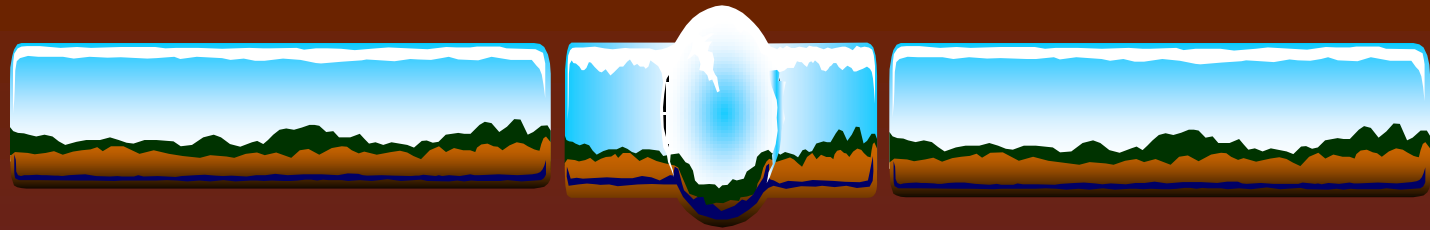




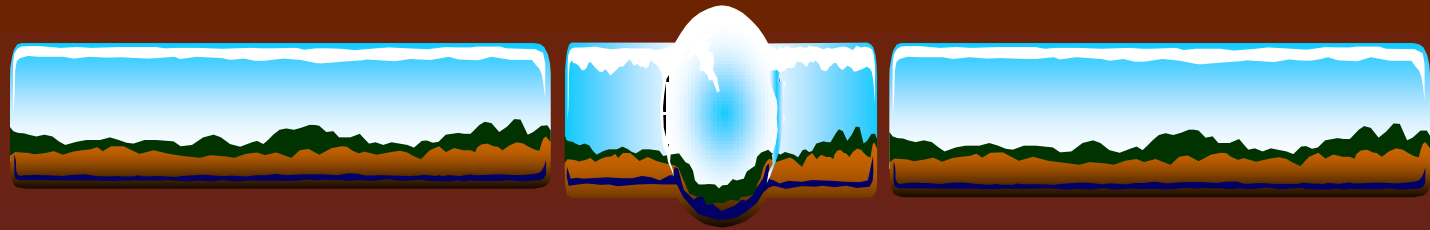
Cree Justice Symposium Presentation



Issues faced by Mistissini

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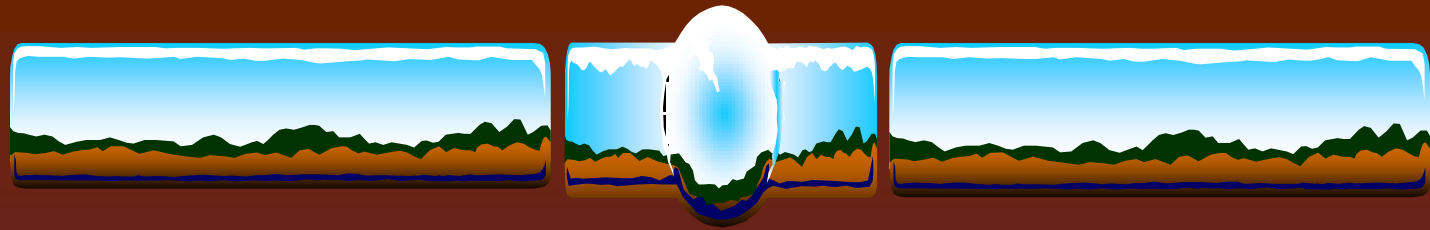
- Conjugal/domestic
- Bullying
- Knife incidences
- Gun incidences
- Assaults
- Suicide
- Sexual abuse



