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Neil McComber resigns as Executive Director, Tammy Delaronde named Interim Replacement

Neil Aronhiaken:iate McComber has resigned as Executive Director of Tewatohnhi'saktha, effective Monday, June 27th, 2022 to seek an opportunity in the private sector; McComber began as Executive Director on November 16th, 2020.

The Tewatohnhi'saktha Board of Directors have appointed Tammy Delaronde as Interim Executive Director of Tewatohnhi'saktha. Tammy has been employed with Tewatohnhi'saktha for 23 years, her career began as a Business Service Officer, she then advanced to Director of Business Services.

Daryl Leclaire has been appointed as the Interim Director of Business Services replacing Tammy in that role; Daryl has worked in the organization for 21 years.



A Successful Night of Comedy



Kahnawà:ke Tourism in partnership with Ristorante La Vista and sponsored by Caisse Populaire Desjardins held a comedy show on Saturday, June 11th, 2022. The event included a 3-course meal; \$10 from each ticket sold was donated to the Kateri Food basket. There are plans to host another event in the future.

Business Spotlight



Kidz-R-Us Playzone is a Family Fun Center owned by Crystal MacKenzie Deer and Jay Deer located on route 138 next to Wolfco Gas Station. The business opened its doors on April 28th, 2019. Despite their primary target being children ages 0-12, Kidz-R-Us boasts they have something for all ages, “Our toddler area is set up for kids who are brand new to crawling, walking, and climbing. Most kids over the age of one (1) can’t wait to get on our giant climbing structure with slides and obstacles throughout. Every age can enjoy our redemption arcades and cash in their tickets for fun prizes. We have three (3) party rooms located upstairs and offer a variety of party packages” owner Crystal MacKenzie Deer.

[Read the full story](#)

Indigenous Block Party

The First Indigenous Block Party took place at the Kahnawà:ke Sports Complex on June 21st, 2022. The Kahnawà:ke Tourism team was in attendance to participate in the fun filled afternoon that marked the first day of summer. The free event included activities such as: Go Skate Day, a Community Mural, Soccer, Lacrosse, Archery, Yoga in the park, Soccer Baseball, vendors, and a social dance!



Labour Market Information – Data Collection

Tewatohnhi'saktha has solicited the services of PlanIt Consulting & Communications to collect labour market information from businesses and organizations in Kahnawà:ke to identify existing jobs and jobs that are needed now and in the future. Data collection began on June 6th and will continue until August 31st, 2022. A summary of the data collected will be available online.



[Read full press release](#)

Congratulations going out to the Carpentry Program Graduates



Curry Delaronde, Logan Delisle, Rahentetha Delormier, Roskennakehte Tye Kirby, Joseph-James McGregor-Diabo, and Kruze Montour.

Summer Student Program



The Kahnawà:ke Summer Student Employment Program (KSSEP) is one of Tewaohnni'saktha's most popular programs. Each spring organizations and businesses seek out the talent pool of our ambitious students to provide a valuable summer work experience.

This year for the Kahnawà:ke Summer Student Employment Program we were able to approve funding for 87 jobs this summer with 14 being through the *Bring Your Own Student/Employer Initiative*.

30 High school, 36 CEGEP, 21 University positions.

Heads Up Program

This year the Heads Up program returns to its pre-covid form as there are 2 sessions, with 10 students registered per session, with some on on a waitlist as well. The first session began Monday, June 27th and ended July 15th. The second begins July 20th and ends on August 5th. The activities for each session will remain the same, with trips to Jet Boating Montreal, the movies, and Super Aqua Club.


The students will spend 3 days at a job placement at a local business in the community to gain their first job experience. We are also bringing back the 3-day barbeque outside in the parking lot on July 12,13,14 for session 1 and August 2,3,4 for session 2. The proceeds of the sale will go back to the students for their hard work. The other days will consist of in class lessons such as teamwork, customer service, and organization (among others), activities and guest speaker workshops with Tewatohnhi'saktha employees (Belle, Roiahtate, Emily, Bradley) and speakers from the Caisse Populaire Kahnawà:ke to talk about finances and savings.


We are happy to have the program resemble what it once did pre-covid and are excited to have the students back at Tewatohnhi'saktha and have a great program scheduled for this year!



Quarter Results

JOB CREATION

Business Clients Served: 85 

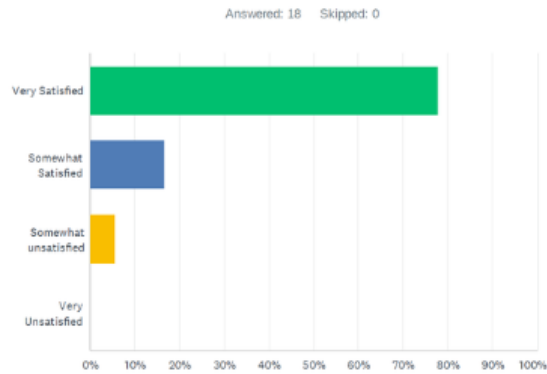
4 Business opened or expanded creating 2 full-time and 4 part-time. 

