



How Gaming Benefits our Community



**HELPING BUILD A
BETTER TOMORROW**

2009 - 2010

Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe

As time goes on, our population continues to expand and age. This results in a greater need for tribal programs and services in the areas of elder care, health services, education, law enforcement, home heating assistance and child care, to name a few. We expect this trend to continue.

In addition to outside government financial support, revenues from our gaming properties have been vital in helping to meet the ever-growing needs of our community. Clearly, the community members in Akwesasne benefit from gaming revenues in many ways. Without these revenues, the level of programs and services provided to the community would be extremely limited. We are publishing this updated booklet to show exactly where gaming revenues are going and how they support.

*The first **How Gaming Benefits our Community** booklet illustrated the financial support from gaming from 2003 through 2008. The current booklet reflects gaming revenues from 2009 and 2010 and the tremendous growth of our gaming properties. Their revenue has been the primary source for the Tribal General Fund.*

In addition to tribally-operated programs and services, we provide major support to community organizations, including the Akwesasne Boys and Girls Club, the Hogansburg-Akwesasne Volunteer Fire Department, the Senior's Center and the Akwesasne Mohawk Ambulance Unit. All of these organizations provide important community services. Gaming revenues make all this possible. We also provide direct support to community members through our Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program, various sports teams and our Home Repair Program.

The needs of the tribal community are many and we don't expect them to diminish in the future. We are extremely fortunate that we have the opportunity to operate gaming here in the Akwesasne Territory because the Akwesasne Mohawk Casino and the Mohawk Bingo Palace allow us to better meet the needs of our community. We are sure that this publication will give every community member a clear picture of the many ways that the Akwesasne community benefits from our gaming industry.

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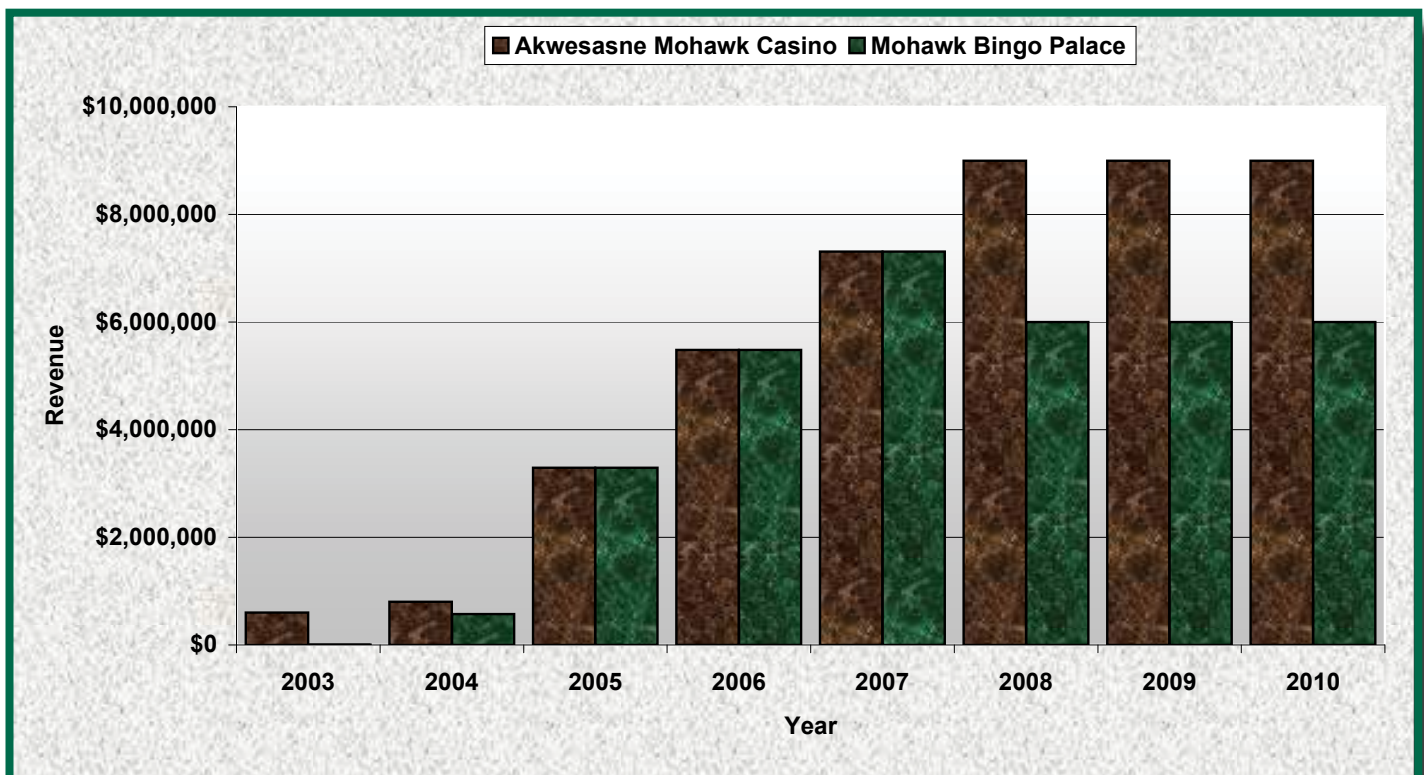


