

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation | September 30, 2026



On September 30, the National Council of Women of Canada honours the children who never returned home from residential schools, the Survivors, and the families and communities who continue to live with the system's intergenerational harms. We

acknowledge the profound injustice inflicted upon First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples and the responsibility we all share to confront its legacy.

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is a time to hear Survivors and Indigenous communities, understand this history, and renew our commitment to sustained action on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action, including in child welfare, education, language and culture, health, and justice.

Orange Shirt Day

September 30 is also **Orange Shirt Day.**

Inspired by residential school Survivor Phyllis Webstad's experience, its message, "Every Child Matters," reminds us that remembrance must be matched by a commitment to the safety, dignity and rights of Indigenous children today.

The NCWC reaffirms its commitment to truth, justice and reconciliation. We encourage members to participate in Indigenous-led commemorations and support meaningful action throughout the year.