2022 CRIME PREVENTION INVESTMENT PLAN RESULTS

Organizations Funded

17

Programs Funded

- Siim ohksin: Wahkotiwin Programs
- Social Development Programs

Total Funding
Amount

\$ 1.9 M

Participants & Volunteers

Unique Individual Participants

2,494 **327 2,821**

Contacts made

5,645 **1,440 7,085**

Volunteers

379 **58 437**

Social Development Programs

Siim ohksin: Wahkotiwin Programs

Volunteer Contribution Estimates



\$ 740,884

(using average hourly wage of \$33.90 across industries)



\$ 327,825

(using Alberta's minimum wage of \$15 per hour)

Progress Towards Program Outcomes

Siim ohksin: Wahkotiwin Programs

- Participants learned about traditional ceremonies, Indigenous language, crafts and land based activities which built their self confidence, supported their healing journey and enabled them to confront the core issues leading to criminalization
- Programs led to increase in cultural and family connections which stimulated social accountability within community

Social Development Programs

- 67% of youth (ages 12-24) who participated in an immigrant youth program reported they have increased attendance and engagement in school and overall academic success.
- More than 90% of youth participants in a leadership program reported feeling they have found ways to use their strengths to overcome challenges.
- More than 90% of participants in a vocational program indicated that they learned about available community resources through the program.

Positive Impacts on Program Participants

• A staff member of a Siim ohksin: Wahkotiwin program said:

"As a result [of the program], we only had 2 or 3 individuals who ended up incarcerated for their offences throughout 2019-2023 who were actively engaged in our program. The key to the success of the program is the high level of engagement of Elders and Knowledge Keepers, the focus on healing and the overall collaborative contributions of all the stakeholder agencies and justice system, which has evolved to recognizing the benefits of helping people heal from their intergenerational traumas rather than penalizing them. As a result, we are seeing results in our work, which is changing Indigenous relatives lives for the better."

• Social development program participants said:

"The outcome, knowing who I am, and figuring out why I am the way the way I am. I now have a better understanding of my behaviours, strengths and challenges and I have increased my knowledge of what strategies work and I am better able to advocate for myself".

"They set me up for life. I no longer have to worry about the stress in my life, everything that was holding me back is now gone. I am now able to support myself, it is my biggest accomplishment".