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2. Drug and alcohol abuse

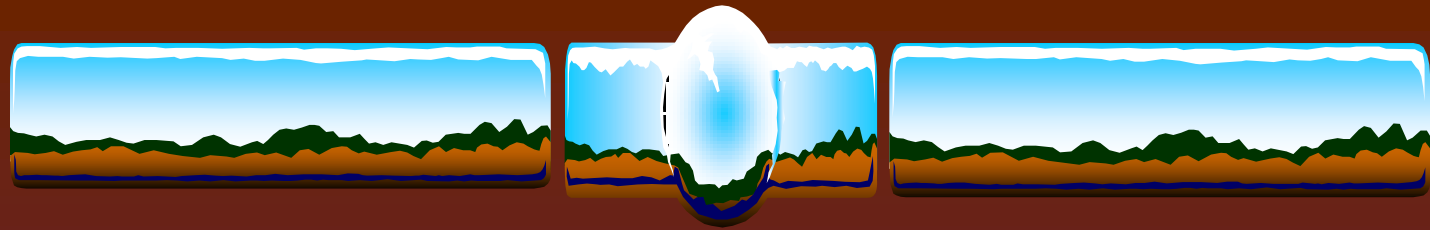
- Trafficking
- Bootlegging
- Drinking in public
- Under age drinking



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3. Vandalism

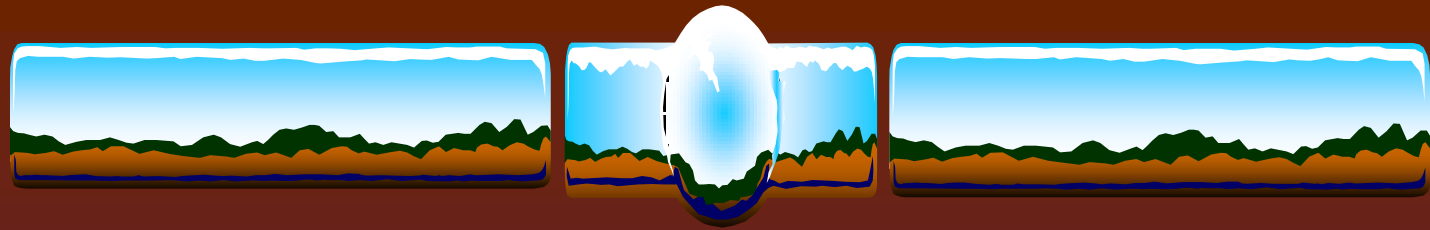
- Breaking and entry
- Breaking windows in public place (ex: Schools, band office)
- Graffiti
- Damages to personal properties (ex: Vehicles and ski-doo's)
- Arson



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4. Thefts

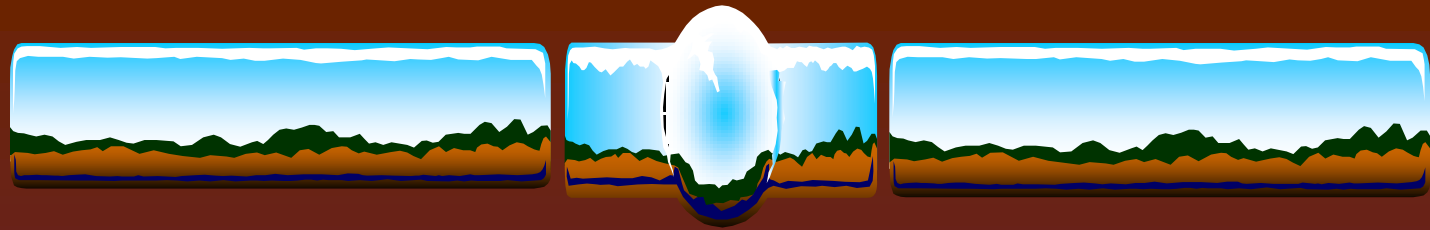
- Houses are vandalized and personal property stolen and sold
- Cabins along the road are broken into
- Ski-doo's are stolen, parts are stolen and sold
- Target areas for break-ins are: Bank, store and band office



