



Sandy- Saulteaux Spiritual Centre

Keeper of the Centre Report for
June 12, 2022



Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre Renewal Project

Reconciliation is about creating change for healing and taking concrete steps.

Focused fundraising provides PCF with an opportunity to support this healing.

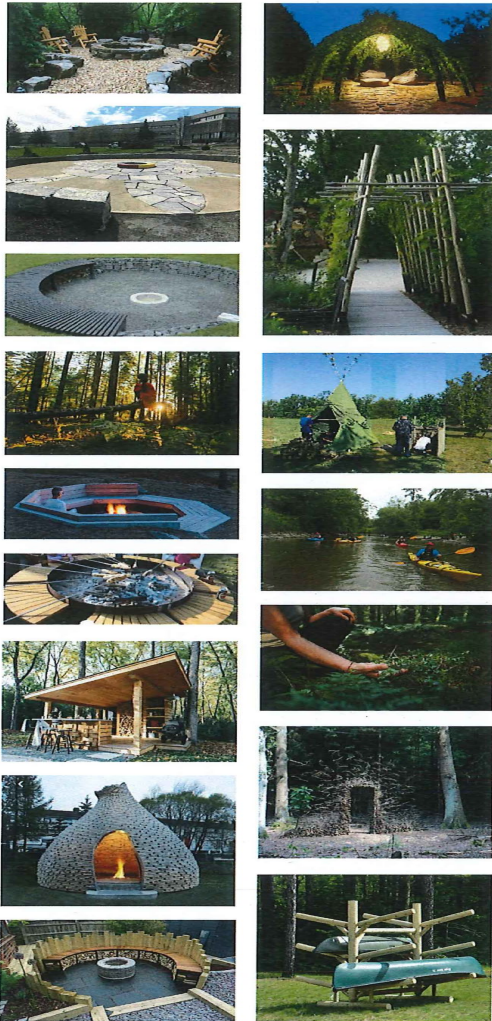
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The renewal project for the centre is about developing the centre for the next 30 years.

During 2020 and early 2021 the centre worked with Prairie Architects and HTCF Planning and Design landscape architects to create a development concept which is on the next slide.

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*The Earth is Our Faculty
Nature is not a place to "visit", it's home.*

Program Elements:

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| 1 Site Entrance
• sculpture
• indigenous art | 12 Outdoor Classroom
• ± 30 students
• seating rings
• shade structure
• center fire pit
• indigenous plantings
• 4 directions, enter from the east |
| 2 Staff Parking
• ± 6 stalls | 13 Workcamp / Food Prep
• tips for drying medicines & smoking meat
• animal hide rack (4-sided)
• rack to scrape small hide
• tripod for animal butchering
• fish smoker (4'x4')
• work benches for food prep, teaching
• community style picnic tables
• shed & wood storage
• running water, sinks
• fire pit for cooking |
| 3 Visitor Parking
• ± 20 stalls
• prairie grasses & plantings
• drop-off loop | 14 Sacred Fire Circle
• ± 30-40 people
• reflective, sacred space
• "heartbeat of the space"
• space integrated into a berm (±1.5m ht.)
• feeling of sitting "in" the land
• prairie grasses & plantings
• 4 directions, enter from east
• use of natural, raw materials
• indigenous teachings & imagery
• covered structure
• Location give flexibility of choice to engage |
| 4 New Building
• storage of maintenance equipment & vehicles
• kayak & canoe storage
• workshop area
• lighting & electricity | 15 Existing Gathering Circle & Paths
• ± 70-80 people
• flexible space for informal gatherings
• conversational/talking circle
• socializing, close to cabins, kitchen & washrooms
• limestone seating blocks define the outer boundary
• variety of seating (chairs & log stumps)
• east & west directions honoured
• existing meditation lodge removed
• new tipi & granular surfacing
• accessibility & material upgrades to asphalt paths
• address grading issues (low spots, poor drainage)
• enhanced pedestrian lighting |
| 5 New Garage & Workshop
• storage of maintenance equipment & vehicles
• kayak & canoe storage
• workshop area
• lighting & electricity | 16 Outdoor Dining & Geodesic Greenhouse
• ± 20 people on patio
• Small greenhouse (16' diameter) |
| 6 Garden Plot
• shade structure (w/ solar panels)
• rainwater harvesting | 17 Sweat Lodge
• pathway to water |
| 7 Living Willow Archway
• entrance to more "private" spaces
• fence / artwork / sculpture | |
| 8 Private Gathering Circles
• multiple secluded spaces for activities requiring a higher level of privacy
• re-unification spaces for families
• different sizes (1 on 1 gatherings vs. group gatherings)
• fasting, reflective ceremony & meditation
• "backyard fire pit" scale | |
| 9 River Trail
• information panels about the land (multiple languages, flora & fauna)
• ribbons tied to tree trunks & branches to mark the trail | |
| 10 Connection to the Water
• moon & water ceremonies
• central fire pit
• views to the river
• private, reflective space | |
| 11 New Cabins
• exact location TBD
• remove old washrooms
• larger capacity cabins (7-8 rooms) | |

LEGEND

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| --- PROPERTY LINE | --- EXISTING BENCHES / VIEWS TO THE RIVER |
| --- VEHICULAR CIRCULATION | * ACCESS TO THE RIVER |
| --- RIVER TRAILS | --- REMOVED BUILDINGS (washroom, meditation lounge, shed & garage) |
| --- INTERNAL PATHWAYS | |





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During 2021 the centre replaced foundations under two of our lodges with an investment of \$150,000 and demolished an old wash room building with an investment of \$7,300.

During 2022 the plan is to build a new workshop with an investment of \$70,000 so that the equipment in the current workshop can be moved into the new workshop before the old workshop is torn down to make space for an outdoor classroom and food prep area for developing in 2023.



The Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre Renewal Project

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- Replacement of Lodge Foundations -\$150,000 2021 Complete
- demolition of old Washroom building - \$7,300 2021 Complete
- Accessible deck and dining patio - \$30,000 2022 Grant approved
- a new storage/workshop space - \$70,000 2022
- demolition of the Meditation Lodge - \$5,000 2022
- Outdoor Classroom -\$50,000 2023
- Outdoor food prep area -\$50,000 2023

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Build New Workshop and relocation of existing Workshop - May 20, 2022			
Funds for Project	Build New Workshop	Relocate existing Workshop	Total Project
Church Development Fund - Prairie to Pine Region	\$ 21,000	\$ 8,150	\$ 29,150
Pinawa Christian Fellowship	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,500	\$ 7,500
Summer Student grant MB Green Team		\$ 4,200	\$ 4,200
Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual Centre	\$ 21,000	\$ 8,150	\$ 29,150
Total	\$ 47,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 70,000

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The grant request to the Church Development fund of the Prairie to Pine region of the United Church of Canada in the amount of \$29,150 has been approved.

The summer student grant from the Manitoba Green Team for \$4,200 has been approved.



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The Sandy-Saulteaux Spiritual centre is asking for \$7,500 from the Pinawa Christian Fellowship to support the Building of a new workshop and relocating the existing workshop project as part of their concrete actions for reconciliation.

If you have any questions or would like to tour the centre, please contact Rob Smith (robert@sandysaulteaux.ca)