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(Kahnawake – 9, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2017) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to inform the community that its Finance Administration and Operations (FAO) Committee has provided financial support to 37 initiatives from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017. A few examples of the recipients were:

- KSS Youth Exchange Program \$500
- Tetewatia'takehnhahs Purple Ribbon Walk \$350
- Lori Jacobs Recognition Award/Luncheon \$650
- Fire/Emergency Relief (2 families -\$1500 each) \$3000
- Kateri Memorial Foundation Winter Wonderland \$350
- Holiday Train Event \$500

Any Community member can view the entire list of recipients in person at the MCK main offices or by writing a letter to the FAO Committee.

As of March 31, 2017 a total of \$14,001.67 was expensed for the fiscal year 2016/17. As of April 1, 2017 a new budget of \$15,000.00 is allocated for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

About the FAO

The FAO Committee oversees and governs the administrative, operational and financial affairs on behalf of the MCK. Among its many responsibilities the Committee receives and approves donation requests, making decisions based on consultation and collaboration with proponents, while respecting financial limitations. Donation approvals are based upon the MCK Donation Policy and Procedures, which generally has a maximum contribution of \$500 (though exceptions can be made).

The FAO Committee is made up of three Council Chiefs and one MCK staff member. The current committee is comprised of Chiefs Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Arlene Jacobs and Kenneth McComber, and Employee Representative Andrea Montour (only the Chiefs have a vote in decisions). FAO meetings are observed by the Executive Director and Executive Financial Officer, who take part in discussions but have no vote. The FAO Committee is accountable directly to Chief and Council.