Issues faced by Mistissini

5. Parenting issues

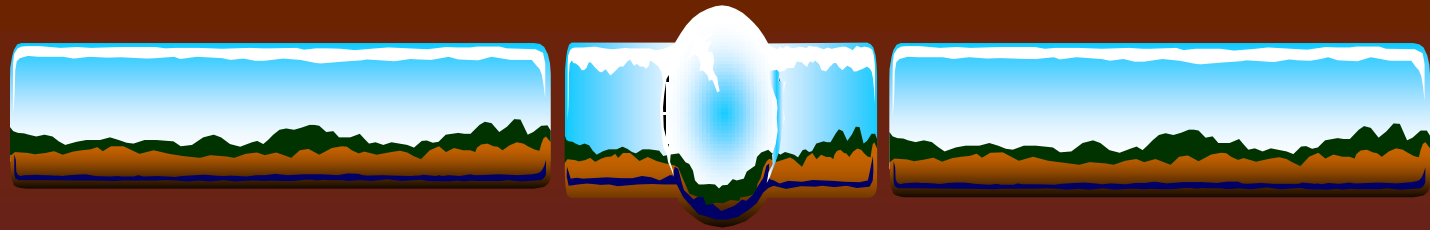
- Lack of parenting skills
- Lack of supervision of child (ren) by parents
- Lack of discipline for our children
- Parents are too defensive and protect their children from retribution
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- Parents do not teach moral responsibilities to their children
- Parents do not teach their children to respect people or anybody



Issues faced by Mistissini

6. Safety issues

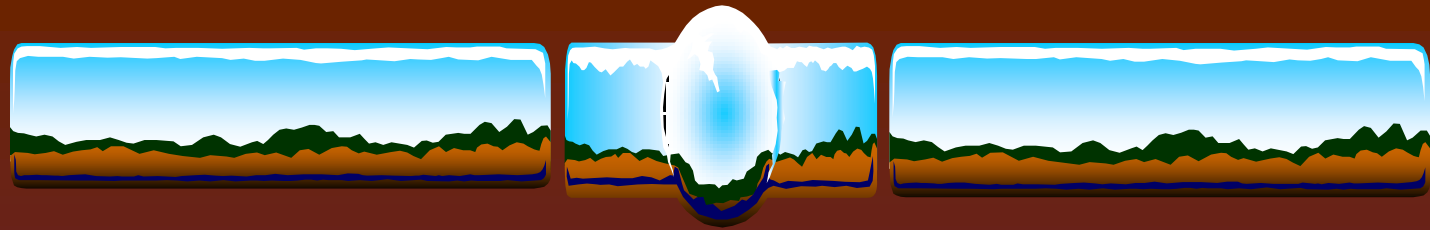
- Under age children on ski-doo's and on four wheelers
- lack of enforcement local/traffic by laws
- Gangs/gang related activities
- No respect for curfews by-law by children and parents



Issues faced by Mistissini

7. Big big issues

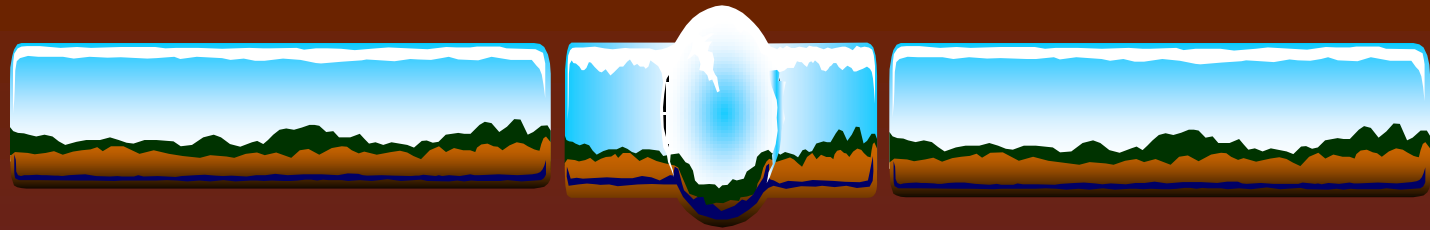
- Inability to prosecute bootleggers and drug dealers
- Backlog of court cases
- Court unable to process as soon as possible
- Sometimes cases are prescribed therefore many cases are not tried and offender gets away with the crime
- Unreported crimes