Akwasasne Mohawk Gaming

Since 2003, the Akwasasne Mohawk Gaming enterprises have generated over \$79.1 million to the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe. Our gaming enterprises are helping to build the Akwasasne Community through self-reliance.



Year	Akwasasne Mohawk Casino	Mohawk Bingo Palace
2003	\$ 600,000	\$ 3,000
2004	\$ 800,000	\$575,000
2005	\$ 3,290,000	\$ 3,290,000
2006	\$ 5,480,000	\$ 5,480,000
2007	\$ 7,310,000	\$ 7,310,000
2008	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 6,000,000
2009	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 6,000,000
2010	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 6,000,000
TOTAL	\$ 44,480,000	\$ 34,658,000





Akwesasne Mohawk Gaming Community Partnership Contributions

2009	\$ 240,000
2010	\$ 280,000
TOTAL	\$ 520,000



The Community Partnership Program was formed in 2006 to give the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe a system to follow in order to funnel gaming revenue to community charitable causes. Sponsorship requests are divided such that small-scale requests go through a Donations Committee while more large-scale requests of a recurring nature go through the Community Partnership Program.

Program Contributions

Partnership funding assistance

provided to:

- Akwesasne International Pow Wow
- Akwesasne Achievement Awards
- Annual Ironworker's Festival
- Akwesasne Winter Carnival
- Akwesasne Boys & Girls Club
- Akwesasne Task Force on the Environment
- Noah Thompson Memorial Fishing Derby
- Akwesasne Basket Fund and Mountain of Toys Christmas Drive
- Akwesasne Minor Hockey Association
- Hogansburg-Akwesasne Volunteer Fire Department
- Recreation Centers – St. Regis, Tsi Snaihne, Kawehno:ke
- Ronathahonni Cultural Center
- Annual Adams Marina 660 Snow Challenge
- CKON 97.3 FM
- Akwesasne Mohawk Ambulance Unit
- SRMT Senior Citizens Club
- Kateri Circle
- Akwesasne Tri-District Elders Council
- Allen King Memorial Walk-a-Thon
- Cory White Memorial Annual Golf Tournament
- Rudy Hart Annual Memorial Golf Tournament
- Louis King Annual Ball Tournament
- Akwesasne Sports Programs
- Akwesasne Athletes
- Cultural Events and Organizations
- Area Schools





Individual and Family Financial Assistance

Provides for the emergency needs of families and individuals in the areas of unexpected medical situations, educational assistance and emergency travel.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 198,129
2010	\$ 196,451
TOTAL	\$ 394,580



Annual Christmas Basket Drive

The Christmas Season is typically a time of giving and sharing. The Christmas Basket and Mountain of Toys programs assist needy families in Akwesasne with food, gifts and the spirit of the Holiday.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 5,000
2010	\$ 5,000
TOTAL	\$ 10,000

Community Spring Cleaning

Maintaining a clean and attractive community environment helps to ensure tourist revenues and new business development. Community members can take pride in their environment.

Year	Cost
2009	\$-0-
2010	\$ 55,227
TOTAL	\$ 55,227

Home Heating Fuel Assistance

Assistance for those families and elders who may struggle during the winter months to keep their households warm enough for comfort and safety.

