

**COUNCIL REPORT**

**To:** Mayor and Council  
**From:** Councillor Wright  
**Date:** February 4, 2025  
**Subject:** NCLGA and UBCM Resolutions – Foundry

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*The date for this motion to be considered is at the February 24, 2025 Regular Council Meeting.*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council directs staff to submit the following resolution to NCLGA and UBCM:

“Whereas youth in rural and remote British Columbia are facing mental health and wellness challenges just like their peers in urban centers,”

“Whereas Foundry BC in-person Centers are largely located in urban British Columbia and not accessible for youth in rural and remote BC communities,”

“Therefore, be it resolved that NCLGA and UBCM lobby the Provincial Government, commit to establishing in-person Foundry Centre's that meet the needs of rural and remote youth in their home communities, that recognizes the unique challenges of youth living in rural and remote communities.”

**RATIONALE:**

1. The services offered by Foundry BC are needed by the youth in Mackenzie.
2. Currently, the only option for Mackenzie youth is Foundry Virtual, which does not work for all youth.

**BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

Nothing, all this motion requires is staff/council time.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

Councillor Jesse Wright