

Volunteer Profile

Facilitator – Mapping the Ground We Stand On

The Facilitator of PWRDF's Mapping Exercise, "Mapping the Ground We Stand On", helps PWRDF to demonstrate its commitment to supporting the findings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and work towards its Strategic Plan goal to "Accompany and support First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people on our mutual path of reconciliation." They do this by facilitating "Mapping the Ground We Stand On" workshops in-person and online.

Responsibilities:

1. Facilitate the PWRDF "education for reconciliation" workshop "Mapping the Ground We Stand On" for either in-person or online groups.
2. Communicate with workshop hosts, i.e. parishes, to coordinate the pre-workshop promotion, participant communication and logistics.
3. Ensure that the venue is prepared in advance of in-person workshops.
4. Coordinate the registration process, participant communication and Zoom meeting for online workshops.
5. Arrange for the participation of an Indigenous witness where possible.
6. Coordinate follow up communications with participants including the evaluation survey.
7. Assist PWRDF staff in promoting the mapping exercise within your network and Ecclesiastical Province.
8. Maintain communication with PWRDF staff through e-mail follow up, tracking the workshops you are facilitating and participating in periodic Facilitators' meetings.

Requirements

- Interest in and commitment to the journey toward truth and reconciliation with First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples
- Experience in group facilitation or adult education
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent public speaking and presentation skills
- Ability to organize and plan events
- High speed internet access for online workshops and email contact
- Familiarity with facilitation online (PWRDF uses Zoom) or a willingness to learn
- Ability to travel within the ecclesiastical province to facilitate workshops
- Adherence to PWRDF policies: Code of Ethics, Volunteer, Sexual Misconduct, and Privacy. For the full text of the policies go to <https://pwrdf.org/about/policies-procedures/>

Support Provided

- Facilitator training for the Mapping Exercise (an initial two-day training session) and access to updated materials as they are developed, including the use of a large vinyl floor map that belongs to PWRDF.
- Staff availability for advice, goal setting, logistics and any other support
- Training and support from staff on using the Zoom platform
- A network of facilitators for peer support and shared learning
- Coverage of travel costs for in-person workshops
- Tools for promotion of the Mapping Exercise and resources for further education in reconciliation
- Regular communication about PWRDF programs and resources
- Use of PWRDF teleconference and video conferencing system for contact with parish hosts and online workshops (subject to availability)

Time Commitment

- Approximately 1 in-person or 1 – 2 online workshops per month (3 hours each)
- Facilitator meetings an average of once per quarter
- Approximately 2 to 3 hours per month of preparation and follow up for each workshop
- A 3-year commitment is preferred.

Benefits

- Join a dynamic network of like-minded volunteers who are taking action toward truth and reconciliation and the 94 calls to action.
- A flexible schedule that you can determine.