



Land Acknowledgement

We would like to acknowledge that the lands on which we live, work, study, and worship belong to the Algonquin nation.

These territories, comprising the Kichi Sibi (Ottawa River) watershed, and including all of Canada's national capital region were never surrendered or ceded by the Algonquin nation.

Systems of colonization were utilized to fraudulently acquire this land and exploit its resources. There are Algonquin communities not far from Ottawa which are still without clean drinking water and adequate housing, and where families live in dire poverty.

We acknowledge this land not only in thanks to the Indigenous communities who have held relationship with this land for generations but also in recognition of the historical and on-going legacy of colonialism. We will strive to make this acknowledgement a reality not only in our words, but in our actions. WOCRC is working towards reconciliation in our work with women and children as well as our various programs and services and is committed to this ongoing process.