Suggestion

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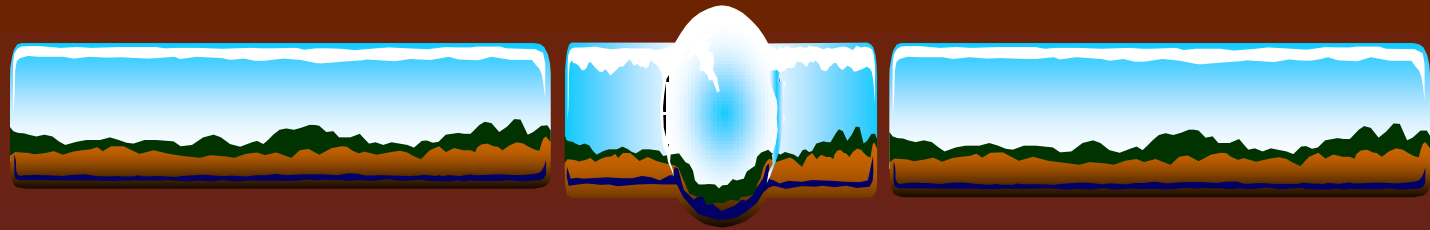
- Prosecute all serious violent offences immediately
- All youth should take a gun safety course before using a gun
- Lock up all guns
- All person who are implicated in violent behaviour should be obligated to take anger management workshops



Suggestion

2. Drug and Alcohol Abuse

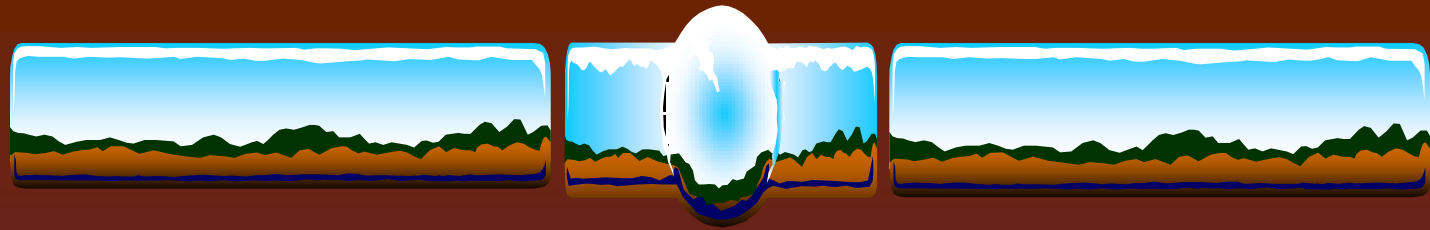
- Encourage community members to report trafficking and bootlegging crime
- Drugs and alcohol awareness, prevention and education (ex: Workshops)
- Enforce public drinking by-law
- Number one address trafficking and bootlegging issues



