

## Liberal

Moving Forward on Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples



### **Addressing the Legacy of Colonialism and Residential Schools**

We have and we will continue to support and provide funding to Indigenous communities: in their work to uncover burial grounds; for commemoration ceremonies, honouring memorials, and re-burial in their home communities; and to manage the buildings of former residential schools, such as demolition, rehabilitation, or construction of new facilities.

#### **A re-elected Liberal government will:**

- Continue work to build a national monument in Ottawa to honour residential school survivors and all the children who were taken from their families and communities.
- Move forward on work with Indigenous partners to appoint a Special Interlocutor who will work with Indigenous communities, provincial and territorial governments, to develop the necessary legal and regulatory framework to advance justice regarding unmarked graves and make recommendations relating to federal laws, regulations, policies, and practices surrounding unmarked and undocumented graves and burial sites at residential schools.

To support the continued work of the Centre, a re-elected Liberal government will provide funding towards the construction of a permanent home for the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation.

### **Supporting Indigenous Children and Families**

A re-elected Liberal government will continue to fully implement the Act Respecting First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Children, Youth and Families and continue to support communities looking to lift up jurisdiction over child and family services.

- Continue to reform child and family services in Indigenous communities

### **Clean Water**

A re-elected Liberal government will:

- Make any investments necessary to eliminate all remaining advisories.
- Maintain our commitment to invest \$6 billion to ensure sustainable access to clean water for First Nations.

### **Continuing Progress on Reconciliation and Self-Determination**

Since day one, we have been committed to working with

- Continue to support Indigenous-led processes for rebuilding and reconstituting nations, advancing self-determination and work in partnership on implementation of treaties, land claim and self government agreements with appropriate oversight mechanisms to hold the federal government accountable.
- Continue to support First Nations-led processes to transition away from the Indian Act.
- Continue to advance the priorities of Indigenous communities to reclaim full jurisdiction in the areas that matter to them such as child and family services, education, health care, policing, tax, and the administration of justice.

### **Supporting Métis Nation Priorities**

Continuing to move forward on self-government with Metis Nation partners to implement their visions of self-determination by:

1. Continue working with the Manitoba Métis Federation to move forward on their Manitoba Métis Self Government Recognition and Implementation Agreement.
2. Continue working with the Métis Nation of Alberta to move forward on their Métis Government Recognition and Self-Government Agreement.
3. Continue working with the Métis Nation of Ontario to move forward on their Métis Government Recognition and Self-Government.
4. Continue working with the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan to move forward on their Métis Government Recognition and Self-Government.
5. Moving forward on the Self Government Framework Agreement with the Northwest Territory Métis Nation.
6. Co-developing and continuing to invest in a distinction based Mental Health and Wellness Strategy that meets the deep and unique needs of all Métis Nation to address the ongoing impacts of colonization and residential schools.
7. A co-developed mental health and wellness strategy could also respond to the prevalent opioid crisis, include culturally appropriate wraparound services for addictions and trauma, suicide, and life promotion, and the building of treatment centres based on the priorities of Métis Nation communities.
8. Working with Métis Nation to ensure that the Indigenous Languages Act continues to be fully implemented, in order to preserve, promote, and revitalize Indigenous languages in Canada, supported with long-term, predictable, and sufficient funding.
9. Working with Métis Nation to continue to fully implement An Act Respecting First Nations, Inuit and Métis Children, Youth and Families with long-term, predictable, and sufficient funding to support its full implementation.
10. Continuing—in close collaboration with Métis Nation—to deliver distinctions-based support in response to COVID19.
11. Continuing to develop a new national benefits-sharing framework to ensure that Métis Nation communities directly benefit from major resource projects in their territories.
12. We will continue to work in partnership with Métis Nation through the economic recovery and to support the growth of Métis Nation economies.
13. Fully implementing An Act respecting the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and codeveloping the Action Plan to achieve the objectives of the Declaration.
14. Working with Métis Nation to implement \$2.2 billion over 5 years beginning in 2021-22, and \$160.9 million ongoing, to address violence against Indigenous women, girls, and 2SLGBTQQIA+ people through implementation of the Federal Pathway and the 2021 National Action Plan.
15. Continuing to work in partnership with Métis Nation on addressing climate change, specifically in tracking the impacts of climate change on their traditional lands and waters and charting collaborative strategies forward.