



# Indigenous Library Partnership Working Group Report

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**Report To:** FOPL Board and Members, Annual General Meeting  
**Report Name:** Indigenous Library Partnerships Working Group – AGM 2026 Report  
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## **Members** (*in alphabetical order*)

Kelly Bernstein, CEO, County of Brant Public Library  
Kathy Fisher, Trustee, Ottawa Public Library  
Wayne Greco, Trustee, Sault Ste. Marie Public Library  
Feather Maracle, CEO, Six Nations Public Library  
Dr. Sabrina Saunders, Ontario Library Association  
Aly Veliji, Senior Manager, Toronto Public Library

## Ex Officio Members

Board Chair: Paul Ainslee, Trustee, Toronto Public Library  
ED: Dina Stevens, Resource Person to the Group

## **Recommendation**

**THAT the Indigenous Library Partnerships Working Group Report be received as information.**

## ***What have we done since the last AGM?***

Successfully advocated to ensure the Ministry's increase for the PLOG and FNSS

-previously, 3.75 million over 3 years; first installment was in 2024-2025

-FNSS: \$35,000.00 - up from \$13,000.00

-PLOG: doubled - based in Ministry records; minimum PLOG for FNPLs is \$1,500.00

-secured the monies will be ongoing to support First Nation Public Libraries in Ontario



## **Action Plan**

6 Objectives:

1. Review Terms of Reference
2. Review and move forward on the FOPL Truth and Reconciliation Plan
3. Review FOPL website for mention of ILP WG
4. Introduce sponsorship from mPLs to/for FNPLs
5. ASPL through lens of FNPLs
6. Advocacy and promotion of FNPLs with assistance from mPL CEOs

### **IMMEDIATE NEED / Member Call Out**

FNPL members to sit on the FOPL ILP WG.