

Who Are We?

Miskanawah is an Indigenous non-profit organization that has offered services and supports for children, youth, and families in the Calgary area for over 30 years. All of our offerings are grounded in Indigenous teachings and traditions.

Our Mission:

Guided by Indigenous teachings, Miskanawah offers evidence-informed, supportive services to people in the Calgary area as they strengthen their circles of self, family, community, and culture.

Our Vision:

Children, youth and families thrive within a culturally responsive community.

Our Values:

Culture, Community, Respect and Trust

Childcare is available during most on-site programming.

To access programs, or to find out more, contact Care Connectors at either Hub.

Tawaw West:

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403-247-5003

Tawaw East:

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Offered in partnership with:

Awo Taan Healing Lodge Society -
www.awotaan.org

Métis Calgary Family Services - mcfs.ca

Catholic Family Services - www.cfs-ab.org



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TAWAW

FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORKS

Tawaw (Ta-wow):
"Welcome, we've made space for you here" in Cree



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What are the Tawaw Family Resource Networks (FRNs)?

Family Resource Networks (FRNs) are funded by the Government of Alberta to offer families community connection and support in building individual, family and community wellness

- Miskanawah operates two FRN “Hubs” in the city; Tawaw West Tawaw East. Both Hubs link families to the specialized programming provided by the “Spokes”

Tawaw East: 2716 Sunridge Way NE, Calgary AB, T1Y 0A5

Tawaw West: 2340 1 Ave. NW, Calgary AB, T2N 0B8

- The Tawaw FRN Hubs offer a warm, family-friendly environment where people can drop-in to connect with each other, culture, and community supports
- Programming is offered to families with children, and youth aged 0-18 years
- Families can be referred, self-refer or drop-in to seek supports
- Programming is open to all who wish to connect with supports grounded in Indigenous teachings and culture

What Do We Offer? FRN Programs (Spokes)

Indigenous Home Visitation (East & West)

- In-home supports for families with children aged 0-6
- Strengthens family connection to cultural supports and community
- Helps build parental capacity and awareness of child's development

Indigenous Cultural Support (East & West)

- Offers connection to culturally relevant supports (Elders, cultural community events, ceremony) for all ages
- Traditional Medicine Harvesting; Cree & Blackfoot Language Class
- Cultural offerings are ongoing and change often

AAWAAKSITOWATA “Early Childhood Paths of Life” - Early Intervention Team (East & West)

- Group and one-on-one parenting supports offered for parents and caregivers with young children
- Youth life-skills supports offered
- Cultural supports are offered through program activities

Rapid Access Counselling (East & West)

- Rapid-access, on-site counselling for parents and families
- Offered through Catholic Family Services

Grand Mother Turtle (East)

- Culturally safe early development programming for Indigenous children 0-6 years and their parents, grandparents, and other significant caregivers
- Offered through Awo Taan Healing Lodge Society

Culturally Informed Youth Well-Being Program (East)

- Culturally safe and trauma-informed child and youth development programming for Indigenous children and youth ages 7-18 years and their parents, grandparents, and other significant caregivers
- Offered through Awo Taan Healing Lodge Society

Ke Mama Nnanik – Our Mother Earth Parent and Child Development Program (West)

- Weekly group parent and child development activities with peer support, mentoring, Elders and direct one-on-one supports. Open to all urban Aboriginal families with young children
- Offered through Métis Calgary Family Services