## **Youth Declaration**

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We have the vision to bring love to our communities.

As Youth we commit to taking care of each other and working to gain knowledge from our Elders.

We have learned from Survivors of Residential Schools how to be strong, resilient and courageous.

We honour the gifts they have given through Truth and Reconciliation and will continue to learn from them and share their wisdom.

We will work towards living in a peaceful way within our families and friends.

We will not turn to drugs and alcohol when we don't feel loved, instead we will turn to our families and Elders for support.

We will work to reconnect different cultures and pass on the beauty of Indigenous

People and speak up against stereotypes.

We will speak up against lateral violence.

We will work together to take care of Mother Earth, the land and the water.

We will ask our Elders for mentorship when we feel hopeless or lost.

We believe there is hope and we will spread love and hope into our communities.

We believe in the sacredness of life and will work to live a good life in a good way.

