

Indigenous Reconciliation & Partnership

- Yukon Forum meets four times a year for open dialogue with Yukon First Nations governments.
- Established a **Department of First Nations Relations** to strengthen partnerships and legislative collaboration.
- Co-development of major legislation (Health Authority Act, Minerals Act, Child and Family Services Act, Lands Act).
- · First Nation School Board manages 10 Yukon schools.
- Breaking Trail Together program promotes culturally safe workplaces in government.
- Recognition of First Nations Language Teachers under the Education Act.
- Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas (Ross River area).
- Co-management and shared governance for **Peel Watershed** and new **Teetl'it Gwinjik** (**Peel River**) **National Park**.
- Completion of **Dawson Regional Land Use Plan**, and advancement of the **Nacho Nyak Dun** plan.
- Expansion of First Nations and Inuit Policing Program (six new officers).
- · Support for CYFN-led Family Preservation Wellness Centre and land-based healing.
- Systems Change, GovernanceMunicipal Collaboration
- **Department for Protective Services** created for unified emergency and fire response coordination.
- Citizen's Assembly model adopted for major issues (starting with Community Safety).
- Creation of a **non-profit funding framework** to stabilize operational support for local organizations.
- **Decentralize government positions** and service delivery to rural and municipal hubs for equitable access and local jobs.
- Municipal funding reform to provide predictable, multi-year transfers and maintain municipal autonomy.
- Collaborative governance with municipalities continued partnership for recreation, housing, and emergency management.
- Legislative modernization: Education Act, Municipal Act, Mental Health Act, and Consumers Protection Act (Right to Repair).
- **Digital modernization** electronic health records, open data systems, and simplified access to services.
- Community Advisors expanded across Yukon First Nations for policy coordination.
- Ongoing improvement of the **Yukon First Nations procurement policy** with municipal and Indigenous participation.
- Inclusion of Yukon governments in national defense and Arctic security discussions.



Real action.

Real results.



💡 Summary Takeaway

- Rural & Municipal Development: Strong infrastructure investment paired with predictable funding and planning support enabling local governments to thrive.
- **Healthcare:** Better mental health, long-term care, and medical travel systems with rural staffing and telehealth improvements.
- Reconciliation: True partnership in governance and policy-making, including shared health, education, and land management systems.
- Systems Change: Shift toward decentralization, stability, and collaboration empowering municipalities, First Nations, and communities equally.

Theme / Focus Area

Rural & Municipal Community Benefits

Specific Commitments & Examples

- Public housing construction in Dawson (34), Teslin (6-plex), Ross River (duplex), Burwash (staff duplexes), Carcross (6-unit), and Mayo (10-unit).
- Serviced lot releases in Haines Junction and Watson Lake to expand homeownership and community growth.
- Community infrastructure investments in Carmacks (Fire Hall), Mayo (water plant), Faro (public works), Pelly Crossing (pool), White River (Community Centre), and Haines Junction (infrastructure renewal).
- Municipal partnership funding for recreation, water and sewer upgrades, and public works modernization.
- Continued investment in municipal infrastructure funds for local projects emphasizing climate resilience, accessibility, and community growth.
- Support for local governance capacity funding for small municipal administrations and community planning.
- Renewable energy infrastructure in municipal facilities through the Innovative Renewable Energy Initiative (IREI).

- Accessible, high-quality healthcare across Yukon, including rural and remote communities.
- Mental health and addictions supports expanded Fireweed Mental Health Unit, aftercare programs, land-based healing (CYFN partnership).
- Long-term care facility in Watson Lake to keep elders close to home.
- Medical travel subsidy increased by 15% and introduction of an online travel portal to simplify applications.
- Medical travel lodges expanded in Whitehorse and Vancouver.
- Old Crow Health & Wellness Centre opened; home care expansion for rural Yukoners.
- Decentralizing healthcare delivery and staffing to rural and northern communities.
- Health and Wellness Yukon (Shäw Kwä'ą) co-governed health authority with Yukon First Nations.
- Recruitment and retention initiatives for local doctors, nurses, and mental health professionals.