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Thoughts from the Executive Director

I want first to remember our Shining Mountains family members who have left us for the other side over the past year. Your strength and spirits guide us, challenge us and keep us faithful. The service, efforts and freely provided support of our volunteers, APHAS and students has created a foundation of compassion, belief and respect.

I want also to extend my deepest appreciation and gratitude to the agency staff and Board of Directors of Shining Mountains. Your support and steadfastness allows our agency to provide the best of services to Aboriginal people dealing with HIV/AIDS, homelessness, poverty and violence. Shining Mountains Living Community Services is the only Aboriginal AIDS organization operating in Alberta to receive funding from both federal and provincial governments to address HIV/AIDS.

SMLCS has been able to build strong partnerships with Aboriginal AIDS organizations over the years and this past year has seen the development of healthy partnerships beginning within the provincial AID services in Alberta. This has enhanced our ability to support and develop culturally safe and effective services for Aboriginal people locally and provincially.

It is my pleasure and honor to continue representing Shining Mountains Living Community Services. Thank you all for your trust and faith.

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Executive Director