Heating Season	Year-End Amount	Number of Homes
2009 to 2010	\$ 1,100,000	1,228
2010 to 2011	\$ 700,000	1,690
**TOTAL	\$ 1,800,000	

** Does not include the CITGO fuel assistance

Funeral Donations

The loss of a loved one is many times an unexpected event. Despite how expected or unexpected the loss may be, families often experience difficulties in meeting funeral expenses.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 16,000
2010	\$ 21,000
TOTAL	\$ 37,000



TGF Home Repair Program

Protecting one's home is important to avoid greater expenses with larger repairs later. Financial support allows individuals to avoid costly repairs by taking care of problems when they are still manageable.

Year	Amount	Homes
2009	\$ 365,067	32
2010	\$ 556,923	48
TOTAL	\$ 921,990	



Health

Health programs are key elements in successfully overcoming threats such as diabetes and obesity as well as promoting healthy lives through smoking cessation, proper diet, and exercise. Dental care, eye care, elder care and cardio-vascular health serve to improve Tribal members' lives and extend our life spans.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 1,313,320
2010	\$ 3,234,942
TOTAL	\$ 4,548,262



Diabetes Center of Excellence

This initiative is a product of the alarming growth of diabetes among Akwesasne families. This building will house the model programs dedicated to diabetes care and prevention through health promotion strategies in self-care management, fitness, weight control, nutrition, cardiovascular health and a variety of behavior change skills.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 70,000
2010	\$ 20,000
TOTAL	\$ 90,000

Education, Summer Student Program & Scholarships

The Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe has a highly educated workforce and membership. Educational assistance is another priority for financial support to meet the needs of students, language programs, schools and educational resources.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 575,000
2010	\$ 388,700
TOTAL	\$ 963,700

Law Enforcement

The highest level of safety and security are vital for maintaining a strong community. The Tribal Police must be able to cope with crime in a high-tech environment. Making sure that our police force has up-to-date equipment and training is a priority.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 1,841,281
2010	\$ 1,949,479
TOTAL	\$ 3,790,760

Planning & Infrastructure

Services in the important areas of strategic planning, construction, inspection services, permits, water systems, roads construction, road maintenance and transportation planning for the community of Akwesasne.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 1,094,977
2010	\$ 982,641
TOTAL	\$ 2,077,618



Akwesasne Mohawk Ambulance Unit

State of the art equipment and training allow personnel to respond quickly, manage emergencies efficiently and save more lives.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 378,692
2010	\$ 378,692
TOTAL	\$ 757,384



Senior Activities

Elders are valuable assets in any community, but especially so in Native communities. The Seniors Center is the focal point for trips, exercise programs, health workshops, arts and crafts, volunteer programs, bingo, the Ace to King Club, holiday meals, birthday celebrations and music.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 291,669
2010	\$ 329,481
TOTAL	\$ 621,150



Kateri Circle

Part of the National Association of Tekakwitha Conference of Kateri Circles focusing on the sainthood for Kateri Tekakwitha, a young Mohawk woman who is one step from being canonized in the Catholic Church.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 3,500
2010	\$ 4,500
TOTAL	\$ 8,000

Hogansburg-Akwasasne Volunteer Fire Department

Fire-related deaths and injuries are a largely preventable problem if sufficient household safeguards are in place. A quick response time and fire prevention training are both in the best interests of community members who deserve the best fire protection.

Year	Contribution	Project
2009	\$118,500	Operations & Fire Prevention Education
2010	\$ 145,480	Operations, Fire Prevention Education & Equipment
TOTAL	\$ 263,980	

Sports, Youth Activities, Sports Field & Playground

Sports are important for building teamwork, camaraderie, perseverance and establishing healthy life styles that carry over into adulthood. Youth activities help to establish healthy relationships and friendships through common interests. Both require facilities; fields, equipment, uniforms, and safe areas for recreation.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 126,941
2010	\$ 120,614
TOTAL	\$ 247,555

CKON 97.3 FM

The radio voice for the Akwesasne community. This annual sponsorship supports Mohawk Language Programming.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 3,600
2010	\$ 3,600
TOTAL	\$ 7,200