Suggestion

3. Vandalism

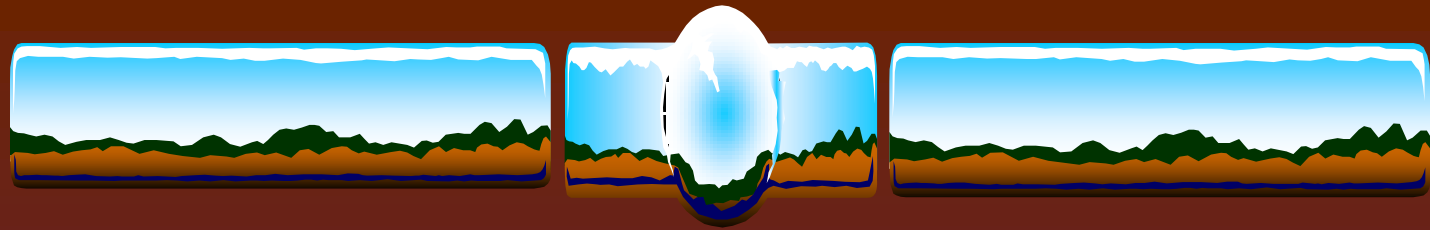
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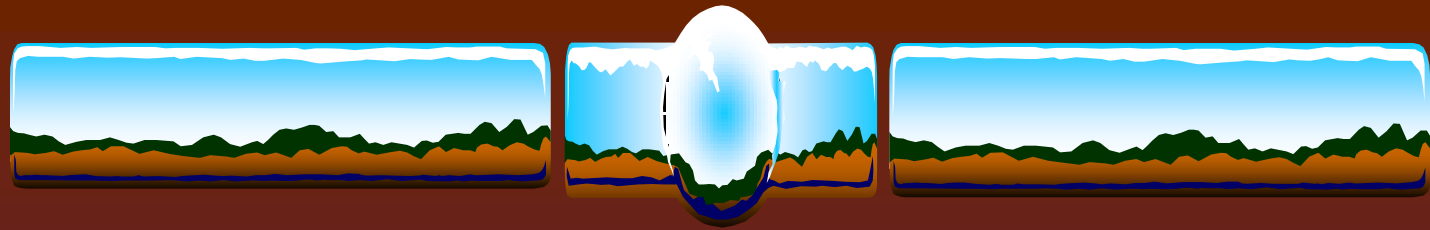
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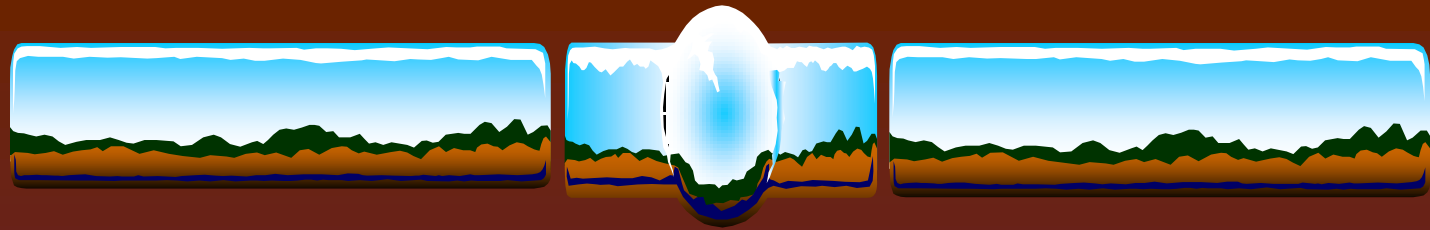
- Provide support and assistance to parents
- Utilize the wisdom of the elders to teach values of respect, love caring and sharing
- Justice system to find a way that support services and obligated attendance of certain workshops for parents of high risk children
- Court ordered participation



Suggestion

6. Safety issues:

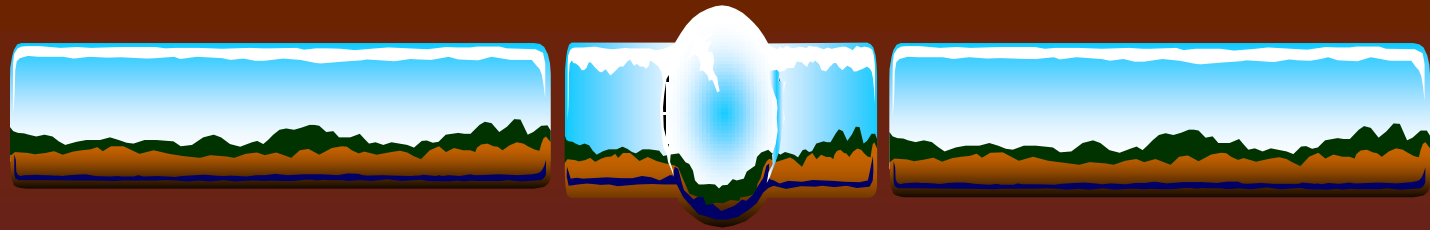
- Enforce all trafficking bylaws for all kinds of motor vehicles
- Parents to take full responsibility to assure that bylaws are respected by their children
- Police to enforce bylaws and community to provide assistance and support
- Gangs/gang related activities
- Inform and educate our children about the consequences of gangs and related activities
- Prevention/awareness/education



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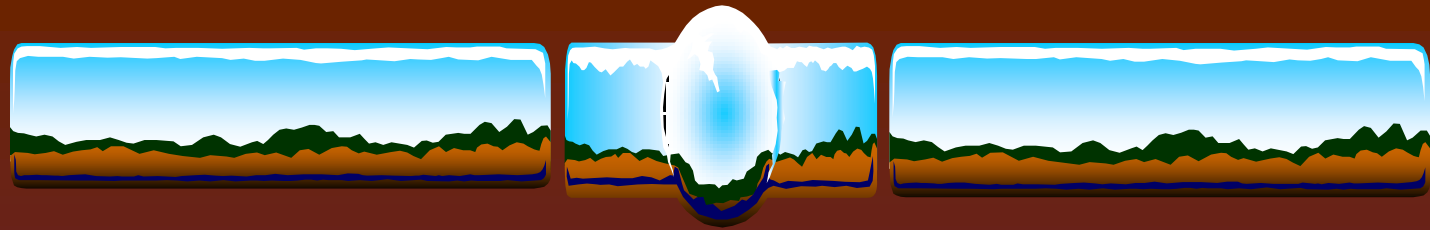
7. Big big issues

