Studio HOH ~ 3 - 5:30 pm Bamfield Community Affairs Meeting Zoom ~ 6:30 pm Adult Volleyball BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	**21** After School Club BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**22** Yoga with Aneri BCS ~ 5:15 - 6:15 pm	**23** After School Club BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Warriors Anacla ~ 4:30 - 7:30 pm Adult Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**24** Huu-ay-aht First Nations Economic Development Public Engagement HOH ~ 3:30 - 6:30 pm	**25**
26 Family Literacy Week Begins!	**27** NTC Youth Art Studio HOH ~ 3 - 5:30 pm Adult Dodgeball BCS ~ 7 - 8:30 pm	**28** After School Club BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Adult Basketball HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**29** Great Big Buddy Read! BCS ~ 12:45 - 1:15 pm Creativity Club BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Yoga with Aneri BCS ~ 5:15 - 6:15 pm	**30** After School Club BCS ~ 3 - 4:30 pm Warriors Anacla ~ 4:30 - 7:30 pm Family Games Night BCS ~ 5:30 - 7:30 pm Adult Hockey HOH ~ 7:30 - 9:30 pm	**31**	**1**



Monday Night Drop-in Sports

7:00 - 8:30 pm at the Community School

Drop-in fees (**$5 per player**) help to fund our children's programming.
10-session punch cards are available for $50, and can also be used for yoga.
Thank you for your contribution!

Ages 15+, teens play free.

In January

- **Jan 13 - Dodgeball**
- **Jan 20 - Volleyball**
- **Jan 27 - Dodgeball**

In February

- **Feb 3 - Badminton**
- **Feb 10 - Dodgeball**
- **Feb 17 - Holiday! No Sports.**
- **Feb 24 - Indoor Soccer**

In March

- **Mar 3 - Dodgeball**
- **Mar 10 - Volleyball**
- **Mar 17 - Dodgeball**
- **Mar 24 - Badminton**
- **Mar 31 - Dodgeball**

ANACLA COMMUNITY KITCHEN

THURSDAYS, JANUARY 23 & 30
&
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

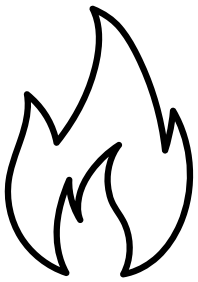
4 - 6 P.M. AT THE HOUSE OF HUU-AY-AHT



To sign-up, please contact:

Kristen Young
kristen.y@huuayaht.org
250-728-3414

Please join us to gain experience in meal planning, cooking, and sharing.



IMPORTANT NOTICE
Tree falling and slash burning has started!

Site clearing for the Cultural Center began on Wednesday, January 13, 2025. This first phase is the preparation for the building and will have tree falling, and slash burning along with road building. The site will be located between Anacla and Bamfield on Huu-ay-aht First Nations (HFN) Treaty Settlement Lands beside the community forest. The entrance for the site will have advanced warning for vehicle and pedestrian traffic as outlined by Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

This phase could last until mid to late January 2025 depending on the site. HFN expects to do as minimal burning as possible and will follow the Burn Index guidelines provided by the Province .

The project itself will have an expected completion date of March 2026.

If you have questions or concerns please contact projectmanager@huuayaht.org or call 1-250-735-7837.

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Patient Travel

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Due to some changes in the eligibility for accessing Medical Patient Travel
We will require the following documentation upon a Patient Travel request.

For regular appointments to the nearest provider (3-5 days to process)

Check list:

- Confirmation of appointment
- Confirmation of travel arrangements
- Confirmation of attendance, once visit is complete

Transportation

- Standard mode of transportation is by private vehicle and mileage rates
- Francis Barclay is not an approved mode of transportation, if it is the only way to and from Medical appointments, will then need to do as a Benefit Exception to FNHA for approval (5-7 days to process)
- Taxi Service will need to be submitted as a Benefit Exception to FNHA for approval (5-7 days to process)

For Specialists or Service Providers outside of the nearest provider (5-7 days to process)

Check list

- Confirmation of appointment
- Referral to the Specialist from your General Practitioner, Dentist or Optometrist
- If not nearest provider please note that we will be submitting to FNHA for approval though the Benefit Exception process (5-7 day process)
- Confirmation of travel arrangements
- Confirmation of attendance , once visit is complete.

