**Red Dress Day – Resources and Ideas**

**Resources**

* Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, Two Spirit+ (MMIWG2S+) National Inquiry [Final Report](https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report/)
* MMIWG2S+ Final Report - [Calls for Justice](https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/Calls_for_Justice.pdf)
* [Database for MMIWG](https://www.cbc.ca/missingandmurdered/) (\*\*not an exhaustive database. Some estimate the number of MMIWG2S+ individuals to number as many as 4000).
* MMIWG2S+[2021 National Action Plan](https://mmiwg2splus-nationalactionplan.ca/)
* [Ally Toolkit](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/86d28ccd43d4be0cfc11c71a1/files/102bf040-e221-4953-a9ef-9f0c5efc3458/Ally_email.pdf)
* [Being a Genuine Ally](https://www.amnesty.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/10-ways-to-be-a-genuine-ally-to-Indigenous-communities.pdf)
* [Beyond Red Dress Day: Seven Calls to Action for Indigenous Allies](https://www.aptnnews.ca/national-news/beyond-red-dress-day-7-calls-to-action-for-indigenous-allies/)
* [Safe Passage](https://safe-passage.ca/)
* [Native Women’s Association of Canada](https://www.nwac.ca/)
* [Little Red Dress Project](https://lilreddressproject.ca/about-us/)

**Books**

* Missing Nimama, Melanie Florence (Cree); illustrated by François Thisdale (2015) – ***for children***
* If I Go Missing, Brianna Jonnie (Ojibway), Nahannii Shingoose (Ojibway / Saaulteaux) (2021) – ***graphic novel for teens***
* Will I See?, David Alexander Robinson (Cree), Iskwé (Cree / Métis), Leslie Erin; illustrated by, GMB Chomichuk & Erin Leslies (2016) – ***graphic novel for teens***
* Surviving the City, Vol. 1, Tasha Summer-Spillett (Cree); illustrated by Natasha Donovan (Métis) (2019) – ***graphic novel for teens***
* Keetsahnak: Our Missing and Murdered Indigenous Sisters, Kim Anderson (Cree / Métis), Christii Belcourt (Métis), Maria Campbell (Métis) (2018)
* Highway of Tears, Jessica McDiarmid (2019)
* Forever Loved: Exposing the Hidden Crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada, Jennifer Brant (Kanien’kehc:Ka) and Dawn Memee Lavell-Harvard (Anishinabe) (2016)
* Stolen Sisters, Emmanuelle Walter (2015)
* Seven Fallen Feathers, Tanya Talaga (Anishinaabe) (2017)
* Five Little Indians, Michelle Good (Cree) (2020)

**To Donate**

* [Little Red Dress Project](https://lilreddressproject.ca/donate/)
* [Native Women Association of Canada](https://www.nwac.ca/donate/)

**To Advocate**

Consider writing to your local, provincial or the following federal government officials to raise concerns, advocate for more funding and prevention and the rights of MMIWG2S+ and their families.

* The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada ([justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca))
* The Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Indigenous Services ([patty.hajdu@parl.gc.ca](mailto:patty.hajdu@parl.gc.ca))
* The Honourable Marc Miller, Minister of Crown & Indigenous Relations ([Marc.Miller@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Marc.Miller@parl.gc.ca))

**To Acknowledge the Day**

* Consider hanging a red dress on your property (in a tree, in a window, on your porch)
* Place red hearts or red feathers in your window
* Print a feather image (see attached PDF file for options) on a red card and write a prayer for those MMWIG2S+
* engage in congregational / community prayer by writing the names of those murdered or missing on a red card, perhaps make it a continuous prayer from May 5th (Day of Awareness of MMIWG2S+) to October 4th (Day of Action MMIWG2S+). Hang the cards on the wall of the sanctuary or in a public gathering place.
* Attend a local vigil.
* Read, study, learn, listen and pray.