





The Urban Indigenous ACTION PLAN



Indigenous people in urban communities have been creating local solutions, integrating service delivery, building local and regional relationships and focusing on providing client-centred, culture-based services that respond to local priorities.

The Urban Indigenous Action Plan (the plan) is a policy framework to assist Ontario in its approach to developing policies, programs and practices that respond to the needs and priorities of urban Indigenous organizations and communities. The plan supports reconciliation between urban Indigenous organizations, communities, the provincial government and the broader public service by:

- Recognizing relationships and culture as the foundational requirements for policy and program development; and,
 - Guiding government and the broader public service to develop responsive, inclusive policies, programs and evaluations with, and that meet the needs of, urban Indigenous organizations and communities.
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The Urban Indigenous Action Plan envisions respectful relationships with Indigenous people as the foundation of all policy, programming and interactions between the province of Ontario and urban Indigenous organizations and communities.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Indigenous Leadership
- Collaboration and Co-Development
- Respect for Indigenous Cultures and Spiritualities
- Responsive to Community Priorities
- Transparency and Accountability
- Respect for Indigenous Diversity
- Cross Government Coordination
- Equity and Access

The plan was developed collaboratively by the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation (MIRR), the Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres (OFIFC), the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) and the Ontario Native Women's Association (ONWA), with input from urban Indigenous organizations and communities across Ontario.

ACTION AREA 1: Relationship Building

Supporting relationships with and across urban Indigenous organizations to understand and respond to local priorities.

ACTION AREA 2: Policy Engagement and Co-Development

Advancing the commitment to increase co-development of initiatives with urban Indigenous organizations and communities to facilitate the development of responsive policies and programs.

ACTION AREA 3: Service Planning, Design and Delivery

Supporting local planning and delivery of coordinated and culturally appropriate services for urban Indigenous communities.

ACTION AREA 4: Evaluation

Promoting the improvement of data, collection and analysis for more meaningful and effective measurement of investments and outcomes.