

NDP



Upholding Indigenous rights and advancing self-determination

New Democrat government will fully implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action.

New Democrats will work with Indigenous peoples to co-develop a National Action Plan for Reconciliation, drawing directly from the Calls to Action and the Declaration to ensure that Canada's laws, policies, and practices are consistent with Canada's human rights commitments – including cultural rights, land rights, and rights to self-determination and self-government.

New Democrats recognize Métis self-determination and in government, we will respect the path forward established by the Métis National Council and its governing members. We will pursue government-to-government negotiations on issues including self-government, education, housing and health.

A New Democrat government will work in partnership with Indigenous communities across the country to help protect and revitalize the incredible diversity of Indigenous languages in Canada with new legislation and stable funding. In response to Truth and Reconciliation Commission Call to Action 80, we will ensure there are funds to communities to commemorate a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to acknowledge the painful legacy of colonization, honour the Survivors of residential schools, and help communities across Canada commit to meaningful reconciliation.

Justice and healing – NDP will address the harms of residential schools

The NDP will invest in children and end funding discrimination

New Democrats will take immediate action to respect, support and resource Indigenous jurisdiction over child welfare systems

The NDP pledges also include lifting all drinking water advisories by 2021 and improving access to mental health and addiction treatment services — including "an evidence-based action plan to prevent suicide backed by dedicated federal resources." It promises to build a treatment centre for residents of Grassy Narrows affected by long-term mercury exposure and compensate families affected by mercury poisoning.

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- Commit to fully and equitably fund health education and other services in Indigenous communities.
- Create an action plan to prevent suicide.
- Work with Indigenous communities to implement a co-developed and fully-funded Indigenous National Housing Strategy within the first 100 days in office.
- Expand financial assistance for post-secondary education for Indigenous children who grew up in care

Protecting the environment together

The climate crisis is not just an environmental emergency – it also threatens traditional food sources and the very survival of many Indigenous communities. We must move past the delays and inaction of past Liberal and Conservative governments and take a fundamentally different approach to our future – one that recognize a holistic definition of sustainability.

New Democrats will put reconciliation at the core of this effort, upholding Indigenous knowledge and respecting inherent sovereignty.