

Deepening Relationships with Indigenous Catholic Women

PREAMBLE

We are called to give life to the apology from Pope Francis in his recent visit to Canada and to build on the theme *Walking Together*. The national executive of The Catholic Women's League of Canada is looking for ways to connect with Indigenous CWL sisters. To this end, League members are asked to complete this short survey.

1. Name of Provincial Council

2. Name of Diocesan Council

DEMOGRAPHICS

The next set of questions are designed to seek input from Indigenous members. Please answer "yes" if you identify as Indigenous. If you answer "no" please skip questions 4-14.

3. Do you identify as Indigenous?

- Yes No

4. Please select the group you associate with.

- First Nations Metis
 Non-Status Inuit
 Other (please specify) _____
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5. Overall, how satisfied are you with the support you receive from your parish council?

- Very satisfied Dissatisfied
 Satisfied Very dissatisfied
 Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

6. Overall, how satisfied are you with the support you receive from the CWL as a whole?

- Very satisfied Dissatisfied
 Satisfied Very dissatisfied
 Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

7. As Indigenous, I feel a sense of belonging in my parish council.

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| <input type="radio"/> Strongly agree | <input type="radio"/> Disagree |
| <input type="radio"/> Agree | <input type="radio"/> Strongly disagree |
| <input type="radio"/> Neither agree nor disagree | |

8. Please suggest ways for councils to become familiar with Indigenous spiritualities and cultures, and provide contacts or written documents you feel would assist with this activity.

9. Would you be willing to provide information and/or resources to national council to educate and explore Indigenous cultures? If you answer yes, please provide your contact information at the end of the survey.

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| <input type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No |
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10. Do you feel you could be a resource personally? If yes, please include your contact information at the end of the survey.

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| <input type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No |
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11. As a CWL member, can you suggest resources for parish councils to become aware of and learn from Indigenous cultures?

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| <input type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No |
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12. As a CWL member, can you suggest ways the CWL could be more inclusive of Indigenous sisters:

At the parish level?

At diocesan, provincial and national levels?

13. How much have you been involved in your parish council?

- A great deal
- A lot
- A moderate amount
- A little
- None at all

14. Are you aware of Indigenous CWL members in your parish council?

- Yes
- No

15. How many Indigenous members are you aware of in your parish council?

- 10 or more
- 5-9
- less than 5
- unsure

16. Are you aware of an Indigenous community in your area?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

17. Approximately how many kilometers away is the Indigenous community in your area?
(Answer must be a number.) _____

18. How has your council explored the 94 calls to action in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission findings?

- read the calls to action at meetings
- implemented a territorial land acknowledgement before meetings and events
- invited an Indigenous speaker to share her experiences as an Indigenous woman in Canada
- wrote letters to stakeholders identified in the calls to action to urge them to respond to the call
- held prayer services for reconciliation and healing
- promoted awareness of Indigenous cultures, languages, spiritualities and traditions
- participated in events or initiatives with Indigenous communities
- promoted participation in the 2022 papal visit to Canada
- Other (please specify):

19. Other comments:

20. If you are comfortable, please provide your name, telephone number and email address.

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____