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Boozhoo Community Members,

The Comprehensive Community Plan (CCP) outlines eight areas of focus for the nation over the next 10 years. Many of those focus areas align with the *specific purposes* of the *Clench Fraud Trust Agreement*. A strategic plan for the Clench Fraud Trust would chart a course towards helping the nation to meet the goals outlined in the areas of focus as well as meet the purposes of the trust.

Once a strategic plan is drafted, the trustees and staff would have a guide to make resource decisions on specific initiatives over the next three years. In November 2012, trustees met over a two day period to begin the process. In January, the trustees mapped out seven focus areas that:

1. Meet specific goals in the CCP;
2. Could leverage partnerships with organizations with similar mandates; and,
3. Address key areas in the *specific purposes* of the CFT Agreement.

Our time in November was spent taking stock, looking at history and achievements to date, and articulating underlying values. In that session, we recognized some of the initiatives in the past were well-received and were worth repeating again. They are proposed in the draft. We also recognized more has to be done in other areas.

The following seven focus areas are meant to start the conversation and are for your consideration. We need your ideas on what strategies, initiatives, and/or programs are needed to meet these focus areas. We also need to hear if other priority areas are needed. We need your feedback. Here are the proposed areas for focus:

1. Benevolent Focus Area: *Youth and Education Strategy*
2. Housing Focus Area: *Existing Substandard Housing Strategy*
3. Economic Development Focus Area: *New and Existing Entrepreneurship*
4. Governance
5. Outreach and Communications
6. Improving Physical Space
7. Investment Strategy

Your voices as community stakeholders are so crucial in the development of a strategic plan at Clench Fraud Trust- please share your perspectives. A community meeting and on-line webcast opportunities are being planned beginning in April, please check back periodically for more information. The Trust looks forward to your feedback (see attachment).

In the Spirit of Nation Development,

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