Dental

- Dentist appointments are considered a day trip, please book appointments to allow time to get to and from in one day.
- If referred to a Oral Specialist you will need to send appointment confirmation and referral so we can do a Benefit Exception to FNHA for approval

Please contact Kimberly Nookemus, kimberly.n@huuayaht.org, or anyone from the Health team, 250-728-3414, to ensure all information is given correctly and plans are in place.

Patient Travel & Direct Deposit

Did you know Patient Travel funds can be sent through EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)?

If you're interested in using this service, please provide your Direct Deposit form from your bank to Finance. If your Direct Deposit form is already on file for another purpose, please inform the Finance Department, 250-723-0100, that you would like it to be used for this service as well.

For all other Patient Travel inquires, please contact Kimberly at kimberly.n@huuayaht.org or 250-728-3414

Income Assistance Notice

Community members who need to apply for Income Assistance or renew as a client of the program have the following responsibilities (Section 1.3 of Income Assistance Policy)

•To conduct themselves in a prompt, courteous and respectful manner.
•To actively seek work and attend programs, training and sessions as directed.
•If employable, to actively seek work. Clients must be available for any job they are capable of.
•To have or promptly apply for a social insurance number and to provide the appropriate identification for themselves and other family members as required.
•To provide all necessary information to the Social Development Worker and sign the application form.
•To pursue any other income that they may be entitled to, for example, employment insurance benefits, workers compensation, family maintenance, or spousal support.
•To first use any assets and income before seeking assistance from the Income Assistance Program.
•To take personal responsibility for becoming self-supporting.
•To be involved in the process of establishing eligibility for their benefits.
•To provide documentation to support their application when requested. All documentation is subject to verification. Clients providing false information will be subject to criminal charges.
Clients who meet any of the following criteria are not eligible for IA benefits: (Section 2.2 of Income Assistance Policy)

Healthy, employable, able-bodied persons between 19 and 55 years, who do not seek employment or accept available suitable employment, education, or training.

a.Persons who quit work, except with just cause.
b.People who are terminated from their job because they did not comply with reasonable job requirements (for example, by not showing up for work).
c.People who do not apply for Employment Insurance (EI) benefits, or who are disqualified from EI benefits because they failed to comply with program requirements.
d.A person who receives an unforeseen fortune or substantial monetary gain.
e.People who do not submit Monthly Renewal Forms as required.
f.Persons with monthly income or assets more than the allowable maximum (see 2.5, Income and Exemptions).

2025 payment schedule

~~January 15, 2025 (for February 2025)~~
February 19, 2025 (for March 2025)
March 19, 2025 (for April 2025)
April 16, 2025 (for May 2025)
May 21, 2025 (for June 2025)
June 25, 2025 (for July 2025)
July 23, 2025 (for August 2025)
August 27, 2025 (for September 2025)
September 24, 2025 (for October 2025)
October 22, 2025 (for November 2025)
November 19, 2025 (for December 2025)
December 17, 2025 (for January 2026)

HUU-AY-AHT CULTURE NIGHTS

PORT ALBERNI
3747 CHURCH ST.
2:30 - 5 P.M.

Sunday, January 26

ANACLA
HOUSE OF HUU-AY-AHT
2:30 - 5 P.M.

Sunday, January 19

There is transportation available for Anacla and Port Alberni residents, to and from Anacla and Port Alberni. Seats are limited. Priority will go to elders, singers, and dancers. Please contact Mel no later then Thursdays at 250-723-0100 or mel.e@huuayaht.org to secure your seat.

Online Seminars Hosted by Kerri Isham

These online seminars are being offered to support parents in discussing sensitive topics of sexuality with their children. Child and Family Wellness are organizing these dates. To register or for more information, please contact Christine Pearson at christine.p@huuayaht.org or 250-723-0100