Workforce Development served 53 clients of those, 40 clients obtained jobs unsubsidized.

Workforce Development and Business Services confirm the satisfaction levels of the clients they served each quarter, here are the results:

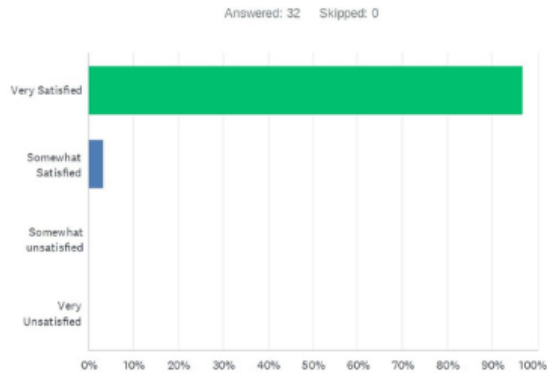
Workforce Development:

Q5 What was your level of satisfaction with the service(s) you received?



Business Services:

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KSE Inaugural Celebration



Kruger Energy and Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies (KSE) held their inauguration of the Des Cultures Wind Farm on Monday, June 27th, 2022. The ceremony was attended by the Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, Mr. Jonatan Julien, as well as other representatives of the Mohawk community, the Government of Québec, and the host municipalities.

This sustainable development initiative, which represents an investment of \$70 M, with \$50 M spent in Québec, will strengthen the local economy.

The Des Cultures Wind Farm Project is the culmination of a public consultation process and regulatory proceedings, including an environmental impact assessment.

Work began in August 2020 and was completed in December 2021. This project would have been impossible without the support of the residents of the municipalities of Saint-Rémi and Saint-Michel, and of numerous landowners in Montérégie.

“In terms of dollars coming back into the community, we’re expecting approximately \$1 million annually to start with, and then as we tune the turbines to greater efficiencies that number should increase,” Morris said

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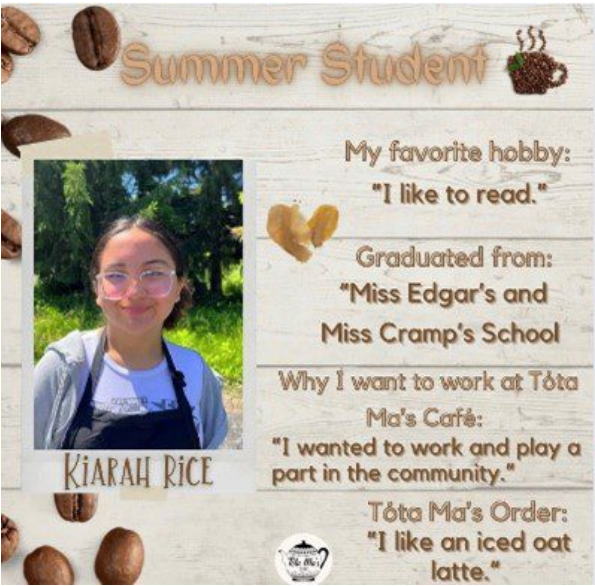
K103.7 Community Picnic

On Friday, June 24th, 2022 K103.7 hosted their 2nd annual Community Picnic at the Kahnawà:ke Sports Complex field. Tewatohnhi’saktha and Kahnawà:ke Tourism were in attendance handing out pamphlets, frisbees and sunglasses. Activities included free gifts, fun bounce, obstacle course, Pat's Pet Show, free food, big Zorb balls and much more!



Tóta Ma’s Café

Tóta Ma’s introduces a new member to the team! Introducing Kiarah Rice, Tóta Ma’s new Summer Student through KSSEP!



New & Trendy Drinks!



New Partnerships at the Café! NT Salads & Rezican Tacos





INTRODUCING ACCESS – An Adult Education Center in Saint Lambert

On Tuesday, June 7th, 2022 the Workforce Development Team took a site visit of the ACCESS Adult Education Center campus in Saint Lambert. The visit was intended to help showcase some of the specific programs that ACCESS offers in English such as Bricklaying and Stationary Engine Mechanics. Counselors enjoyed the opportunity to create new relationships with the staff at ACCESS.

[Click here to watch the video from this site visit.](#)

New groups start every month from September to April. Check out <https://www.access.rsb.qc.ca/> to see all the programs that ACCESS offers! Contact Tewatohnhi'saktha for more information.

Shop Kahnawà:ke Website Update



We have added new businesses to our website and updated information on an existing one!

Jamie's Pet Services – [Update info](#)

Burt's Nursery – [New Entry](#)

Wine Barrel – [Update info](#)



Keep the public updated on your services, location, business hours etc. If you are looking for assistance to pin your location on Google Maps and interested to be included on our website, complete this online entry form <https://tewa.ca/shop-kahnawake/entry-form/> and we will be more than happy to promote your business.

Summer Business Hours



Tewatohnni'saktha will be operating under a Summer Work Schedule beginning the week of July 11th, 2022 and ending on Friday, September 3rd, 2022. Regular hours will resume starting September 6th, 2022.

Monday to Thursday 8:00am to 4:00pm & Friday 8:00am to 12:30pm



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