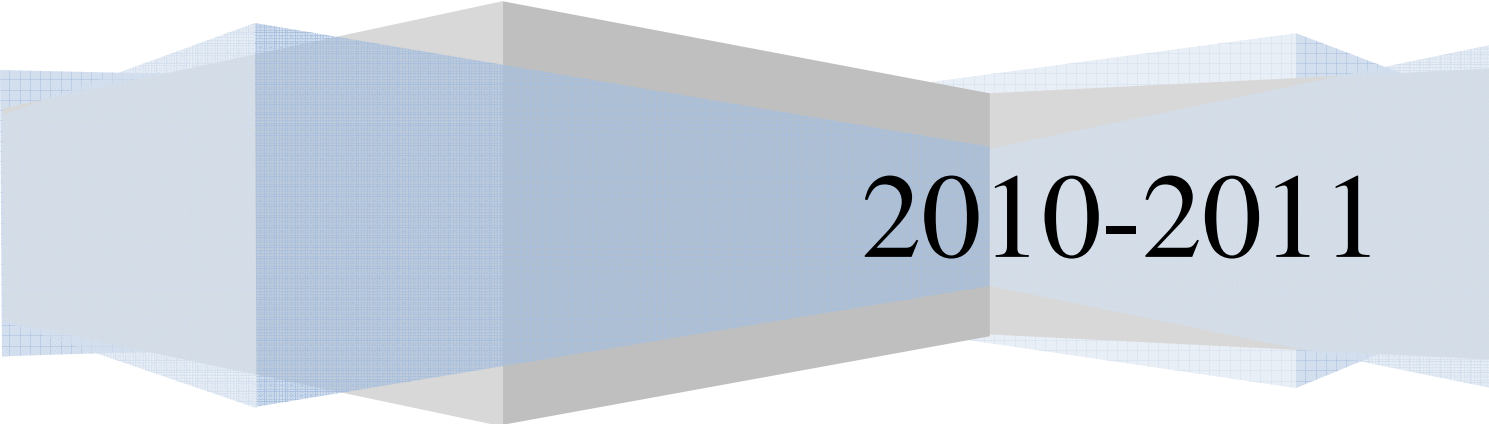


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# Part 1

Survey-Personal and Information Gathering

Glenna Beaucage



2010-2011

Creating  
**The Story of Nipissing**  
**Survey-Part 1**

**NBISIING TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE REVITALIZATION PROJECT**  
**Creative Communities Prosperity Fund**

- 1    Male \_\_\_                  Female \_\_\_
- 2    Age \_\_\_\_\_
- 3    People in your household. Mark how many in each age group
- Males                  Ages 0-6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7-12 \_\_\_\_\_
- 13-18 \_\_\_\_\_
- 19-55 \_\_\_\_\_
- 55+ \_\_\_\_\_
- Females                  Ages 0-6 \_\_\_\_\_
- 7-12 \_\_\_\_\_
- 13-18 \_\_\_\_\_
- 19-55 \_\_\_\_\_
- 55+ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4    Do you live on on Nipissing First Nation?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- In What community on Nipissing First Nation do you live in?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- 5    Did you grow up on Nipissing First Nation?    Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
- If yes, in what community? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4    If you have a family, did you raise your family on Nipissing First  
 Nation?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- If yes, in what community? \_\_\_\_\_

6 Do you or your immediate family participate in any band operated programs, such as cultural arts programs, community meetings, or health programs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If no, why not?

- No babysitter \_\_\_\_\_
- Working \_\_\_\_\_
- Too tired \_\_\_\_\_
- Illness \_\_\_\_\_
- Live away \_\_\_\_\_
- Addictions \_\_\_\_\_ (confidential - no judgement)
- Don't feel welcome \_\_\_\_\_
- Don't feel wanted \_\_\_\_\_
- Don't feel I can help \_\_\_\_\_
- Things seem hopeless \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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8 What do you see as the strengths of Nipissing First Nation?