6 must have conversations with your (pre) teen

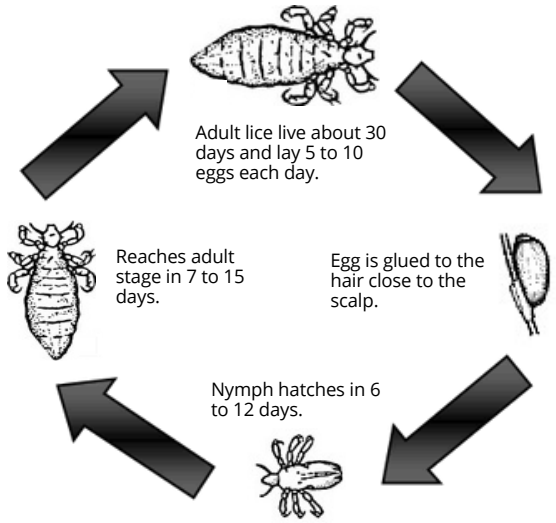
Tuesday, January 21, 2025
12 - 3 p.m.
Online
RSVP by Friday, January 17, at 4 p.m.

Healing and Resiliency

Thursday, February 13, 2025
12 - 3 p.m.
Online
RSVP by Monday, February 10, at 4 p.m.

HOW TO GET RID OF HEAD LICE
WET COMBING

LIFECYCLE OF THE HEAD LOUSE



HEAD LICE FACTS

- Lice are tiny insects about the size of a sesame seed.
- Anyone with hair can get head lice.
- Lice do not have wings and cannot fly or jump.
- Lice move quickly in dry hair and this makes them hard to see.
- Lice do not live long once they are off the head. They only lay eggs close to the scalp.
- Having head lice does not always make the scalp itchy.
- Lice commonly move to other heads when heads touch and rarely by sharing hairbrushes and combs.
- Lice are common where children play or work closely together.
- Once a lice egg has hatched, the empty eggshell stays stuck to the hair.
- If you find an eggshell more than half an inch away from the scalp, it is most likely empty.
- The eggshells are white and look like dandruff but cannot be brushed or blown away.

WHEN TO CHECK

- **Regularly ONCE A WEEK after shampooing**
- If your child's playmates have head lice
- When a family member has head lice
- When a person is scratching his or her head more than usual

WHAT YOU NEED

- Shampoo and white-coloured conditioner (low-priced is fine)
- Wide-tooth comb to untangle hair Towels
- and paper towels Lice comb – we
- recommend a narrow comb with fine teeth and slanted tips, such as a "Bug Busting" comb, that makes it easier to remove lice.
- Lice combs are available at many Public Health Units and pharmacies.

Lice shampoo is available at the local Health Clinic!

HOW TO CHECK FOR LICE



1. Wash and rinse hair.
2. Put enough conditioner on the hair to cover the whole scalp (usually about 2 handfuls).
3. Use a wide-toothed comb to get tangles out.
4. Begin combing the head carefully with the lice comb. While you are combing over the head, **keep the teeth of the comb touching the scalp at all times.**
5. Checking can be done with the head forward over the sink, combing from the back of the head to the front, or from a sitting position going from the front of the head to the back.
6. Pull the comb through the hair in one stroke. If the comb tugs, add more conditioner.
7. After each stroke, wipe the comb on a paper towel and look for lice.
8. Make sure to comb the entire head, checking for lice after each stroke.

If you find any lice, move onto the treatment process.

IF YOU FIND LICE

- Hats, pillowcases, combs and hairbrushes that have had contact with the head in the previous 2 days could be considered for cleaning in hot soapy water.
- Clean the supplies that you used for checking for lice in hot soapy water.
- You **DO NOT** need to spend time cleaning the house.

Use this chart to keep track of the days (shaded areas) that you need to comb and condition.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

TREATMENT (IF YOU FIND LICE)

1. With the conditioner still on, pull the comb through the hair in one stroke from the front to the back of the head. Keep the teeth in contact with the scalp for the entire stroke.
2. After each stroke, rinse the comb in warm water. Check the comb for lice before you pull it through the hair again to make sure you do not put lice back onto the head.
3. Keep combing over the entire head until you find no more lice.
4. Rinse the hair to remove conditioner. Leave the hair wet.
5. Untangle the hair with a wide-tooth comb to take out the knots.
6. Comb the whole head again with a lice comb, rinsing the comb after each stroke to make sure there are no more lice.
7. Keep repeating the steps **every 4 days for a full two weeks** to make sure that new lice are removed as the eggs hatch.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14

