



Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Reservation Business Committee

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Investing in Success: FABICash Donates \$15,000 to Empower Fond du Lac Ojibwe School and Students

Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa – Cloquet, Minnesota (May 3, 2024) – FABICash, a leading provider of cash access solutions in the gaming industry, proudly announces its \$15,000 donation to the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School (FDLOS), presented at a special event on Wednesday, May 1, 2024.

Nick Rabito from FABICash and Dan LaPrairie, Black Bear Casino General Manager, presented the donation to FDLOS administrators Valerie Tanner, Principal, and Tara Dupuis, Superintendent, alongside students.

"When this opportunity to donate to a worthy cause presented itself, my first and only thought was the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School," said Daniel LaPrairie, Black Bear Casino General Manager and FDLOS '90.

FABICash has had a longstanding partnership with the Fond du Lac Band since spring 2021, providing cash services at both casino properties. Initially, FABICash committed to making a \$5,000 charitable donation annually to a charity chosen by the Fond du Lac Band. After three years of successful collaboration, FABICash consolidated its contributions into a lump sum donation of \$15,000 to the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School, demonstrating its continued support for education and community development. Moving forward, FABICash remains committed to making annual \$5,000 donations to charities selected by the Fond du Lac Band.

"We are immensely grateful for this generous donation from FABICash, which will undoubtedly make a significant difference in the lives of our students," said Superintendent Tara Dupuis.

Moving forward, the FDLOS will collaborate with student ambassadors and teachers to maximize the impact of this donation. Plans include fulfilling teachers' wish lists, providing resources for enhanced educational experiences and through thoughtful planning, the goal of the school is to broaden learning opportunities that empower students to thrive.

"Being the cash access provider for Black Bear Casino, FABICash is thrilled to support the Fond du Lac Ojibwe School, enhancing education in their community. We're honored to contribute to the students' future and enjoyed meeting them and the staff," said Nick Rabito, VP of Sales.

FABICash, with a tradition of supporting Native American communities, has awarded over \$1,000,000 in scholarships to students. This donation to FDLOS underscores their dedication to education and community.

For more information about FABICash and its commitment to community, visit www.fabichash.com.

About Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Nagaajiwanaang, "Where the Water Stops," is the name of the homelands of the Fond du Lac Band at the time of the 1854 Treaty. We retained this name in Ojibwemowin for the present-day Fond du lac Reservation that was established under the 1854 La Pointe Treaty. Nagaajiwanaang (Fond du Lac Band) is one of the six Bands of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. There are three districts that make up the Fond du Lac Reservation: Bapashkominigong (Cloquet), Gwaaba'iganing (Sawyer), and Ashkibwaakaaning (Brookston). Today, our Band includes over 4,200 members. We have always been, and continue to be, a proud sovereign Ojibwe nation. We uphold all of our rights retained and agreed to within the 1825, 1826, 1837, 1842, 1847, and 1854 Treaties.