



Laili Yazdani

Community Policing Award

Civilian Member Laili Yazdani, is the Community Program Officer for the RCMP at the Onion Lake Detachment. Her duties require continuous interaction with community members including, youth, Chief and Council of Onion Lake Cree Nation. These interactions along with her duties with the RCMP have provided Ms. Yazdani with a unique perspective of Onion Lake.

With a vast knowledge of the needs of the community, Ms. Yazdani strives to provide information that the residents require to succeed, by promoting educational workshops on:

1. Treaty Six First Nations Gang Strategy
2. Cyberbullying
3. Personal safety
4. Sexual abuse/sexual assault prevention
5. Healthy relationships

Laili avails herself as a facilitator. She mentors two participants who are involved in the National Youth Leadership Workshop. This mentorship has resulted in the delivery of a:

1. Fentanyl community awareness session
2. Youth suicide prevention program
3. DIY group to prevent youth involvement and gangs

In early 2018 Laili, in partnership with Ekweskeet Healing Lodge, created a music project in response to community feedback and crime prevention programming needs. The goal of the project was to increase youth resilience and positive coping

strategies through music skills. The project was launched in July 2018, involving 15 youths from the Onion Lake Cree Nation.

In Oct. 2018, Laili coordinated two audition sessions with N'We Jinan, a mobile recording studio and video production team. This resulted in six of the finalists completing a song writing workshop and recording a music video that identified issues that they had experienced or witnessed in the community. The song and music video "Young & Happy" discusses youth mental health, young relationships and parenthood, Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, and addictions. The video was released in Nov. 2018, and has had 157,000 views on social media.

Laili Yazdani is a Civilian Member of the RCMP, who is dedicated to delivering Community Programming, making positive decisions and lifestyle changes.

The Saskatchewan Association of Chiefs of Police is proud to present Laili Yazdani with the Excellence in Policing "Community Policing Award".