

Indigenous Community Collaborations

J.L. Richards has had the privilege of working in collaboration with various Indigenous communities to deliver projects that shape the modern built reality of their traditional territories. Our firm is thankful for our long history of working in partnership with many Indigenous groups, and we are proud of the successful projects and important learning relationships which have resulted from these partnerships.

This experience has provided our team with further understanding of cultural considerations and the unique needs of diverse rightsholders to shape the plans and designs that we provide all clients. Through the strong relationships we have developed with our many clients, our team has been involved in many rewarding community-building projects from custom buildings to large-scale infrastructure projects.



Local Presence

With offices in seven locations across Ontario, J.L. Richards is positioned to provide you with personalized, local service no matter where your project is located. Our team will work closely within your community to develop a comprehensive understanding of what you need and how we can deliver designs tailored to your individual needs.

Community Commitment

At J.L. Richards, we firmly believe in fostering authentic community engagement and building relationships that last. When partnering with our firm, you can rest assured that the J.L. Richards team will maintain a strong presence in your community, stay committed to your goals, and remain dedicated to working together in the spirit of long-term collaboration.

Shared Values

The real value of working with J.L. Richards is not just in what we do, but our approach. We lead with listening and learning to better understand your unique needs, then we utilize our expertise across all our disciplines to support your vision.

Where We've Worked

Our team has had the privilege of working alongside many Indigenous groups, including but not limited to the following:

- Akwesasne Board of Education
- Apitipi Anicinapek Nation
- Atikameksheng Anishnawbek First Nation
- Attawapiskat First Nation
- Brunswick House First Nation
- Chippewas of Beausoleil First Nation
- Dokis First Nation
- Fort Albany First Nation
- Kashechewan First Nation
- Mattagami First Nation
- Matachewan First Nation
- MoCreebec Eeyoud Cree Nation
- Moose Cree First Nation
- Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation
- Sand Point First Nation
- Serpent River First Nation
- Six Nations of the Grand River
- Whitefish River First Nation
- Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

“J.L. Richards has truly taken a cutting edge approach including the community, parents, staff and students along the way. We really appreciate having the opportunity to be a part of the developmental phase and have input into the design. It will certainly be a community school in every sense of the word.”

BECKY TOULOUSE
Principal, Biidaaban Kinoomaagegamik

Indigenous Community Collaborations

Architecture
Civil Engineering
Electrical Engineering
Energy Systems Engineering
Environmental Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Planning
Project Management
Structural Engineering

Talk to us today

Grant Campbell, P.Eng.
Indigenous Market Leader;
Senior Civil Engineer
705 698 2959
gcampbell@jlrichards.ca

Luc Jobin, C.E.T.
Senior Architectural Project Manager
705 406 2662
ljobin@jlrichards.ca

J.L. Richards is a 100% employee-owned, Canadian company that provides multidisciplinary engineering, architecture, planning, and project management services to diverse clients across a number of key market sectors. Founded in Ottawa in 1955, our integrated design team has tackled projects together throughout Canada and around the world.

J.L. Richards is doing our part to further the efforts of Truth and Reconciliation. We have had senior management complete intensive cultural awareness training, which will soon be rolled out company wide, and we are in the process of developing our own Reconciliation Action Plan to focus our efforts on creating opportunities for Indigenous people, spreading awareness of past injustices, and building meaningful relationships and consultation with Indigenous people.

We selected orange as the Indigenous Market colour as it represents child victims of residential schools and serves as a reminder of our obligation to act in support of Truth and Reconciliation.