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Recently, the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation shared the tragic news that the remains of 215 Indigenous children were discovered in an unmarked grave, at the site of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School.

All of us at Formula Contractors were devastated and heartbroken when we were made aware of this news. The impact of this is wide-spread, and our hearts go out to our Indigenous friends and all Indigenous peoples throughout Canada. This news highlights the work we must do to understand the true history of Canada's treatment of Indigenous peoples.

Please know that Formula, and our families, recognize the trauma and impact of residential schools does not lessen as time goes on. We hope and pray that if one ray of light from this grotesque act be available, that it is that this recent discovery brings some peace to the families of these 215 innocent children as these victims are finally respectfully, laid to rest within Mother Earth.

Formula will continue to have an open mind, with the intention to provide support where possible to ensure we remain present for the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation, and the Indigenous community in general. As we continue to process this national tragedy, we encourage everyone to take a moment to reflect on your intentions to be involved in both near term, to offer healing, and in the long term, as a contributory catalyst for change.

To demonstrate your support as a resource to contribute to action, please consider a donation to the Legacy of Hope Foundation. The Legacy of Hope Foundation is "a national Indigenous charitable organization with the mandate to educate and create awareness and understanding about the Residential School System, including the intergenerational impacts such as the removal of generations of Indigenous children from their families, including the Sixties Scoop, the post-traumatic stress disorders that many First Nations, Inuit, and Metis continue to experience, all while trying to address racism, foster empathy and understanding and inspire action to improve the situation of Indigenous Peoples today. The LHF supports the ongoing healing process of Residential School Survivors, and their families and seeks their input on projects that honour them".

Our firm will contribute to the Legacy of Hope Foundation and continue to be participatory in this journey of truth, reconciliation, and new opportunity to build respectful relationships together.

Sincerely,



Paul Tiefensee, CEO, Formula Contractors

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