



# Important Information

## The National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Community Hearings of the Truth Gathering Process

### Thunder Bay, ON: December 4 – 6, 2017

Commissioner Michèle Audette and Commissioner Brian Eyolfson will be in Thunder Bay, Ontario for Community Hearings from December 4-6, 2017. The daily hearings are expected to begin at 9:00 AM ET and are scheduled to end at 5:00 PM ET. Around 50 family members and survivors are expected to share their truths. There are a variety of ways to provide testimony throughout the week - public and private hearings, sharing circle testimonies and artistic expression panels.

The Commissioners' mandate is to examine and report on the systemic causes of all forms of violence against Indigenous women, girls and LGBTQ2S people in Canada by looking at patterns and underlying factors. The mandate also includes examining institutional practices and policies implemented in response to violence experienced by Indigenous women and girls, including examining police investigation practices and responses, as part of this public investigation.

Anyone from the public can attend the community hearings to observe in the public hearing rooms. Alternatively, the hearings will be live streamed. Links will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/MMIWG/>

**Website:** <http://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/>

Statement Gatherers will also be present in Thunder Bay to hear families and survivors share their stories. A Commissioner will not be present in the room but the audio and video collected will be reviewed by them. These sessions are not open to the public.

**Location:** Best Western Plus NorWester Hotel & Conference Centre  
2080 Hwy 61, Thunder Bay, ON

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