



## **CHIEF ERNIE CAMPBELL MEMORIAL FUND BACKGROUND**

### **ABOUT US:**

We are the Chief Ernie Campbell Memorial Fund, founded in 2017 by Chief Wayne Sparrow to honour the late Chief Campbell, and to help better serve members of the proud and great Musqueam First Nation. While our mission is to help serve the Musqueam People, we are separate from the Musqueam Indian Band. We receive no funds from the Band and are governed by a volunteer Board of Trustees.

Ernie Campbell served as Chief of the Musqueam Nation for many years, first elected in the 1980s and retiring in 2012. He was widely known as a fierce advocate for the Musqueam People, a visionary leader and a tough negotiator who led many successful initiatives on behalf of the Band. Equally important, Chief Campbell believed in the immense power of sport and education to make people's lives better, to teach important lessons, and to connect community. He also valued the Musqueam culture and heritage, believing that no one else defines who we are... our ancestors did, we do and our children will.

Chief Wayne Sparrow, who was elected after Chief Campbell passed away in 2013, wanted to honour Chief Campbell's values by creating this Fund in his memory to help advance the athletic, educational and cultural aspirations of the Musqueam People. Money for the Fund is raised through an annual charity golf event, attended and sponsored by friends and partners of the Musqueam Nation who also share in Chief Campbell's values and Chief Sparrow's vision.

It is our hope that, with donations and sponsorship provided by friends and partners of the Musqueam First Nation, the Chief Ernie Campbell Memorial Fund will help many Musqueam youth and adults have sports, educational and cultural experiences that they otherwise couldn't have, making them stronger people and us an even stronger Nation.

### **OUR MISSION:**

Our mission is to provide funds which help support Musqueam Community Members enhance their personal growth and engagement with our great community through participation in sports, education and cultural activities.

### **OUR APPROACH TO AWARDING FUNDS:**

Our goal is to contribute funds to members of the Musqueam Community who need help to participate in sports, education and cultural experiences, but we can't meet all requests. In order to manage the high demand and to ensure a fair distribution of funds, the Board considers social and economic barriers



facing the applicant and/or their family when determining eligibility for funding. Applicants are asked to try their best to find other ways to pay before applying the Chief Ernie Campbell Memorial Fund.

Applications will normally be reviewed by the Board of Trustees at the end of every quarter, but because this is our first year, the Board will review applications more frequently.

Please see **FUNDING GUIDELINES** and our **APPLICATION FORM** for more information.

#### **WHAT WE FUND:**

***If you are a member of the Musqueam Community and have tried your best to find other ways to pay for important sports, education or cultural activities but you still need some extra help, you can apply.***  
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***Sports:*** The Chief Ernie Campbell Memorial Fund could help fund team and individual sports for things like: Uniform costs, sports equipment, competition fees, user fees, or reasonable travel fees and expenses associated with attending competitions.

***Education:*** The Chief Ernie Campbell Memorial Fund will consider applications to help you with your schooling. Some of the things we could help fund are: Course fees, uniform costs, school/course supplies, educational assessment fees, shortfall in tuition fees, or reasonable travel fees and expenses associated with attending educational related events.

***Culture:*** The Chief Ernie Campbell Memorial Fund wants to help the Musqueam Community rediscover their culture and heritage, and to support activities that help promote increased awareness of the Musqueam culture and values. Some of the things we could help fund are: Activities that revitalize Musqueam traditional practices or language, or reasonable expenses associated with cultural exchanges.

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