

WAYNE HELGASON

EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS HELD:

Chief Executive Officer:

- **Social Planning Council of Winnipeg - May 1994 – Jan 2011**

Executive Director:

- **Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre Inc.- Winnipeg, MB - June 1989 - May 1994**

Senior Director of Resource Development

- **Northwest Child and Family Services Inc. - November 1986 - June 1989**

Supervisor of Social Workers

- **Northwest Child and Family Services - June 1984 - November 1986**

Social Worker

- **Children's Aid Society of Winnipeg - Feb 1982 - June 1984**

Mr. Helgason's other involvements include:

- **Centre for Aboriginal Human Resource Development (CAHRD)**– Current President;
- **Aboriginal Council of Winnipeg (ACW)** – President (2000-2003);
- **National Association of Friendship Centres (NAFC)** - President (Three Terms, 1993 - 1999);
- **Canadian Council on Social Development (CCSD)** – Board Chair (2007-present)
- **Aboriginal Centre of Winnipeg** - Charter Chairperson & Board Member (1989 to present);
- **Southern First Nations Network of Care** – Board Executive Member - Finance (2007-2011)
- **Aboriginal Aerospace Initiative (AAI)** – Treasurer (2008- present)
- **United Way of Canada** - Board of Directors (Appointed in 2001-2007)
- **Volunteer Canada** - Board of Directors - Elected 2005 to present
- **Canadian Science Centre for Human and Animal Health (Virology Lab)** - Community Liaison Committee - (1999 to 2007);
- **Aboriginal Health and Wellness Centre (Winnipeg)** - founding Board member and principal negotiator (1993); reappointed vice-chair 2010
- **North American Indigenous Games** - Host Committee - Board of Directors (2001 - 2002).
- **Canadian Armed Forces** - Military Recruitment and Retention Committee Member (2006-present)
- **Canada West Foundation** - Aboriginal Labour Force Advisory Committee (2003) and Building the New West Committee;
- **Joint Accord Table – writer - "The Accord" - Voluntary Sector Initiative** - (2001 to 2002);

- **Centre for Integrated Learning, Marsha Forrest Centre – York University** - Faculty member with John McKnight, Jack Pearpoint and John O'Brian (1996-present)
- **Centre of Excellence for Child and Youth Centred Prairie Communities** - Management Committee Member (2001 to 2003);
- **Social Justice Research Award 2000** - Recipient, for the Social Planning Council publication entitled: "***The Manitoba 1999 Child Poverty Report Card, An Agenda for Action,***" sponsored by the University of Manitoba and the Jesuit Centre for Catholic Studies (March 2000);
- **Queen's Jubilee Award** - Nominated by Volunteer Canada (2003);

In addition to lecturing locally on such varied topics as children at risk, poverty, employment and training, Aboriginal self-government, human rights and social security reform, Mr. Helgason has been a contract lecturer at the University of Toronto - Faculty of Preventative Medicine, Banff School of Management and the Canadian Centre for Management Development in Ottawa.

Mr. Helgason is also a published writing contributor to:

- **The Canadian Institute for Child Health "*Health of Canada's Children*"** - poverty chapter;
- **Canadian Council on Social Development's "*Progress of Canada's Children*"** -1998, 1999;
- **Urban Aboriginal Governance in Canada** -produced with the Law Commission of Canada -1997 (1997).
- **Canadian Dimension** – article on the evolution of Aboriginal Control of Child Welfare -2008

Mr. Helgason is a graduate of Carleton University (BA 1973) and has participated in a Certificate program at Harvard University (2000) on Negotiation and Nation Building, focused specifically on Aboriginal community and economic development.

Mr. Helgason is a band member of Sandy Bay First Nation, Manitoba and he and his family have recently acquired a secondary residence on the Tsawout First Nation, Vancouver Island, British Columbia to be closer to their grandchildren.

