

CREATING A STRONG NETWORK FOR THE VICTIMS, WITNESSES AND THEIR FAMILY.

The Department of Justice and Correctional Services of the Cree Nation Government provides through their CAVAC officers a number of essential services, including referral, technical assistance, advice and information, to victims, witnesses and their family.



ASSISTING VICTIMS THROUGH REFERRALS

CAVAC officers ensure that clientele is referred when necessary to:

- post-trauma and/or psycho-social counselling or intervention
- specialized services such as the appropriate legal, medical, social and community resources.



MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

For greater accountability, the CAVAC uses a state-of-the-art management system to track its services.



ACCOMPANIMENT AND ASSISTANCE

CAVAC officers accompany the victims, witnesses and the families to court and/or through the judicial process. They can help the victims fill out the required forms to enable them to comply with all the formalities.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

CAVAC officers also give information to the victims, witnesses and their families on crime victims' rights and remedies to which they may be entitled.



RAISING AWARENESS

CAVAC officers intervene in communities to raise awareness of key problematics that are present in Eeyou Istchee, such as human trafficking, domestic abuse, lateral violence and Elder abuse.



TERRITORY

The three Cree CAVAC Officers serve the nine communities of Eeyou Istchee.



STRONG TIES WITH CREE WOMEN SHELTERS, THE CBHSSJB AND THE EEPF

The CAVAC offers just in time services based on strong collaboration with significant actors such as the police force [EPPF] and the Cree Board of Health [CBHSSJB], allowing for immediate referral to the most appropriate resource, such as a Cree women's shelter.



OUR CAVAC STAFF

In 2009, the Department of Justice and Correctional Services hired its first of eventually three CAVAC officers to deliver specialized services in Cree to crime victims or witnesses and to their family, regardless of whether the perpetrator of the crime has been identified, arrested, prosecuted, or convicted. The front-line services are free of charge and strictly confidential.



SHARING
 BELIEVE IN YOURSELF HUMILITY
 RESPECT HARMONY BE AWARE
 CULTURE EMPOWER RESPONSIBILITY
 EMPATHY UNDERSTANDING PEACE
 YOU BELONG HEALING LEARN
 LISTEN LIVE **CAVAC** COMMUNITY
 TOGETHER CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE CENTRE COURAGE
 GROW LOVE CREE VALUES FAMILY
 YOU MATTER HONESTY SPEAK OUT
 COMMUNICATE ENCOURAGE
 RECONCILIATION CARING
 COLLABORATE WISDOM

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