
Chief and Council Nominee Bios

Luwana Louis – Property Administrator (SXML)

Ey swayell! Táteló:melhót tel sqix. Hello! My name is Luwana Louis, growing up you knew me as sis. and I am proud to be a member of the Sumas First Nation, belonging to the Williams family. I deeply value the relationship I have with my parents, Mud & Lulu, and am incredibly grateful for all they have done for me, my brother, my children, our cousins, aunts, and uncles. Their unwavering support over the years has been a cornerstone of our lives, and I truly appreciate every bit of guidance and encouragement they have provided.

In my spare time, I do my best to support my kids and grandkids with their various activities, including horses, hockey, canoeing, and pets (cats, dogs, ducks). In the past, I have sat on many committees and boards associated with these activities. I have also been trying to reconnect with our language, attending as many of the weekly sessions with Aiden as I can.

Currently, I work for Sumas's Development Corporation subsidiary company, Sem:ath Management Services LP (SMSLP), as the Property Administrator. In this role, I provide operational support to SMSLP in property management and communications, foster relationships with current and new tenants, act as a communication link between membership and SMSLP, assist in planning events and meetings, support building and contract maintenance, and handle other administrative duties as required.

With over 20 years of indirect experience in property management, I have engaged in this field as a hobby across various settings and with diverse stakeholders. I have assisted in the negotiation of several leases for my family's CP property, from vetting the tenant to lease registration with the Nation.

In terms of education, I have a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Biology and a minor in Geography, along with certifications in communications, geographic information systems, transportation of dangerous goods, WHMIS, employment counseling, adult education, accounting and payroll, and I am halfway through my master's degree in business administration. I have a diverse skill set, which I often describe as being an "expert of everything, master of nothing." I am analytical, professional, possess excellent communication skills, outgoing, empathetic, and compassionate.

I would be honored to represent Sumas First Nation as a member of council for the 2025–2028 term. I believe in upholding values such as lifelong learning, hard work, honesty, integrity, and treating every member with respect and priority. Kw'as hó:y!