



# PTFN TRUST VOTE 2024



## About the Trust Vote

The official voting date for the Community Approval will take place on **Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** at the following Polls:

- **Peerless Lake Community Hall**, Peerless Lake, AB  
*This poll is for Peerless Lake members only*
- **Trout Lake Community Hall**, Trout Lake, AB  
*This poll is for Trout Lake members only*
- **Electronic Voting**—QR Code available  
*This option is for any PTFN eligible voter*

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Or go directly to [members.onefeather.ca](https://members.onefeather.ca)

If an Eligible Voter would like to vote by Mail-In Ballot contact the Designated Officer to request a mail-in package. (780) 690-6562

Income from the Peerless Trout First Nation Trust is used to fund programs and services in the communities. Every Trust program and budget was approved in the past by a PTFN membership vote. Each proposed program is outlined in this newsletter. The proposed programs and budgets require approval of the PTFN membership by vote.

## A. PTFN ELDER MONTHLY SUPPLEMENT

## B. PTFN OFF-RESERVE SCHOOL COST SUPPLEMENT

### Term / Budget : Ongoing \$200,000 (per year)

- Elder: PTFN member 60 years or older, living on or off reserve
- Will receive a monthly payment of \$150
- Program to start July 1, 2024 (no retroactive payments)
- Application may be made to Trust Coordinator the month the applicant turns 60, and payments will start the following month. (Proof of PTFN Member & age required)

### Term / Budget: Ongoing \$100,000 (per year)

- A PTFN member, 18 years and under, living off of PTFN (or any) reserve.
- This fund allows for \$500 per child per academic year. (Released to parent or guardian)
- To supplement a portion of early childcare/primary/secondary school fees, bus fares and hot lunch programs that off-reserve members face.
- Submit application form to Trust Coordinator with proof of enrollment of child in daycare or school setting required. Submit between June 15 to July 15 each year for Aug 1 payment. Processed as soon as possible but please allow several weeks for payment



## C. PTFN FUNDED STUDENT LIVING ALLOWANCE SUPPLEMENT

*Additional \$500/month for living allowance to funded students to help with the rising costs of living*

**Term/Budget: Ongoing**  
**\$150,000 (per year)**

- Must be PTFN Member
- Available to those already funded from the PSE, ISET-P or High School Diploma Program (Trust Program).
- To supplement the funding from PSE/ISET-P/ HSD of an additional \$500/month on a first come first served basis. Intent to benefit all continuing education students including: full-time, part-time and practicum students if budget available.
- If the applicant is no longer eligible through PSE, ISET-P or High School Diploma Program they will no longer be eligible for this supplement.
- Program intended for completion of courses in a regular timeframe.

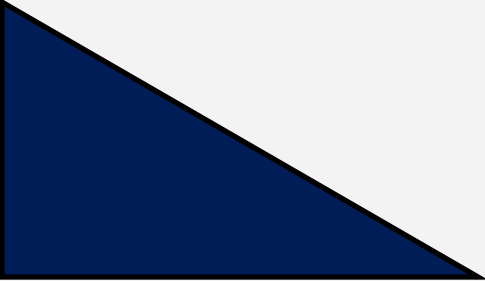
## D. RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER PROGRAM

*Reduce the neglected and homeless pet population on-reserve. Enhance the community well-being by ensuring a healthy population of pets in the best interest of the community's safety.*

**Term / Budget: Ongoing \$90,000 (per year)**

Budget may include expenses such as:

Establishment of a pet registry system and educational awareness.

- Effectively return pets home before becoming part of the stray pet population.
  - Educational awareness on Activities may include: newsletter/posters/promotional items, registry system, issuance of tags and collars.
- Animal response/enforcement position.
- The Animal Control Personnel will enforce any animal control bylaws/regulations that are passed by the Chief and Council. Services may include: responding to nuisance pet calls, the temporary detainment of nuisance/hazard pets, positive partnerships with animal rescues, full-time position, part time position, fuel and travel expenses, PPE, equipment for the safe and humane detainment (kennels, nets, etc.), pet food and supplies or euthanization as a last resort.
- Spay and neuter clinics brought to community.
- PTFN members to pay a portion of fee. Partnerships and alternate funding to be utilized.
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## E. MORTGAGE DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE FUND

*Reducing the downpayment barriers for members to finance their own home*

### **Term/Budget: Ongoing \$30,000 (per year)**

Must be a PTFN Member, on or off reserve.

\$10,000 available once per lifetime per PTFN member to assist in their mortgage downpayment. Applicant must fulfill their requirements for a mortgage separately from this program.

Allows for three mortgage assistance payments per year on a first come first served basis.

Application made to the Nation, who will release a 90-day letter outlining to the lender the access to \$10,000

PTFN Trust will only release funds directly to the applicant's closing lawyer once approved and offer/contract is signed and closed.

If applicant(s) were approved by the mortgage lender as a joint-tenancy mortgage (equal co-owners) only one payment of \$10,000 will be released to lender (applicant to specify in writing)

## F. COMMUNITY GREENHOUSES

*Begin to establish food independence on-reserve, teaching life long skills and the importance of whole foods, lessen high costs of living*

### **Term: Ongoing \$30,000 (per year) and one time payment of \$30,000 for Greenhouses**

Budget may include expenses such as: two greenhouses (one in each community with final sites to be determined), site preparation, utilities/water, planting supplies, soil, tools, equipment rentals, two full-time staff (one to run each greenhouse), and education programming for youth and adults.

Partnerships to be utilized with schools and health department. Program will be administered by Trust Department.

On and off reserve members can access the available produce at no cost.

Staff will prepare equal distribution per household and off-reserve members who would like to receive produce.

Budget: \$30,000 (\$15,000 / community), one time cost of \$30,000 (for purchase of two greenhouses).

## G. BOAT DOCKS

*One time purchase for community boat docks*

**Term / Budget: One Time Purchase of \$41,500**

Purchase of a roll in/roll out dock for each area:

- Peerless (down by the hall) *\*For boats*
- Trout (Old school site or sucker creek TBD)
- Peerless Beach Grounds future site *\*for children's safe swimming area*

To be maintained by Lands department.

## H. BEACH COMMUNITY GROUNDS

**Term / Budget: 3-Year Term (\$17,000 / year)**

To develop a more open, sand beach area for community, family gatherings and day use near Napesis Dr.

Budget may be used to supplement the costs associated with: clearing and preparing land for beach use, Elder memorial benches, labourers, safe swimming space for children, day-use gates, etc. to develop the land opening on Napesis Dr.

Partnerships and in-kind donations will be explored and utilized by Trust Department and Administration.

To be maintained by Facilities Department.

# Thank You!

We received **36** new idea submissions for 2024! All ideas were reviewed and analyzed by the PTFN Trust Advisory Committee. Those that were not chosen to move forward on for 2024 are being explored further for alternate funding sources before potential Trust Funding. Stay tuned for future updates!

