



TEWATOHNI'SAKTHA

KAHNAWÀ:KE'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Quarter 1 - April to June 2026



Upcoming Business Walk

On October 1st, the Tewatohnhi'saktha team will be hitting the road to visit local businesses. Our goal is simple: we want to listen, gather feedback, and really understand your current needs, challenges, and opportunities. Everything we learn will help us shape future programs, services, and support for the community.

The Business Walk 2026 offers an opportunity to business owners to communicate ideas and experiences directly with us. On October 1st, small teams will visit local businesses for a brief conversation and a short questionnaire. Participation is entirely voluntary, and as a token of our appreciation, every business that takes part will be entered into a raffle (prizes will be announced soon!).



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Business Grants Distributed in Q1



Tewatohnhi'saktha Business Contribution Fund

\$107,540.65



Professional Services Fund

\$15,559



Marketing Pro Fund

\$31,203



Business Assistance Fund

\$30,219



Shop Kahnawà:ke Certificates

\$12,630

11 Program Graduates

Graduated from	Now Employed
Graduated from PAB program at CVCEC x9	At KMHC
Completed Medical Device Reprocessing at ACCESS	At KMHC
Completed Welding at NOVA	Now employed at Sports and Recreation

5 Clients Received Services or Training

Clients who received training or services	Now Employed
Completed a work measure at McComber Fisheries	Full-Time at Super C as a Butcher
Job Search client	Employed at Sports and Recreation
Completed work measure at MCK	Employed at the MCK
Completed work measure at Step by Step	Now employed full-time
Mock interview	Hired at KSCS



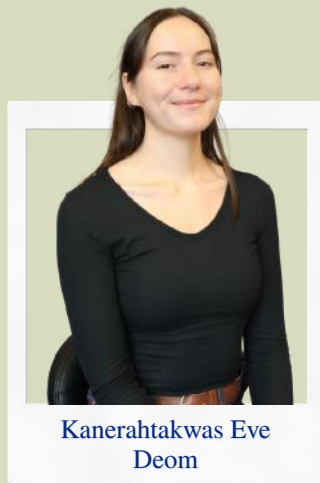
KSSEP

Kahnawà:ke Summer Student Employment Program

69 Approved Positions

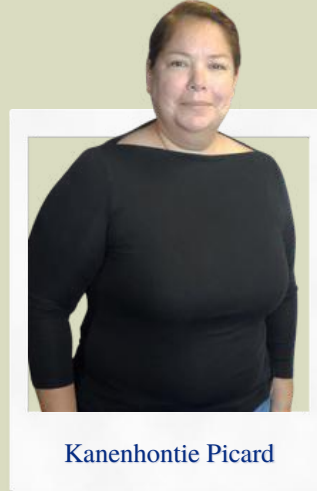
63 Jobs Filled





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*Workforce Development
Coordinator*



Kanenhontie Picard

*Interim Office & Facilities
Manager*



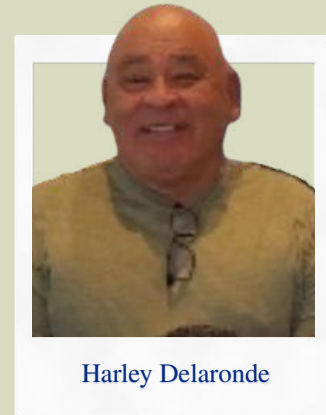
Carly Gilbert

Tourism Events Coordinator



Iotsitsanien Goodleaf

*Fixed Term Tourism Program
Operations Assistant*



Harley Delaronde

Fixed Term Tour Guide

KSSEP Students



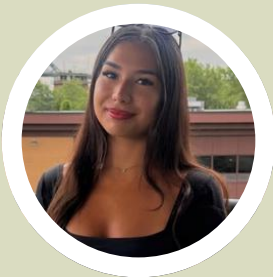
Tyler-Amy



Jordyn



Tota Ma's Cafe Summer Staff



Kaksatiio



Grace



Sha'nienhawe



Olivia



Jayla

Marketing Updates

The Heads Up logo was refreshed this quarter, and promotional items for Shop Kahnawà:ke, KSSEP, and Heads Up were sourced locally through STP Design & Print. The team collaborated with KSCS Communications on promotions and planning for Strawberry Fest, while also promoting the Transitions Program, and PATH Courses. Additionally, the last cohort for Builders of the Future was supported, and a new Vocational Application ad was shared to encourage community members to explore vocational training.



NEW Heads
Up logo



Strawberry
Food Fest





Kahnawà:ke Tourism Highlights

This quarter, Tourism welcomed several new team members including Ionkhinenhrí:ne' facilitators Olivia Rice and Jayla White, seasonal tour guide Harley Delaronde, student tour guide Zye Mayo, Tourism Clerk Grace Watatewennio Myiow, Event Coordinator Carly Gilbert, and Programs Assistant Iotsitsanien Goodleaf, along with four on-call reception staff, Pamela Stacey, Lisa Peterson, Laurie Jacobs, and Deborah Horn. Visitor activity remained strong with 18 guided group tours serving 489 visitors and 234 Welcome Center guests.

Kimberly Cross completed the FNEE Governance and Conflict Management Training, while the team participated in Cultural Awareness month, podcasts, and media interviews. Community highlights included the Strawberry Fest drawing over 700 visitors in collaboration with KSCS. A month-long Food Fest had 13 local businesses with strawberry dishes. Lastly, the Indigenous Culinary Program with Screaming Chef Cuisine had six participants. Key partnerships advanced through events like Rendez Vous Canada, the Montreal Summer Launch, and info booths at many festivals.



Ionkhinenhrí:ne' Photos

To stay connected with all of tourism's upcoming events and initiatives, sign up for The Kahnawà:ke Tourism newsletter!

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Tourism Newsletter**

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Workforce Development

To enable individuals to acquire knowledge, skills and attitudes for gainful employment or improved work performance and providing employers with an effective means to communicate and meet their demand for skills to decrease the number of unemployed and under-employed community members.

Business Retention & Expansion

To ensure that businesses located within Kahnawà:ke maintain and expand (as measured by increasing the number of individuals employed) their operations within the Territory.

Entrepreneurship & Business Services

To provide entrepreneurs with access to developmental loans and other financial contributions, training, mentoring and the technical assistance they need to start-up and expand their business.

Economic Development Marketing & Tourism

To market the overall community, individual properties or sites, or specific programs or policies for the purposes of attraction, retention, and expansion of businesses, increasing the number of tourists, and improvement of the community's image locally, nationally, and internationally.

Economic Policy Advisory

To provide research and analysis of how economic policy, commercial regulations, and macroeconomic trends could impact Kahnawà:ke's economy and businesses.



PROGRAMS

Transitions
Bookkeeping and Aftercare
Builders of the Future
Counselling and Advice
Mentor a Student Intern Program
Self Employment Assistance



TRAINING

Entrepreneurship Training
I Want to Learn a Trade
Looking for a New Career
Training for my Staff
Vocational Training
PATH



JOB

Help Applying for a Job
Looking for a Job
Looking for a Summer Job
Job Seekers
Looking to Hire
Post a Job



FUNDING

Indigenous Initiatives Fund (IIF IV)
Business Assistance Fund
Business Contribution Fund
Business Loan Fund
Marketing Program Fund
Professional Services Fund
School/Training
Wage Subsidy
External Funding Opportunities



YOUTH

Counselling-Youth Engagement
Heads Up Program
Kahnawà:ke Youth Business Fund
Skills Link Program
Kahnawà:ke Summer Student
Employment Program (KSSEP)
Up & Atom STEAM Camp

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