

# Footprints An Art Project: Remembering the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls of Canada

## Please donate your shoes



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### The Project

Two Indigenous teenage sisters – inspired in part by the recent murder of their birth mother, as well as learning that the number of reported Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) across Canada is now estimated at 1,200 sisters – are collecting 1,200 pairs of shoes as part of an art-and-awareness project that will be displayed at the Awo Taan Healing Lodge's Sisters in Spirit event on October 4, 2016 at Olympic Plaza.

### Project Goals

- **Collect 1,200 pairs of good conditioned women's, girls, toddler and baby shoes, each pair to represent a missing and murdered Indigenous woman or girl in Canada**
- Create awareness about the issue of missing and murdered Indigenous women in Canada
- Generate discussions among non-native Canadians about this important issue
- Create commemorative public art to be displayed during the Awo Taan Healing Lodge annual Sisters in Spirit march on October 4, 2016
- Support domestic shelters and other non-profit organizations by donating all the shoes collected after the Sisters in Spirit event
- Engage Indigenous youth, elders and local agencies

**For more information or to support the project by donating or volunteering, please contact:**

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## SHOE DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

University of Calgary, Native Center  
MacEwan Student Centre  
(Above the Dairy Queen)  
Cheryle Chagnon Greyeyes  
Office MSC 397  
Telephone: 403 220 3091

Cree 8  
4504 Dalhart Road NW, Calgary  
Contact: Chantal  
Telephone: 403 404 7664

Social Workers for Indigenous Social Justice (SWISJ)  
7940 Springbank Blvd SW,  
Calgary  
Contact Jenlen  
Telephone: 403 998 3950  
(Shoes can be placed in red container located by the front door)

Vivo Center  
11950 Country Village Link NE  
Calgary  
Contact: Kimberly  
403 532 1013

**Pick up of shoes is available in Calgary area - call 403 998 3950**

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