



PATHWAYS EMERGENCY TRANSPORT FUND INFORMATION SHEET

The Community Incentive Fund (Office of the Prevention of Family Violence and Bullying) has made it possible for ACWS to implement the "Pathways On-Reserve Shelter Emergency Transport" initiative. The purpose of this program is to enable On-Reserve shelter staff to identify and meet the emergency transport needs of the women and children they serve.

A simple application form has been developed which is available from the ACWS office. A copy of this information sheet and the application forms are being provided to each ACWS member First Nations On-Reserve shelter Paid Manager and her Board Designate.

Shelters are asked to describe briefly the expense and why it constitutes an emergency. The situation must indicate the woman (and her dependents) will be in immediate danger unless removed from the shelter and the immediate area. As well, please show that the emergency transport need cannot be met through any other transport resources available to the shelter. In cases where mileage needs to be paid, the current ACWS rate of 40.5cents/kilometre will be used. Further, shelters need to ensure that the vehicle is insured and set up a safety plan for the driver and the woman (and children).

Shelters are asked to confirm that the expense need is urgent, complete the Emergency Transport Fund Application Form, and have it signed by both the shelter's financial staff person and the executive director. The shelter must provide a receipt to ACWS. Finally, the shelter will be reimbursed for emergency travel expenses within two weeks of providing ACWS with the documentation.

ACWS and the On-Reserve Shelter Executive Directors have agreed to review the implementation of the program within 3 months from start-up.