

Akwasasne cops dominate \$100,000-plus salary list

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Police officers in Akwasasne are among the top wage earners in the region, with 22 cops raking in a combined total of nearly \$3 million last year.

On Friday, the Ontario government released its annual list of civil servants who earn \$100,000 or more, and 23 employees of the Mohawk Council of Akwasasne made the grade.

Aside from the police officers, Dr. Marlyn Cook was the only other civil servant within the native community to make the list. The physician was actually the top wage earner in the bunch, taking home a salary of \$216,100.

Cook is now part of an elite group within the region. Aside from eight Ontario judges, just two other high-profile professionals cracked the \$200,000 ceiling. Jeanette Despatie, chief executive officer of the Cornwall Community Hospital earned \$212,691 in 2006, along with \$3,139.08 in benefits; Volker Thomsen, president and chief executive officer of St. Lawrence College took home \$211,744.36 in salary and \$21,915.84 in benefits. Within the Ministry of the Attorney General, a group of judges and lawyers made the list. Regional Senior Justice Peter Griffiths earned \$231,267.25 and \$3,541.95 in benefits while his predecessor, Judge Bruce MacPhee, took home \$229,518.01 and \$3,548.53 in benefits. The man at the helm of the Cornwall Public Inquiry, Judge Normand Glaude, earned a salary of \$229,517.89 along with \$3,548.53 in benefits. Judges Peter Adams, Hugh Fraser, Jack Nadelle, Gilles Renaud, Peter Wright each took home \$218,655.38 in salary and \$3,380.71 in benefits.

A number of Crown attorneys also made the list, led by Murray MacDonald who earned a salary of \$186,450.40 with benefits of \$302.83. Seven assistant Crown attorneys earned more than \$100,000 in 2006, with two of them earning more than \$150,000 - Wayne McDermid earned \$179,273.80 plus \$290.95 in benefits, while Guy Simard earned \$171,580.28 and \$284.03 in benefits.

Within the City of Cornwall, seven staffers took home more than \$100,000 last year. Chief Administrative Officer Paul Fitzpatrick was at the top of the list, earning \$138,142.38 in salary and \$2,819.29 in benefits. Rounding out the top three were David Dick, manager of financial services, who earned \$112,894.62 along with \$1,442.10 in benefits and Norm Levac, manager of construction services who made \$112,391.90 in salary and \$1,421.10 in benefits.

Three staffers employed with the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry made the list. Chief Administrative Officer Mike Waddell earned \$124,068.25 plus \$721.76 in benefits; Treasurer Vanessa Bennett took home \$102,839.17 in salary and \$620.31 in benefits; and county engineer Don McDonald rounded out the group with \$101,136.47 in salary and \$561.97 in benefits.

Thirteen officials working in the health care sector made the list, including the heads of two regional hospitals. Trudy Reid, CEO of Winchester District Memorial Hospital took home \$164,713.49 in salary and \$7,125.84 in benefits and Linda Morrow, CEO of Glengarry Memorial Hospital, made it to the list with a salary of \$102,774.60 and benefits of \$568.74. Also in the area of social services, two officials from the local Children's Aid Society were on the list. Executive Director Richard Abell took home \$126,687.79 in salary and \$3,476.55 in benefits, while Bill Carriere, co-executive director, took home \$104,353.96 in salary and \$2,736.27 in benefits.

Ten area educators made the grade, with school board officials landing near the top the list. Ann Perron, director of education for the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario earned a salary of

\$175,490.60 and benefits of \$804.48, while Don Fairweather, executive superintendent of the Upper Canada District School Board took home \$147,431.75 in salary and \$235.98 in benefits.

Four local executives with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission made the list, with General Manager Mike Paradis taking home the largest salary of \$157,588.67 and \$268.52 in benefits.

To see the entire list, visit www.fin.gov.on.ca/english/publications/salarydisclosure/2006.

Mohawk Council of Akwesasne

NAME TITLE SALARY

Marlyn Cook Physician \$216,100
Gary Bero Police Sergeant \$164,505
Roger Mitchell Police Sergeant \$161,970
Lewis Mitchell Chief of Police \$157,357
Jerel Swamp Police Supervisor \$152,542
Stephen Lazore Dep. Chief of Police \$149,092
Kenneth Chaussi Police Sergeant \$145,394
William Lafrance Jr. Police Sergeant \$141,213
Norman King Police Officer \$124,518
Leroy Swamp Police Officer \$123,467
Kevin Nanticoke Police Officer \$121,068
James Sunday Police Officer \$120,761
Ranatiiost Swamp Police Officer \$120,673
Aroniennens Porter Police Officer \$119,628
Kariwate Mitchell Police Officer \$118,819
Jeffrey Bova Police Officer \$118,776
Patrick Pyke Police Officer \$117,938
Phillip Swamp Police Officer \$117,275
Rachael Thomas Police Officer \$115,430
Faron Cole Police Officer \$114,898
Karson Oakes Police Officer \$113,050
Jonathan Caldwell Police Officer \$109,827

Top 10 earners

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Normand Glaude Judge \$229,517.89/\$3,548.53

Peter Adams Judge \$218,655.38/\$3,380.71

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Peter Wright Judge \$218,655.38/\$3,380.71

Jack Nadelle Judge \$218,655.38/\$2,852.21

Marlyn Cook Doctor \$216,100/Nil

Jeanette Despatie CEO \$212,691/\$3,139.08

