

Declaration from the Yukon Francophone Governance Forum on reconciliation with Yukon First Nations

We recognize that reconciliation is based on the values of truth, respect, courage, cooperation and partnership, and requires long-term collaboration and commitment.

We recognize the devastating impact of colonization on First Nations, Métis and Inuit in Canada as well as the participation of French-speaking Yukoners in the process of colonization.

We recognize that Yukon First Nations suffered from the loss of identity, forced assimilation, dispossession of lands, loss of languages and cultural genocide.

We recognize Yukon First Nations' rights to self-determination as well as economic, social, cultural, political, environmental and spiritual rights.

We recognize the importance of the following documents: The Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Yukon's Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit+ People Strategy.

We recognize that the participation of the Yukon Francophone community as an ally is essential to ensure reconciliation in the territory.

We recognize that education is one of the best ways to allow members of the Yukon Francophone community to inform themselves and become better aware of the realities of First Nations.

Through this declaration, the members of the Yukon Francophone Governance Forum commit to advancing reconciliation in the territory in collaboration with First Nations.

Commitment of the Yukon Francophone Governance Forum to reconciliation with Yukon First Nations

The members of the Yukon Francophone Governance Forum have adopted eight core principles that will guide their actions:

1. Recognizing our responsibility, privileges and limits in taking actions to promote reconciliation with Yukon First Nations.
2. Reflecting on our common history with respect and attention to positively influence our future actions.
3. Recognizing that reconciliation is a process that requires continuous efforts, goodwill and commitment.
4. Building egalitarian relationships based on mutual respect, openness and accountability.
5. Understanding the impact of residential schools on Yukon First Nations.
6. Sharing the responsibility for raising awareness, within the Yukon Francophone community, of the worldviews, traditional knowledge, history and cultures of Yukon First Nations.
7. Welcoming and including traditional knowledge in our community reflections.
8. Identifying our shared values with Yukon First Nations and mobilizing to protect them.



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