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This resource is for Friends
and Quaker communities
seeking to actively work
towards the decolonization
of Canada through actions
including reparations.



Truth and reconciliation: Quakers and reparations

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Are you ready to move beyond good intentions and into real action for reconciliation? No matter where you are on your reconciliation journey, our new resource *Truth and reconciliation: Quakers and reparations* has some practical ideas and advice for you. It's primarily aimed at Quaker Meetings, but any settlers in Canada will find something useful here.

The resource explains some big topics: truth, reconciliation, and reparations. Most importantly, it helps you discern what reparations could look like in your own context—from learning and relationship-building to advocacy, land return, financial restitution,

and support for cultural revitalization work.

The resource includes not only clear steps you can take, but also inspiring case studies from faith communities that are at different places on the journey.

Download [Truth and reconciliation: Quakers and reparations](#) (PDF).



CFSC welcomes new Indigenous Rights Program Coordinator Sarah Bear!

We're excited to welcome the newest member of our small staff team, Sarah Bear! Sarah is Wolastoqey from Neqotkuk (Tobique First Nation). She holds a Master of Public Policy and Global Affairs from the University of British Columbia.

Prior to joining CFSC her work has focused on Indigenous rights, governance, and community-led approaches to policy and advocacy. Her previous roles have spanned Indigenous education, policy, research, and teaching, including work supporting Indigenous post-secondary students and teaching English in South Korea.

Sarah believes that meaningful change begins with listening, relationship-building, and a willingness to learn from others. Outside of work, she enjoys reading, hiking, trying new recipes, and rarely turns down the chance to watch a hockey or football match.

Learn more about CFSC's [Indigenous rights work](#).



You might have a problem with being too permissive

Many of us think that letting people say or do whatever they're going to is kind or respectful. Our latest post for *Psychology Today* explores why that might be misguided: <https://QuakerService.ca/Permissive>

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**Cost to incarcerate a woman in
Canada for one year**

**Featured resource: *Cui Bono* report executive
summary and infographic**

Incarceration is extremely expensive. Alternatives are both cheaper and more effective at reducing reoffending. [This executive summary and infographic](#) shine a light on the companies profiting from incarceration in Canada.