8. If lice are found on the fourth combing, add one more combing in 4 days.

For more information, contact your local Health Unit:

www.viha.ca/locations/health_units/

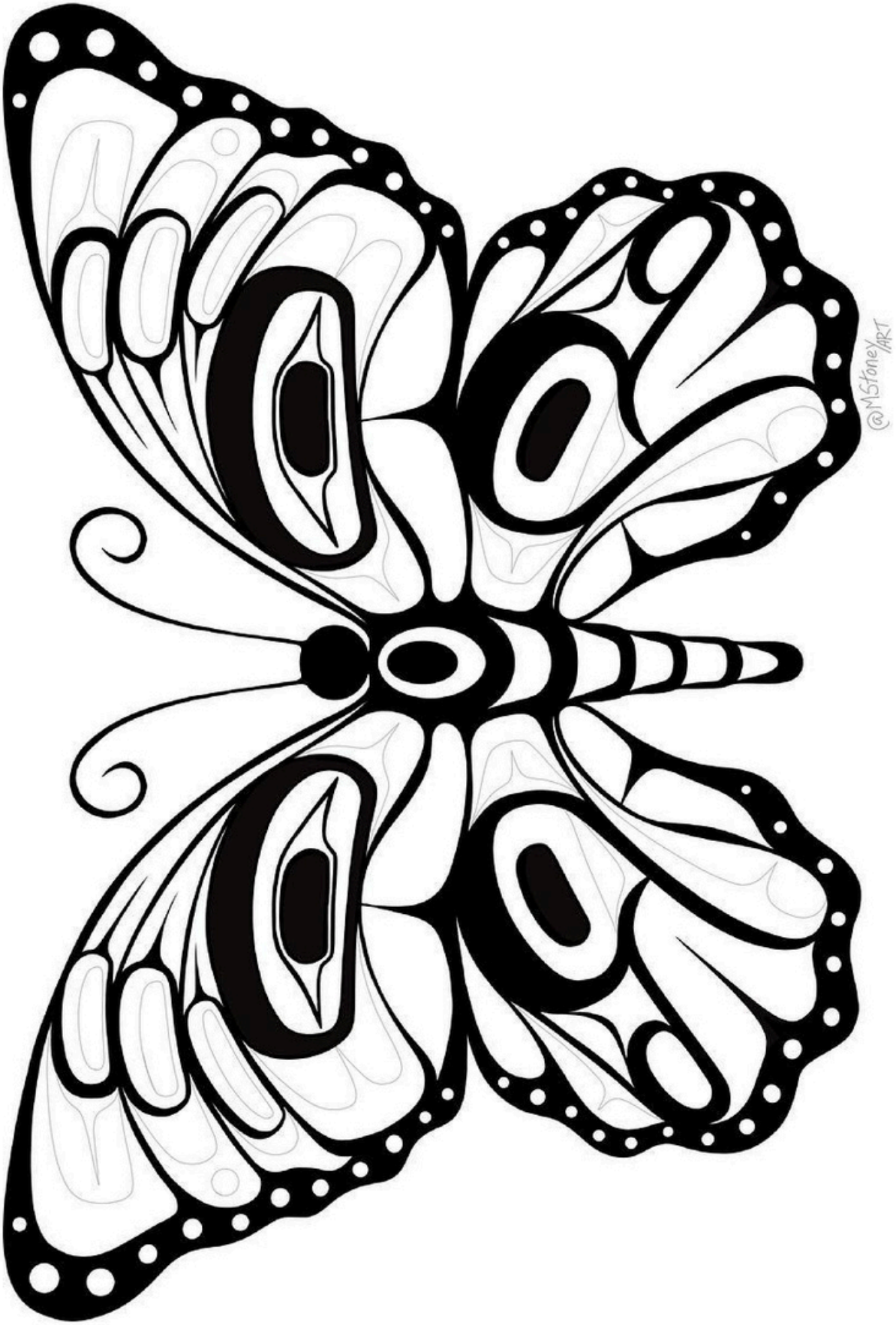
Child, Youth and Family Community Health
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Huu-ay-aht First Nations would like to remind citizens and visitors that our government offices are a bully and harassment free environment.

This kind of behaviour will not be tolerated and we kindly ask that our staff are treated with ʔiisaak (Greater respect).

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