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9 What do you see as the challenges facing Nipissing First Nation?

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10 Do you think that returning to our cultural teachings (the sacred circle) would make Nipissing First Nation a stronger, healthier and well balanced community?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Explain \_\_\_\_\_

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- 11 Do you think that our survival as Anishnaabek depends on our returning to traditional values and language?

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Explain \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- 12 Are you familiar with our Anishnaabek culture, tradition, language and customs?

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Would you like the opportunity to learn our Anishnaabek culture, tradition, language and customs?

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

- 13 Have you studied and understand the Robinson Huron Treaty? The Wampum Belt?

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Would you like the opportunity to learn about our treaty and the Great Wampum Belt?

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

- 14 Do you think to change the name “Nipissing First Nation” to “Nbisiing Anishnaabek” would be a more appropriate identification of our tribe? (Historically, our nation was described in this way).

Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Please take the time to complete the next few pages. You have until the end of September to complete this survey. Take your time to think about your answers. Feel free to express your true self. **This is your chance to say what you have to say about our community of Nipissing First Nation.**

Please return this completed survey to:

Nipissing First Nation Public Library  
24 Semo Road  
Garden Village, Ontario  
P2B 3K2

or by email to: [glennab@nfn.ca](mailto:glennab@nfn.ca)

If you need assistance to complete this survey, please contact Glenna Beaucage at 753-2050 if you live on reserve or in the local area: Sturgeon Falls and North Bay.

If you would like an electronic copy to complete on-line and return by email, please send request to above email address.

*LAST DAY TO COMPLETE SURVEYS:*  
**OCTOBER 1, 2010**

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## ***THE STORY OF NIPISSING***

### **NBISIING TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE REVITALIZATION PLAN 2010-11 Creative Communities Prosperity Fund**

**Dear Nipissing First Nation Band Member,**

To create the Story of Nipissing, we will need your input to tell us about:

- **What Nipissing First Nation was like before 1960?**
- **What Nipissing First Nation was like between 1960-1990?**
- **What is Nipissing First Nation like now? At the present?**
- **What would Nipissing First Nation be like if we were a healthy/balanced community?**
- **What has happened, and what do we have to do to get from where we are now to where we want to be? What needs to change? Who needs to be involved to make these changes?**

We need to think of all of these questions in different aspects of our life in the different stages listed above:

- 1) **Family Life**
- 2) **Elders**
- 3) **Economic Life (Work and Business)**
- 4) **Social Life**
- 5) **Cultural Life**
- 6) **Spiritual Life**
- 7) **Politics**
- 8) **Our environment**
- 9) **Fishing/Hunting/Trapping**
- 10) **Lands and Land Use**
- 11) **Education**
- 12) **Food/Nutrition**
- 13) **Native Medicines & Healing**
- 14) **Leisure Time**
- 15) **Caring/Sharing**
- 16) **Health & Well being**
- 17) **Robinson Huron Treaty/Wampum Belt**
- 18) **Safety**
- 19) **Substance Abuse**

It would be ideal if you could complete the entire survey, BUT if you are not sure of some of the questions, leave them blank.

For example:

- Younger people will not be able to complete the historical portion, or:
- people who did not reside on the reserve would not know reserve life as it was
- You may not be knowledgeable of some of the categories.

Most people, however, have an idea of how Nipissing First Nation would be as a healthy, whole community, and your opinions are still valuable.

*Every band member's opinion and story will be respected and honoured in this project. We are offering you an opportunity to share your knowledge of our history, your knowledge of what we now have, and to be a part of the change we need, separate from politics, on how to make our community the whole, healthy place we can be.*

Although the contents of the surveys will be made public to our community and become part of the Nipissing Story and part of the cultural mapping plan, your name will remain **confidential** to protect and respect your personal views.

All participants will be eligible to enter a draw for \$200.00 at the end of the project. We will need you to write your name and address to have your name entered into the draw.

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| <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <p>NFN Band Number: _____</p> |
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