

Congratulations to the Madawaska Maliseet Nation on receiving the Community of the Year award at the National CANDO Conference, held this past October.

Cando is an organization, that promotes Indigenous economic development across Canada.

In 2013, the Madawaska Maliseet Nation opened the Grey Rock Power Centre which includes a multi-purpose entertainment centre, and one of Atlantic Canada's largest truck stops.

We would like to recognize Chief Patricia Bernard and former Chief Joanna Bernard, for their leadership in advancing the Madawaska Maliseet Nation toward becoming an economically self-sustaining community, and being a major employer in the Edmundston area.

I would also like to congratulate Joanna Bernard who led the development of the Centre and who is now CEO of the corporation, for being nominated for Cando's economic development officer of the year.