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BCAAFC Congratulates Jocelyn Formsma on Appointment as President and CEO of Indspire

Victoria, B.C. - The BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres (BCAAFC) extends heartfelt congratulations to Jocelyn Formsma on her appointment as the new President and CEO of Indspire.

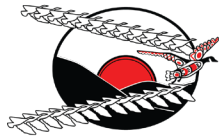
For nearly seven years, Jocelyn has served as Chief Executive Officer of the National Association of Friendship Centres (NAFC), where her leadership, advocacy, and vision have transformed and strengthened the Friendship Centre Movement across Canada. Under her leadership, the NAFC expanded its national influence, deepened relationships with federal partners, and advanced key priorities in housing, health, justice, and youth empowerment.

"Jocelyn's contributions to the Friendship Centre Movement have been extraordinary," said Annette Morgan, President of BCAAFC. "Her ability to lead with both strength and compassion has advanced our shared mission to support Indigenous peoples in urban and off-reserve communities. We thank her for her tireless work and wish her every success in this new role."

Jocelyn will begin her new role in January 2026, bringing with her a deep commitment to Indigenous self-determination, education, and community-driven change—values that are at the heart of the Friendship Centre Movement.

"We are so proud to see Jocelyn continue her journey in a role that uplifts Indigenous learners across Canada," said Celeste Hayward, Executive Director of BCAAFC. "Her appointment at Indspire is a reflection of her exceptional leadership and her dedication to creating opportunities for Indigenous success and empowerment."

BCAAFC acknowledges Jocelyn's outstanding accomplishments and lasting impact on the national network of Friendship Centres. Her vision, advocacy, and mentorship have strengthened the movement and inspired a new generation of Indigenous leaders. We look forward to continuing to walk alongside the NAFC and Indspire in advancing shared goals for thriving, connected, and empowered Indigenous communities.



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