

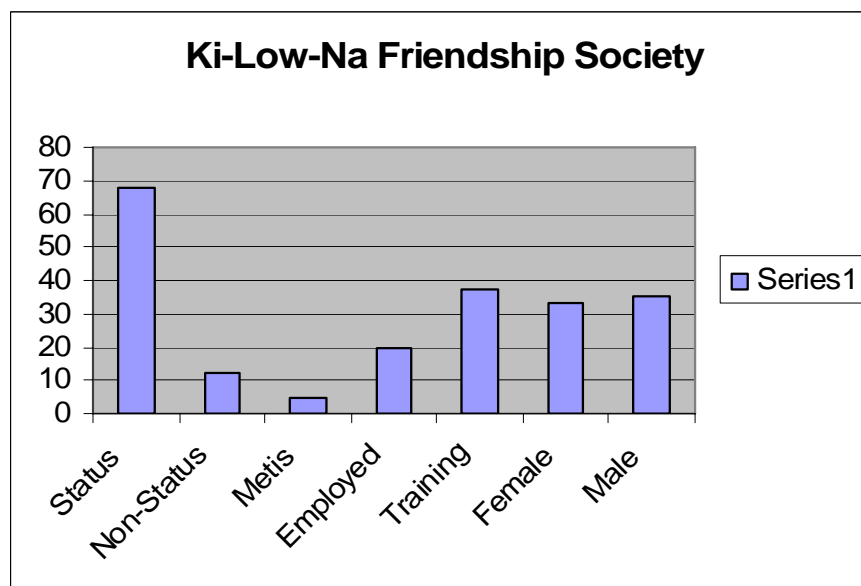
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Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society Employment Services.

Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society continues to support and promote employment opportunities and individual training options. Clients are assessed by using the Essential Skills Profiles to evaluate their employment-related needs and improve their employability in order to enter into the labor market and to obtain sustainable employment. We offer such services as career planning, job search, resume writing and education planning. The KFS employment services offer Course Seat Purchases, Targeted Wage Subsidies, Job Development, Youth/Student development that are funded by Okanagan Training Development Council. Clients can access our job board and also learn basic computer skills to help them increase typing speed, learn the internet or just access the world wide market. I also work closely with employers to gather information with in the labor market to share with my clients. I continue to upgrade my skills to better work with individuals and I am involved with various community agencies as a board member to be involved with community planning to better enhance the lives of urban aboriginal people.

Training that has been sponsored at:

Okanagan College	Automotive repair and collision Welding Human Service Worker Carpentry Plumbing
UBC	Aboriginal Access Program
Focus Institute	Office Administration Security Private Investigator
Marvel	Hairdresser Esthician Nail Technician



Other Training has also been offered for Foodsafe, First Aid level 1 and 3, Flagging Certification to name a few. Partnerships were formed with Service Canada, Community Futures and various Bands to share costs of training programs.

The highlights of the year would be Darren Sam who has completed his 4th year in RV Tech and Floyd Baptiste who has also completed 4th year in Carpentry at Okanagan College
Sabrina Collie has completed 1st year culinary arts at Okanagan College and she now works full time and also does catering for office meetings and private functions.



Sabrina Collie – Employed at Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society

The Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society Employment Services have been busy and I am averaging approximately 6 clients per day as well as phone calls and walk-in clients looking for general information. OTDC continues to support training options for various clients who have now found sustainable employment.

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