

ANISHNAWBE COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER: TORONTO'S RECONCILIATION PROJECT

TRC Call to Action #61:

"We call upon church parties to the Settlement Agreement, in collaboration with Survivors and representatives of Aboriginal organizations, to establish permanent funding to Aboriginal people for:

I. Community-controlled healing and reconciliation projects...

The demand for Anishnawbe Health Toronto (AHT) services has ballooned to more than 27,000 visits a year. Stretched to capacity, concerns about overcrowding, privacy, confidentiality and infection control are an everyday reality at AHT.

This is about to change. A partnership with the Government of Ontario has resulted in the purchase (for a nominal fee) of 2.4 acres of land near the Distillery District. The new 45,000 square foot Aboriginal Health Centre will require less than one acre allowing space for ceremonial grounds, a sweat lodge and healing garden. The remaining land will include cultural venues and economic services. The Ministry of Health has provided \$17 million in capital funds. **The Anishnawbe Health Foundation has asked the Faith community to assist in raising funds towards the full \$30 million Health Centre project.** Naming opportunities are available for contributions above \$25,000. **The Sanatan Mandir Cultural Center (Hindu) is the first community to respond to this request with a donation of approximately \$60,000.**

Details about the project can be found here:

<https://view.imirus.com/1158/document/12449/page/26ng>

The Anishnawbe Health Foundation is a registered charity (Charitable Business Number 84999 1914 RR0001) <http://www.aht.ca/support-anishnawbe>

