



Together we can keep the momentum. As we move forward together, I pledge to leave no member behind. I pledge to be the leader Kehewin wants and needs. Together we have achieved great things, and together I know we can go even farther. In September 2018, a vote for me is a vote for partnership, transparency, modernization and alignment with Traditional ways. Aiy Aiy for your faith in me so far, and I promise to continue to represent Kehewin to the best of my ability at all venues, tables and negotiations. Naniskomtinaw.

Chief Brenda Vanguard 2018.

Vote Chief Brenda Vanguard September 2018

Keep the Momentum



A Vote for Brenda is a Vote for:
Maintaining a Nation-to-Nation Relationship
Transparency and Accountability
Modernization of Kehewin's Infrastructure

Today marks the first step of a longer journey of a partnership and a moment of renewed relationships.

August 2018

Platform

Maintaining a Nation-to-Nation Relationship

- I pledge to continue working with both Crown's to ensure Kehewin's interests and Treaty Rights are protected and brought to fruition
- Ongoing dialogues to settle long-standing claims such as the Treaty Land Entitlement, Rebel Bands and Cows and Plows
- We will work together to ensure that the Tribal Councils, Band-owned Businesses, Treaty Organizations and National Organizations properly and accurately convey Kehewin's approach to strengthening relationships

Transparency and Accountability

- Over the last term, the Kehewin Custom Election Code has been updated and moved beyond the Indian Act. This work will continue to involve Elders and Youth in the decision making of our Nation.
- Important decisions and settlements will continue to be brought before membership for their approval and support.
- Ongoing conversations and dialogue around the modernization of Kehewin's membership code to challenge any Federal decisions, and ownership placed into memberships hands to determine future direction.

Modernization of Kehewin's Infrastructure

- We will continue to ensure our youth have the best environment to learn, have fun and prosper in as their new school takes shape in the years to come.
- We have worked with both governments to finally lift the boil-water advisory for all members in our community by 2020.
- I pledge to continue to advance our infrastructure, housing and amenities to benefit all members of Kehewin and ensure our Nation can compete in a changing economy by exploring Green Energy projects.
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Reconnection With Traditional Ways

- Our leadership will continue to work with our Elders, seeking guidance and teachings in the old ways of governance.
- Balance between traditional and contemporary ways of knowing will be applied to policy, procedures and governance to assert Kehewin's sovereignty in Treaty No. 6 Territory.
- Celebration, acceptance and adherence to the obligations outlined in Treaty No. 6 will continue to be a priority as Kehewin moves forward with out Treaty partners.

Kehewin Cree Nation as a Leader

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Achievements as Chief of Kehewin 2015-2018

- Recognized by the Institute for the Advancement of Aboriginal Women with the Dorothy Macdonald Leadership Award for Lifetime Achievement.
- Worked to establish and partner with a committee to update and advance the Kehewin Custom Election Code. Which was passed through referendum vote by membership.
- Worked with partners from both levels of government to attain funding for and break ground for the new Kehewin Water Treatment Plant. This will end the long-standing boil water advisory for Kehewin upon completion.
- Worked with partners from both levels of government to secure funding to build a new school in Kehewin which will allow our youth to achieve new heights in a state of the art education centre. Sod turning slated for October 2018.
- Worked with the Assembly of First Nations by being appointed to the Women's Council. This will examine policies and encourage more women to seek leadership roles across the country and in their own communities.
- Continued to work with and strengthen the leadership and support from organizations like Tribal Chiefs Ventures by serving as Chair.
- Received invitation and attended the Womens Forum with the G7 in 2017. This international event brought together female leaders from across the globe to discuss current states, possible initiatives and best practices to helping women achieve more in the 21st century.
- Worked with membership and technicians to establish a housing committee for the Nation. This will assist us in attaining new funding, plans and approaches to addressing housing shortfalls in Kehewin.
- Appointed to the Technical Services Advisory Groups (TSAG) board of directors. This organization provides training and technical advice to member nations and their people.
- Explored and attained certification to the First Nations Financial Authority which opens new avenues for Kehewin to attain funding streams to allow for more development in our territories which will create new employment opportunities for membership.
- Successfully negotiated long-standing claims with the Crown. Ongoing dialogue and negotiation to settle other high-profile claims like Cows and Plows, Treaty Land Entitlement and Rebel Bands with other First Nation partners.
- Nominated the first female Regional Chief of Alberta Marlene Poitras.