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**Tikinagan**

Child & Family Services

## **Tikinagan Community Radio Script May 2025**

To: Tikinagan Staff

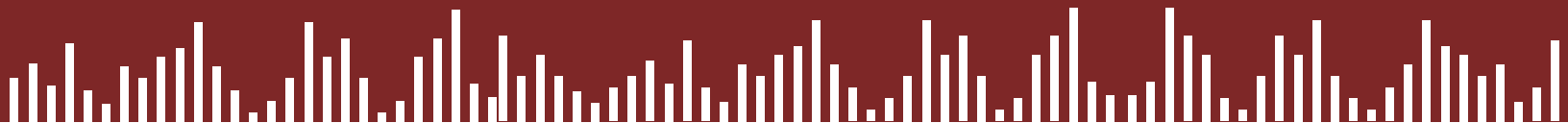
Thank you for representing Tikinagan by reading this radio script. We kindly ask you to read it on-air on our behalf, and/or take this to your local radio or TV station. We encourage you to translate for your listeners. If you would like help or want more scripts, you can email Wiidamaakewinik Odanohkiig (Communications Team) at [communications@tikinagan.org](mailto:communications@tikinagan.org). Thank you for being a vital part of our community outreach! Watch for new scripts every month! Past scripts can be used again.

### **RADIO INTRO**

Boozhoo! Wachiiye! This is Tikinagan Child and Family Services, we are a child well-being agency rooted in and accountable to our 30 First Nations. We are committed to our service model, Mamow Obiki-ahwahsoowin, “Everyone working together to raise our children.”

### **ANNOUNCEMENT ONE:**

Children and Youth in Care Day takes place every year on May 14. Inspired by the *My Real Life Book* report and proclaimed into law through the Children and Youth in Care Day Act, 2014, it's an opportunity to recognize the valuable contributions of current and former youth in care to communities across Ontario. It's also a time to acknowledge the strength and resilience shown by these young people in the face of adversity. This year, Tikinagan Child & Family Services has launched the Kids Are Kids campaign to celebrate the lives of children and youth in and from care, and reduce the stigma associated with the foster care system. Kids are kids. They are not clients and they're not just a number in the system. They are strong, growing, learning, healing, resilient; they are enough. Kids are our future. Every journey is different and families don't all look the same. Some children and families may need extra support and that's okay. It doesn't change who they are. Smart, fun, inspiring, interesting, creative, and awesome. Kids Are Kids!



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### **ANNOUNCEMENT TWO**

The Kids Are Kids campaign serves as a reminder to treat all children, youth and families equally, no matter their background. This year, for Children & Youth in Care Day, Tikinagan's youth team is sharing their stories and messages for current youth in care and the public. Noodawishinaam Oshkiniigiwig (Hear Us Youth) member, Nathan Linklater says, "I have been in the foster care system for over a decade. You go through a lot in care, but every kid still deserves the chance to be a kid."

Children and youth are the center of the Wee-Chee-Way-Win Circle of Care and part of our service model Mamow Obiki-ahwahsoowin, which means "Everyone working together to raise our children." Our children and youth are supported by all parts of Circle of Care, including the community that surrounds them and becomes a part of their family.

This May, join us in showing children and youth in care that our communities are here for them, we support them, and we accept them for who they are. Kids Are Kids!

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