

## **E.A.S.E.** External. Access. Secure. Efficient.

Anytime. Anywhere. Accounting and Bookkeeping Done with EASE.

In today's economic environment, it is more important than ever for Indigenous communities to have the necessary financial management tools and resources in place. Implementing effective financial reporting following sound internal controls will provide you with real-time information so you can make real-time decisions that help you achieve your goals for both your business and community.

An on-going challenge for Indigenous communities across Canada is the growing demand for accounting professionals. Based upon high demand and increasing success of Indigenous communities, there are not enough qualified human resources to assist with the financial requirements, especially in more remote locations. While MNP proudly supports organizations such as Aboriginal Finance Officers Association (AFOA) Canada and the Martin Aboriginal Initiative to build capacity and recruit new students to the accounting profession, there remains a gap between need and availability.

## How MNP Can Help

In recent years, we have seen incredible advancements in technology within accounting. This technological shift has introduced new methodologies and systems that allow our Indigenous Services team to provide EASE Services – which can help support your community while identifying potential risks or opportunities, from virtually anywhere.

Our in-depth suite of EASE services can provide more timely data to leadership, improving budget monitoring, internal reporting and allowing for increased transparency. This will reduce costs, which in turn frees up funds for other community projects and business endeavors.

## **Community Engagement Is Key**

At MNP, we are always looking for meaningful and sustainable ways to position Indigenous peoples and communities for prosperity and growth. For this reason, whenever possible we provide training and mentorship on financial management to community members seeking to enhance their skill and career development. Working together, we can build capacity development, creating community leaders who will help you identify new opportunities not just today, but for years to come.



| Outsourced Accounting and<br>Bookkeeping Services  | Capacity Building and Training   | Other Services  |
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| <ul> <li>Bank reconciliations</li> <li>Accounting</li> <li>Financial reporting</li> <li>Document management</li> <li>Bookkeeping</li> <li>Data entry</li> <li>Audit preparation</li> <li>External Financial Advisor</li> <li>GST claims</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Customized learning plans for finance<br/>managers and leadership</li> <li>Financial coaching and mentoring</li> <li>Facilitation of annual planning and<br/>budgeting sessions</li> <li>Monthly reporting training for the band and<br/>finance managers</li> <li>Assistance with internal controls and<br/>financial administration policies</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Accounting software</li> <li>Implementation</li> <li>Workflow management and business process improvement</li> </ul> |

## About MNP

MNP is a leading national accounting, tax and business consulting firm to more than 250 Indigenous nations and individuals in Canada. We have invested more time and resources into understanding our Indigenous clients than any other firm. With more than 300 dedicated professionals serving this unique client group, MNP has developed a diverse suite of services designed to support our client's path to success.



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