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KAHNAWÀ:KE'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Quarter 4 - January to March 2026



Welcoming New Staff and Changes

In February, Tewatohnhi'saktha welcomed the new Director of Human Resources, Joni Diabo. In January, Brandon Ross secured the role of Indeterminate Business Retention & Expansion Officer / Business Services Officer (BRE/BSO), while in March, Drake D'Souza stepped into the position of Interim Program Manager.



Joni Diabo

Director of Human Resources

Brandon Ross

Business Retention & Expansion Officer / Business Services Officer

Drake D'Souza

Interim Program Manager

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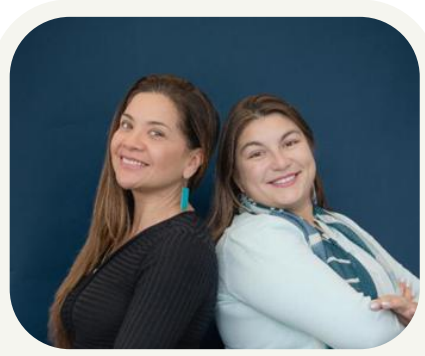
Staff Training



Cannexus 2026
Workforce Development team, Corinna Phillips, Savannah Matteini-Gabriel, Finnley Montour, Emily Rice, and Emmitt Hamelin.



PATH Public Speaking
Wahsontaha:wi Stacey and TammyJo Lahache participated in the Public Speaking & Presentation Skills Course.



Leadership & Governance at HEC
Angie Marquis, and Kimberly Cross attended the Leadership & Governance training in Montreal.



International Indigenous Tourism Conference
Bronwyn Johns, Iakothahitáhkhe Diabo, Kimberly Cross, Lacey Paul, and Brian Williams attended IITC in Edmonton.



Indigenous Women in Leadership Training
Abigail Jacobs completed the Indigenous Women in Leadership Training in Montreal.



Public Workshops and Courses Tewatohnni'saktha Held



Web Development Workshop

Intro to Word Basics

Finance Workshop

Public Speaking & Presentation Skills

Business Plan Workshop

Intro to Excel

Business Grants Distributed in Q4



Tewatohnhi'saktha Business Contribution Fund

\$161,877



Professional Services Fund

\$19,060



Marketing Pro Fund

\$94,465



Business Assistance Fund

\$20,890



Shop Kahnawà:ke Certificates

\$15,580

3 Program Graduates

Graduated from	Now Employed
Completed the Secretarial Program at NOVA	Receptionist at KSS
Graduated from the Welding and Fitting Program at NOVA	Iron Worker with Acier Lavallee
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6 Clients Received Services or Training

Clients who received training or services	Now Employed
Completed Transitions	Full-Time at The Kateri Memorial Hospital
Completed ASP 30 Course	Full-Time at Tree Keepers INC.
Completed Skills Link Work Measure	Full-Time at Sequoia Soaps
Completed the Personal Training and Nutritionist Certification at ISSA	Employed at the Kahnawà:ke Mohawk Bridge Consortium
Completed Skills Link Work Measure	Full-Time at Step by Step
Completed Transitions	Now employed at K103



PATH Course Completion

8 participants completed the Intro to Word Basics PATH Course. All participants are working throughout the community and are continuing to enhance their skills through the PATH Courses.



Campaigns

Coffee with a Counsellor

The Workforce Development team were set up at Tóta Ma's Café to promote our services and programs.

PATH Registrations

The PATH Courses that started are Intro to Excel, Intro to Word Basics, and Professional Communication and Grant Writing.

KSSEP Promo

KSSEP kicked off in February for the upcoming student summer jobs!

Marketing and Professional Services

Reminders were sent to utilize the Marketing Program Fund and the Professional Services Fund.

Featured Business



Take a moment to explore the reel highlighting Beauty by Kawisonni, our featured business for the month of February. Discover all that she has to offer!

Podcasts



Pathfinding 2026 -
Unlock your Career
Potential with PATH



Building Futures: Inside
the 2026 Kahnawà:ke
Summer Student
Employment Program



KAHNAWÀ:KE TOURISM



Kahnawà:ke Tourism took part in several events during the fourth quarter! Be sure to check out their monthly newsletter for recaps of past events, information on upcoming activities, tour updates, and much more!

Kahnawà:ke Tourism
NEWSLETTERS



Maple Food Fest

The Maple Food Fest, held in March, showcased ten participating businesses, including Cakery Bakery, Rowy's, Kahnawà:ke Brewing Co, Kahnawà:ke Sports & Rec Snack Bar, Tota Ma's, Roosters, Screaming Chef, Rooted Revival, Caughnawaga General Store, and Two O Seven. In addition, the Sugar Shack Brunch at KSS on March 22nd was a notable success, raising \$4,600 for KSS Cultural Programming and drawing in approximately 200 attendees.



TUNE INTO OUR PODCASTS

KAHNAWAKETOURISM.COM



Mandate

Workforce Development

To enable individuals to acquire knowledge, skills and attitudes for gainful employment or improved work performance and providing employers with an effective means to communicate and meet their demand for skills to decrease the number of unemployed and under-employed community members.

Business Retention & Expansion

To ensure that businesses located within Kahnawà:ke maintain and expand (as measured by increasing the number of individuals employed) their operations within the Territory.

Entrepreneurship & Business Services

To provide entrepreneurs with access to developmental loans and other financial contributions, training, mentoring and the technical assistance they need to start-up and expand their business.

Economic Development Marketing & Tourism

To market the overall community, individual properties or sites, or specific programs or policies for the purposes of attraction, retention, and expansion of businesses, increasing the number of tourists, and improvement of the community's image locally, nationally, and internationally.

Economic Policy Advisory

To provide research and analysis of how economic policy, commercial regulations, and macroeconomic trends could impact Kahnawà:ke's economy and businesses.



PROGRAMS

Transitions
Bookkeeping and Aftercare
Builders of the Future
Counselling and Advice
Mentor a Student Intern Program
Self Employment Assistance



TRAINING

Entrepreneurship Training
I Want to Learn a Trade
Looking for a New Career
Training for my Staff
Vocational Training
PATH



JOBS

Help Applying for a Job
Looking for a Job
Looking for a Summer Job
Job Seekers
Looking to Hire
Post a Job



FUNDING

Indigenous Initiatives Fund (IIF IV)
Business Assistance Fund
Business Contribution Fund
Business Loan Fund
Marketing Program Fund
Professional Services Fund
School/Training
Wage Subsidy
External Funding Opportunities



YOUTH

Counselling-Youth Engagement
Heads Up Program
Kahnawà:ke Youth Business Fund
Skills Link Program
Kahnawà:ke Summer Student
Employment Program (KSSEP)
Up & Atom STEAM Camp

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