

## Aboriginal Healing Foundation

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Our mission is to encourage and support Aboriginal people in building and reinforcing sustainable healing processes that address the legacy of physical and sexual abuse in the residential schools, including intergenerational impacts.

Notre mission est d'encourager et d'appuyer les autochtones afin de bâtir et de renforcer les processus de guérison souhaitables qui s'attaquent aux séquelles des abus physiques et sexuels dans le système de pensionnats, y compris aux séquelles intercénérationelles

## THE ABORIGINAL HEALING FOUNDATION RELEASES THREE-VOLUME FINAL REPORT

(OTTAWA, Ontario, January 30, 2006) – The Aboriginal Healing Foundation's Board of Directors today announced the publication of a three-volume Final Report which presents a detailed narrative of the AHF's activities over the past six years.

Volume I, A Healing Journey: Reclaiming Wellness, traces the Aboriginal healing movement and the role of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation within it. Volume II, Measuring Progress: Program Evaluation, synthesizes data collected throughout the Foundation's evaluation processes. Volume III, Promising Healing Practices in Aboriginal Communities, reports on promising AHF-funded activities.

Aboriginal Healing Foundation President Georges Erasmus said that "this report provides what we hope is a useful study of the past and a helpful guidepost for the future — a future in which Aboriginal people have fully addressed the legacy of historic trauma suffered in the residential school system."

A forty-eight page summary booklet, entitled "A Healing Journey" and containing highlights of the Final Report, has also been published.

The Aboriginal Healing Foundation supports community-based healing initiatives which address the legacy of physical and sexual abuse in Canada's Indian Residential School System, including intergenerational impacts.

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