

# 900 Indigenous Youth to attend Indspire's Soaring: Indigenous Youth Empowerment Gathering

*To be hosted in Winnipeg March 22, 2018*

OH, ON, CANADA, March 20, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Indspire, the largest funder of Indigenous post-secondary education outside the federal government, announced a new multi-year agreement naming [TD Bank](#) Group as their Lead Bank Supporter, and Presenting Corporate Sponsor of the annual Soaring: [Indigenous Youth](#) Empowerment Gathering set to take place this year at the Winnipeg Convention Centre on March 22nd, 2018.

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Indigenous Youth Empowerment Gathering

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*Roberta L. Jamieson,  
President and CEO of  
Indspire*

Since 1996, over 44,000 Indigenous youth have attended powerful Soaring events. This year is no exception. 900 First Nation, Inuit, and Métis high school students from across Canada will gather in Winnipeg to explore and learn about a myriad of career and post-secondary education options. This empowerment gathering will provide students with key opportunities to participate in hands-on career workshops, meet Canada's top employers and learn about financial support available to them, including Indspire's own scholarships and bursaries. The gathering is designed to equip Indigenous youth with the tools and knowledge to dream big and aim high, and ultimately to close the gap in Indigenous education.

“We are especially delighted to have TD deepen their long-standing relationship with our Indspire family – their leadership and shared vision to work with us is helping to secure a brighter future for Indigenous youth,” said Roberta Jamieson, President and CEO of Indspire.

"At TD, we are committed to doing our part to lead change through employment, education and the support of Indigenous economic development," said Kerry Peacock, Executive Vice President, Day to Day Banking, Investing and Transformation, and Chair, Indigenous Peoples Committee, TD Bank Group. "We are thrilled to strengthen our ongoing partnership with Indspire."

Hosted by multi-award winning Indigenous journalist, Shaneen Robinson, this year's Soaring event will feature live entertainment, including Inuit throat singer, Nikki Komaksiutiksak, Métis folk singer, Ila Barker, First Nations Round Dance and Beats, Bryden Gwiss Kiwenzie, together with a special performance by one of this year's 2018 Indspire Awards Recipients and Youth Hoop Dancer, Theland

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Location: Winnipeg Convention  
Centre  
375 York Ave  
Winnipeg, MB R3C 3J3  
Date: Thursday, March 22nd, 2018  
Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm

Thank you to our partners!

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#### About Indspire:

Indspire is an Indigenous-led national charity that invests in the education of Indigenous people for the long-term benefit of these individuals, their families and communities, and Canada. With the support of its funding partners, Indspire invests in First Nations, Inuit, and Métis students so they will achieve their highest potential. In 2016-2017, Indspire awarded \$11.6 million through 3,764 bursaries and scholarships to First Nations, Inuit and Métis students across Canada. For more information about Indspire visit [indspire.ca](http://indspire.ca).

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