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FRIENDSHIP ACCORD PILLARS - Draft

June 2024

1. INCREASING CONNECTION (Short-Term)	Cultural Awareness Training for the Town of Saugeen Shores (Suggested that this was Town's responsibility)	2. SHARED TOURISM INITIATIVES (Short-Term)	3. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATION (Medium Term)	4. BUILDING COMPLETE COMMUNITIES (Long-Term)
Hire Carolyn King to facilitate a moccasin identifier program where both Saugeen First Nation Council and the Town of Saugeen Shores initiate together. When the program is designed and activated it could include the residents of both communities.	In 2025, bring the Kairos blanket exercise to Saugeen Shores Council and Staff.	Water - Tourism marketing strategy focused around water for culture education and stewardship.	Conduct monthly joint economic development meetings.	Joint recruitment of health care professionals focused on gaps and create an action plan and explore partnerships and funding.
Hire a coordinator to manage the implementation of pillars - jointly funded.	Invite members of SFN to facilitate cultural awareness training. Topics could include: - A walking tour of the land either in Saugeen Shores or in Saugeen First Nation that would support the teaching of historical significant areas and / or siting elements of the natural environment that are culturally significant or used as medicines. - A workshop on the history behind and significance of ceremonies for the Anishinaabe People. i.e.. the annual Pow Wow. - A cultural understanding workshop that would cover items like what is a protocol and what is its' significance. - A facilitated worship about what it means to be Treaty People. This includes an overview of Treaties, their historical and contemporary context and how they govern the relationship between Indigenous People and the Federal and Provincial governments.	Develop a beach stewardship program for both SFN / SS to implement in their operations / develop beach maintenance standards.	Create joint shop local campaigns.	The Town to include SFN in the master planning process for both water and sanitary sewer servicing.
Jointly host a ceremony led by Saugeen First Nation to celebrate the completion of the Waase-yaa park naming, installation and opening. Collaborate on renaming other parks acknowledging SFN history and significance. i.e. Pioneer Park at the Saugeen River Mouth.		Discuss locations of united trails and seek funding for it to start and develop the necessary studies to implement.	Work collaboratively with existing resources to jointly create a centre for entrepreneurship support and a hub for business incubation and development.	Create a fulsome economic development partnership feasibility study and workplan.
Invite the Saugeen Shores Council to the round dance ceremony in the winter.		Map connecting trail areas and involve both communities in their development. Look for partners and funding. -Ensure trail connectivity / create a map of interconnected trails -Develop a joint trails master plan	Clean energy centre (Bruce Innovates) and create an action plan for opportunities within the sector.	
Develop and execute a "Youth Summit" for both SFN and SS youth.		Develop and promote walking tours: -Medicine walk -Story tellers		
Bring the two communities together over the summer. Possible ideas include: - Invitation to Councils to attend the 25th Anniversary and Pow Wow / Chief to participate in opening ceremonies / Mayor invited to Pow Wow to participate where appropriate. - Host 2 community feasts sharing location on an agreed upon schedule.		Create an annual regalia fashion show with an auditory explanation of the various dances and regalia.		
Host an annual ball tournament between the Town and SFN Council and Staff.		Create a SON territory map for distribution. (Similar to existing maps like the Bruce County map)		
Recognize Athletes from SFN in the champion showcase at the Plex.		Coordinate joint recreational spaces for development and co-marketing.		
Create educational treaty plaques throughout Saugeen Shores as a way of educating the public on Saugeen First Nation's connection to the area.		Create a declaration (declaration of independence) that explains the history of SFN and the relevancy to the Town's existence.		