- Trafficking and bootlegging
- Throw the book at them
- Do everything and anything
- Exhaust all avenues to prosecute them
- Court system needs improvement in the process of cases in a timely fashion
- Develop a witness protection program so that our people are not scared to report and ensure absolute confidentiality of informant



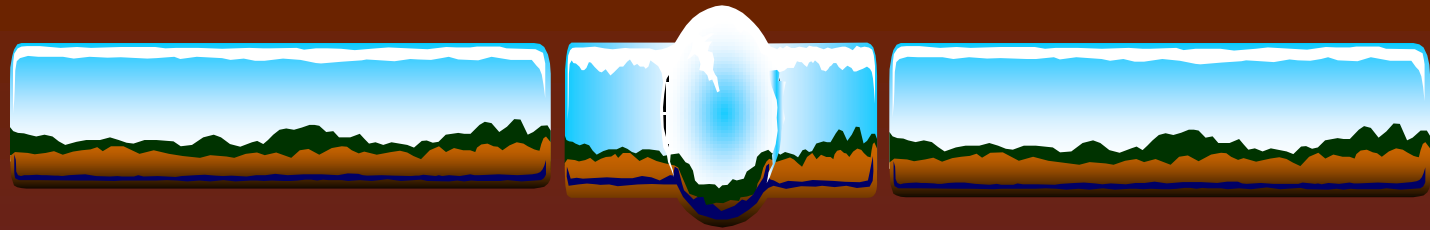
General suggestions

- Develop culturally appropriate community based programs and services
- Develop training programs for Cree members who will work in the justice system
- Incorporate traditional ways/methods of justice
- Ensure ongoing consistent community consultation regarding the justice system



Support from the Cree Regional Authority

- Funding for community initiatives
- Encourage community to develop their own programs/services
- To provide professional support if needed
- To provide the means for the communities to train local people to ensure that the justice system functions to the fullest potential
- To organize regional training/awareness on justice system



What will we contribute?

- Cree Nation of Mistissini's contribution
- Intelligence and creativity of our local people
- Commitment to improve system
- To continue with the local youth and adult justice panel
- Continue to address social issues in collaboration with Cree justice system

Our Community



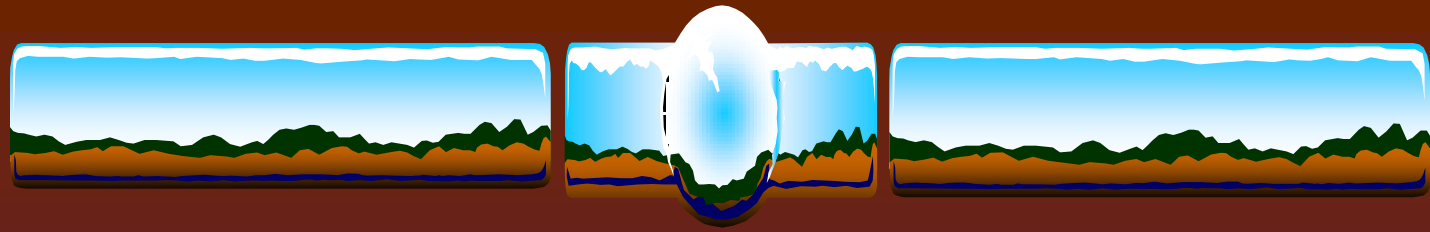
Clubhouse

This is where your child
may be hanging out

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Mediation

- Conflict is when two people fight. It could be any body at any age. Conflict start from a argument, shouting at each other, punching and kicking
- People can choose to talk. You can choose mediation rather than courts, by using a mediator (Counsellor) conflicts can be resolved.
- After a mediation people forgive each other and continue with their lives. Instead of having guilt inside you for what happened or just ignoring conflicts it creates frustration.
- Justice panel offers mediation for our community.



Together



We Can Achieve