Cemetery Upkeep

Honoring those who have gone on before us is a Native tradition. The proper care of the cemeteries and graves maintains our respectful connection with our ancestors.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 3,000
2010	\$ 2,000
TOTAL	\$ 5,000



Wellness Day

Good health, disease prevention and injury prevention are the focus of this event which provides information and healthy activities with the emphasis on FUN! At the different health, craft and food booths, participants can learn about alternative medicines and health services.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 3,000
2010	\$ 5,000
TOTAL	\$ 8,000



North American Indigenous Games

The Games promote Indigenous cultures and support Indigenous youth from around the world through sports. The SRMT provides financial support to the Mohawk delegation who take part in these games.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 10,000
2010	\$ 20,000
TOTAL	\$ 30,000

Akwesasne Boys & Girls Club

“The youth are our future” is a phrase that is often heard and the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe has taken action in a real way to support youth and youth activities. We provide a safe, friendly and non-threatening environment for youth where they have access to good role models, where they can engage in healthy activities and make friends.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 300,000
2010	\$ 300,000
TOTAL	\$ 600,000

Families and a Strong Community

Akwesasne International Pow Wow

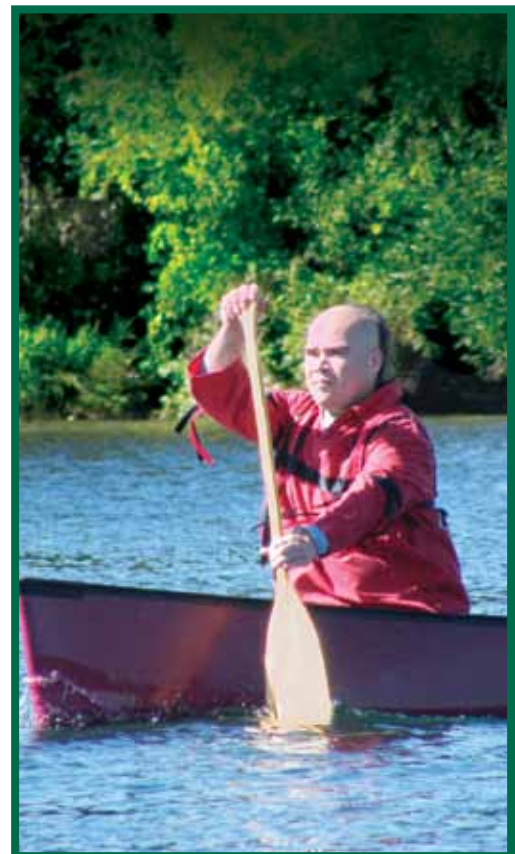
Pow Wows are cultural events that help to preserve our culture, language, traditions, and history. In addition to showcasing our cultural traditions, pow wows are social and economic events for dancers, drummers, singers, traders and spectators. Local business benefit from the people coming into the area and patronizing gas stations, restaurants, hotels, stores and shops.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 20,000
2010	\$ 20,000
TOTAL	\$ 40,000

Culture, Cultural Activities & Historic Preservation

Maintaining and strengthening traditional Mohawk culture, language and tradition has long been and will continue to be a priority for this community. The SRMT supports Mohawk people who perpetuate the language, songs, dances and special ceremonies.

Year	Contribution
2009	\$ 271,324
2010	\$ 331,341
TOTAL	\$ 602,665





TGF Tribal Program Support

Program	2009	2010
Tribal Courts	\$ 67,973	\$ 322,650
Economic Development	\$ 533,700	\$ 316,940
Education	\$ 494,528	\$ 383,823
Emergency Planning	\$ 153,702	\$ 187,862
Environment	\$ 614,032	\$ 574,673
Food Distribution	\$ 19,631	\$ 49,322
Health Services	\$ 1,313,320	\$ 3,234,942
Historic Preservation	\$ 153,324	\$ 266,341
Human Services	\$ 1,644,585	\$ 1,759,668
Office of the Aging - Seniors	\$ 291,669	\$ 329,481
Planning and Infrastructure	\$ 1,094,977	\$ 982,641
Tribal Administration	\$ 25,583	\$ 293,074
TOTAL	\$ 8,613,371	\$ 11,207,819

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