



“Everything on the earth has a purpose, every disease an herb to cure it and every person a mission,. This is the Indian theory of existence”

In 1985, Na-Me-Res (Native Men’s Residence) began offering emergency shelter to Aboriginal men who were “without a place to live”. Since then a greater understanding of the underlying causes of Aboriginal homelessness has emerged. In response, Na-Me-Res (Native Men’s Residence) has over the past few years either re-designed its programs or designed and implemented new programs to ensure we are meeting the unique needs of Aboriginal men who live in a state of homelessness. Based on a culturally responsive strengths and a case management approach to client care, these programs include:

- **Aboriginal Outreach Services and Support:** Outreaches to those living on the streets and in seasonal shelters, providing them with support and assistance in transitioning from streets to homes.
- **Mino Kaanjigoowin** (*Changing My Direction In Life*)—A disproportionate number of our client have special needs, sometimes as a result of the inter-generational effects of colonization including residential school syndrome. This service offers a specialized response for those with special needs.
- **Ngim Kow Njicaag** (*Reclaiming My Spirit*) Program: The goal of the Nigim Kowa Mjichaag Program is to assist clients reclaim their culture, identity, role and responsibilities through the delivery of culture based services within a safe healing environment.
- **Sagatay** (*A New Beginning*): A 22-bed safe and supportive learning and housing environment for Aboriginal men and male youth 18+.
- **Traditional Services:** Increasingly it has become apparent that a significant contributing factor to Aboriginal homelessness is loss of culture. Our Oshkabaywis coordinates the delivery of culture-based workshops and activities for all agency clients. Visiting Elders provide group and individual healing sessions.
- **Annual Traditional Pow Wow** is a yearly event held in recognition of National Aboriginal Day.
- **Christmas Drive:** Of all the special holidays throughout the year, “Christmas”/Winter Solstice is a most lonely and desolate time for many of our clients. Each year we conduct a “Christmas Drive” so we can provide them with a special day.

For more information, review our website [www.nameres.org](http://www.nameres.org) or call 416-651-6750, Ext. 2233 or email [general@nameres.org](mailto:general@nameres.org)

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