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# City of London - City of London Diversity, Race Relations and Inclusivity Award - Nomination Form

## Section 1 - Information of Youth/Group/Organization Being Nominated

Name of Youth, Group or Organization you are nominating: **group comprises 4 indigenous elders [Gloria Thomson, Tracey Whiteye, Tina Stevens, Mary Ann Kechego] and 3 non-indigenous women (Sister Kathleen Lichti, Jacqueline Fraser, Rosy Pellerin). Prior to March 2020 when the global pandemic started, we were conducting multiple in-person public and private Kairos Blanket Exercise sessions across London. Since going online from January 2022, we have continued educating Canadians about our nation's true history with the indigenous communities in Can**

Address of Nominee (please include City, as well as postal code): **London Indigenous Teaching & Sharing Circles [LITS Circles]**

Nominee Phone #: **519-453-3198**

Nominee E-mail address: **huronheightscommunity@gmail.com for Jacqueline Fraser**

Category (check one): **Social/Community services (49 or fewer)**

## Section 2 - Initiative Information

What is the initiative this group/organization implemented?: **Education by a group of women ,group comprises 4 indigenous elders [Gloria Thomson, Tracey Whiteye, Tina Stevens, Mary Ann Kechego] and 3 non-indigenous women (Sister Kathleen Lichti, Jacqueline Fraser, Rosy Pellerin).**

When did this initiative take place? (eg. Spring 2023): **Prior to March 2020 when the global pandemic started, the team was conducting multiple in-person public and private Kairos Blanket Exercise sessions across London. Since going online from January 2022, they have continued educating Canadians about our**

## **nation's true history with the indigenous communities in Can**

Do you know which key department(s) or committees were involved? If yes, please name: **indigenous community and allies/ education/ truth and reconciliation**

Key people involved: **4 indigenous elders [Gloria Thomson, Tracey Whiteye, Tina Stevens, Mary Ann Kehego] and 3 non-indigenous women (Sister Kathleen Lichti, Jacqueline Fraser, Rosy Pellerin]**

Brief description of initiative: **education of our history in Canada from the perspective of indigenous women and non-indigenous educators**

How has the initiative contributed to the promotion of diversity, race relations, inclusivity and human rights in London and promoting London as a welcoming city?: **the team in its diversity has reached to indigenous, metis, non-indigenous , addressed women issues, poverty, human rights**

What short or long-term impact has/will the initiative have on the promotion of diversity, race relations, inclusivity and human rights in London and promoting London as a welcoming city?: **the outcome of the session is more educated people about our true history as a country, more advocates and much larger than London Ontario, but across the province, even between provinces continued educating Canadians about our nation's true history with the indigenous communities in Canada. They have expanded the presentation topics, to now focus on various issues and aspects of indigenous community living, cultural practices and beliefs, ongoing issues, and philosophies.**

What is the potential for expansion and/or inspiration for replication of the initiative?: **the program is still engaged and active, one of the few for indigenous and non-indigenous together.**

How can receiving this Award be used to further promote diversity, race relations, inclusivity and human rights in London and to further promote London as a welcoming city?: **by receiving the award the team will be empowered to continue their excellent work, get more exposure, reach out to many more continued educating Canadians about our nation's true history with the indigenous communities in Canada. We have expanded our presentation topics, to now focus on various issues and aspects of indigenous community living, cultural practices and beliefs, ongoing issues, and philosophies.**

Do you wish to attach a document or photo in support of your nomination?:

Another document or photo?:

Another document or photo?:

Another document or photo?:

## **Section 3 - Nominator Information**

Your Name: **Marie-Antoinette Parisio**

Your Address (please include postal code):

Your Phone #:

Submitter E-mail:

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