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# **Dilico Anishinabek Family Care and Children's Aid Society of the District of Thunder Bay grateful for Matt Murray donation**

**Large donation to help provide opportunities to children and youth in the area.**

**THUNDER BAY, ON** - Dilico Anishinabek Family Care (Dilico) and The Children's Aid Society of the District of Thunder Bay were excited with the announcement of Matt Murray's generous donation to the two local agencies. A further contribution by the Pittsburgh Penguins Foundation is also recognized and appreciated. These donations will see many local children and youth benefit.

Dilico Anishinabek Family Care will be allocating the donation to their foundation: Mazinaajim Children's Foundation. The funds will be used to provide recreational, educational, cultural and leadership opportunities to Anishinabek children and families.

Thunder Bay CAS will also be allocating the generous donation to their Foundation: The Children's Aid Foundation of the District of Thunder Bay. Funds will be used to further the advancement of music in a child's life as well as for other recreational or educational opportunities.

Together both agencies will ensure the funds are used to enhance the health and wellbeing of local children and youth.

"We are so happy that Matt Murray is giving back to our community in such a big way. This significant contribution will assist the Mazinaajim Children's Foundation to provide bursaries to indigenous children and youth to help them achieve their dreams." said Tana-Leigh Harty, President of Mazinaajim Children's Foundation.

"The Children's Aid Society and its Foundation are extremely grateful for the generous donation by Matt Murray and the Pittsburgh Penguin's Foundation. What a wonderful way to honour the

legacy of Matt's father, Mr. Jim Murray, and the significant contribution he made to the children, youth and families of our community. " said Bob Thompson, Foundation President.

Dilico is a First Nation governed organization with an integrated continuum of service which is comprised of the following services which are all made available in different capacities that include Health, Mental Health and Addictions, and Child Welfare. Dilico's Mikinaak Customary Care Service Model, services are culturally based with First Nations communities, families and extended families involved in ensuring a child's safety and well-being.

The Children's Aid Society of the District of Thunder Bay is a non-profit organization that provides child welfare services to the city of Thunder Bay and surrounding district. Our Mission being, in partnership with families and communities, we promote the safety and wellbeing of children and youth to help them reach their potential.

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