

Note of Congratulations and Recognition of Achievement From Tsuu T'ina Chief and Council

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On behalf of the Council of the Tsuu T'ina Nation, I am pleased to offer sincerest thanks and congratulations to everyone responsible for making the Virtual Small Business Incubator Program a reality. Special recognition goes to the Employment Resource Centre and the Income Support Department. We are pleased to point them out for their efforts at the upcoming Entrepreneurial Showcase.

The current and future success of our Nation depends on the ability of our people to generate economic activity here on the Nation. We know that we need more opportunities for well-paying jobs. And those jobs come from the ability of visionary entrepreneurs to leverage hard work, skill, partnerships and insightful ideas into action. I think we have all had good ideas for the next small business venture. However, translating that idea into a real business may seem difficult – sometimes we just do not know where to turn.

The Virtual Small Business Incubator gives us that place to turn. A place to learn about grants, skills, business plan writing, and an education in the day to day operation of a business. Starting a business is not easy. But with help, it is possible.

As such, I encourage all Tsuu T'ina people to wake up in the morning, take the dream that you had last night of the next small business opportunity, and use the Virtual Small Business Incubator to see if you can turn it into a reality. You have a vision, now you have a tool to help make it happen. You may not succeed the first, second or third time. But eventually, with your effort and with this kind of help, you will succeed. And your success means success for our entire Nation.

Dream. Use the tool. And strive for that success.

Sincerely,

Sandford Big Plume, Chief

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