Our priorities for Yukon

Yukon's population surpassed 40,000 in 2018 and is growing at a rate faster than most jurisdictions in Canada.

This is a result of the territory's strong economy, an excellent quality of life and access to high-quality services.

As the territory continues to grow, we are laying important groundwork that will benefit all Yukoners into the future.

Our priorities reflect government's vision for Yukon, and continue to guide us in the 2019–20 Budget. These priorities include:

- a people-centred approach to wellness which helps Yukoners thrive;
- strategic investments which contribute to healthy, vibrant, sustainable communities;
- strong government-to-government relationships with First Nations in order to foster reconciliation; and
- a diverse, growing economy which provides good jobs for Yukoners in an environmentally-responsible way.

These highlights showcase how we are making our vision for Yukon a reality in this year's Budget.

Total budget \$1.5 billion

Operations and Maintenance Budget \$1.2 billion

Capital Budget \$288 million





\$19 million

to develop residential lots, including \$4 million for rural lots and \$15 million for lot development in Whitehorse

\$3.6 million

for the Housing Initiatives Fund to help Yukoners create new rental housing options

\$300,000

to plan and design two 24-unit buildings for community housing in Whitehorse

\$1.4 million

for unit conversions to make better use of existing housing stock

\$1.5 million

for applications to the First Nation Housing Partnership Program

Investing in infrastructure

Transportation

\$8.6 million

to continue work on the Yukon Resource Gateway project

for Alaska Highway safety improvements



300,000

for Mayo aerodrome projects

\$9.5 million for work at the

Whitehorse airport including security upgrades, maintenance facility upgrades, and runway and taxiway improvements

to replace the Fox Creek Bridge



12 million

for work at the Dawson City airport, including \$6.3 million to pave the runway

Construction

for Yukon's diverse fibre line to bring internet service reliability to Yukoners

\$7.2 million

to complete construction of the Nares River bridge



Community infrastructure Arts and culture

for wildland fire management

for community infrastructure development funding for projects which include:

Carmacks arena, Na-Cho Nyak Dun water treatment plant controls upgrade, and Dawson water and wastewater upgrades

for work at several historic sites, including Fort Selkirk and Forty Mile in partnership with First Nations

\$200,000

for Permanent Art Collection storage \$500.000

over two years for Dawson City museum exhibits

\$400,000

for the planning of a new heritage, resources and administration facility

Education



Investing in people

\$214.5 million

to meet the needs of Yukon's growing student population

\$3 million

over two years to build portable classrooms

\$1.6 million

to begin planning for a school in Whistle Bend

\$1.1 million

for work at F.H. Collins on the outdoor learning space, multi-use path and basketball courts

\$19 million

to build the French First Language Secondary School

\$1.4 million

for stabilization work at the Ross River School



\$2.2 million

for technology to support modern learning environments in Yukon schools



Work continues to support Yukon College's transition to a university

Health services

\$80.6 million

for continuing care facilities home care, respite care, palliative care programs and community day programs

\$3 million

to modernize Yukon's hospital information system

\$1 million

to begin planning and design a Secure Medical Unit at Whitehorse General Hospital

\$58.1 million

for social supports including disability services, mental wellness and substance use programs and income support

Safe, supported communities



\$2.3 million

for the creation and renovation of RCMP detachments, including replacing the detachment in Carcross

\$1.7 million

for youth initiatives

\$1 million

for corrections facility and case management software to help manage inmate cases and develop programs and services for clients

Investing in the economy and environment

\$8.2 million

to grow Yukon businesses and communities through economic development initiatives, including regional economic development opportunities for Yukon First Nations

\$875,000

to implement the Yukon Tourism Development Strategy and develop Yukon as a sustainable,



\$11.8 million

for assessment and reclamation of Yukon mines

\$1.5 million

to continue
implementation of the
Inuvialuit Final Agreement
in Yukon's North Slope,
including collaborative
management of Herschel
Island-Qikiqtaruk
Territorial Park



for infrastructure improvements at parks and campgrounds to help Yukoners and visitors connect with nature in a safe, clean and memorable way



\$250,000 for agricultural land development



Climate Change

up to

\$14.2 million

year-round tourist destination

to fund retrofits which increase the energy efficiency of Yukon buildings



\$416,000

for 15 adaptation projects under the federal Climate Change Preparedness in the North program, including work on permafrost thaw, food security, and extreme weather events



Continue working with partners to develop a Climate Change, Energy and Green Economy strategy

Implement the Yukon Government
Carbon Price Rebate

For more information on the progress we are making visit our Performance Plan update: yukon.ca/en/performance-plan