

# BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

## Overview

- \$162.6 M Capital Budget, the largest ever.
- Focus on economic renewal and progressive social agenda.
- Full economic partnerships with First Nations.
- No tax increases.

## Community Services

- Increased Municipal Grant for Haines Junction, Teslin, Mayo and Carmacks.
- \$1.3 M for new community hall in Ross River.
- \$1.25 M contribution to new community hall in Mayo.
- \$2 M for sewage treatment in Teslin.
- \$1.1 M for sewage treatment in Carmacks.
- \$3.2 M for Hamilton Boulevard.
- \$370 K for seniors housing.
- \$10 per hour wage increase for volunteer firefighters.
- \$95 K for humane societies.
- \$700 K for a domestic well-digging program.
- \$1.5 M for Firesmart.

## Economic Development

- New economic direction developed in collaboration with stakeholders.
- \$3.2 M for new programs.
- \$2.1 M for technology, film, business incentive, micro-loan, trade and market development.
- \$3.5 M for CDE.

## Education

- \$700 K for planning school in Carmacks.
- \$500 K for improvements to Porter Creek Secondary School.
- \$1 M increase to base grant of Yukon College for a total of \$14.5 M.
- \$500 K for six new Native Language Instructors.
- \$335 K for alternate path school.
- \$177 K for Student Employment Program.
- \$1.4 M for Community Training Fund with \$500 K for trades training.
- Increase in Yukon Excellence Awards.

**Energy, Mines & Resources**

- \$500 K for Yukon Mineral Exploration Training Program.
- Facilitated Kaska –Teck Cominco agreement on potential R-15 mine site in southeast Yukon.
- Forestry agreement with Champagne and Aishihik First Nations on beetle kill in Kluane.
- Facilitated formation of Aboriginal Pipeline Group.
- Forestry agreement with Kaska in southeast Yukon.

**Environment**

- \$582 K for interim operation of Yukon Wildlife Preserve.
- \$146 K for Chisana Caribou Recovery Project.
- 3 year project to construct Tombstone Interpretive Centre.
- \$15 K for electronic waste management.

**Executive Council Office**

- MOU on formalized government to government relationship with First Nations.
- Collaborative agreements with NWT, Nunavut, Alaska, and B.C.
- \$215 K additional support for youth groups.

**Finance**

- Development of Business Case to justify changes to Territorial Funding Formula.
- Reduction of Small Business Tax Rate and increase in Small Business Tax Deduction Limit.
- 3 year extension of Yukon Mineral Tax Credit.
- Increase in Yukon Child Benefit.

**Health and Social Services**

- \$3.1 M increase for hospital O&M.
- \$320 K for FASD Action Plan.
- \$1.8 M to open seven more beds in Macaulay Lodge and twelve new beds in Copper Ridge Place.
- \$1.9 M for primary health care.
- \$675 K for enhanced day care funding.
- \$200 K for increase in honorariums for volunteer ambulance attendants.
- 2 new ambulances, one for Ross River and one for Whitehorse.
- \$600 K for multi-level care facilities in Watson Lake and Dawson City.
- \$100 K for feasibility for multi-level care facilities in Haines Junction and Teslin.

**Highway and Public Works**

- \$17 M for Shakwak Highway projects.
- \$2.8 M for Klondike Highway upgrading near Dawson City.
- \$4.8 M for Campbell Highway upgrading.
- \$1.5 M for Tagish Road upgrading.
- \$2.95 M for Teslin Bridge upgrading.
- \$1.5 M for planning Yukon River Bridge at Dawson City.
- \$1.4 M for Whitehorse Airport Security upgrade.
- \$2.96 M for Old Crow Airport upgrade.
- \$415 K for new Old Crow Airport Terminal.
- \$425 K for Whitehorse Waterfront Trolley expansion.
- \$5.8 M for Information Technology upgrade.

**Justice**

- Consultation and collaboration with First Nations and other Yukoners on Yukon's correctional system including the replacement of the Whitehorse Correctional Centre.
- \$340 K primarily to support First Nations Community Constable Program.
- \$ 95 K increase to Victims Services Family Violence Prevention Unit.
- \$175 K per year for three years for Access to Justice Agreement.

**Public Service Commission**

- \$116 K for Workplace Harassment Prevention Office.
- \$291 K for Workplace Diversity Employment Officer for implementing land claims and employment of persons with disabilities.

**Tourism and Culture**

- \$500 K for Tourism Co-operative Marketing Fund.
- \$300 K for Carcross Tagish Cultural Centre.
- \$220 K for Yukon First Nation Cultural Centres in Pelly Crossing, Dawson City, Teslin and Carmacks.
- \$414 K for Visitor Exit Survey.
- \$200 K for Decade of Sport and Culture.
- \$50 K for Ice Patch Research.
- \$74 K for First Nation Heritage Officer.
- \$200 K for Gateways Cities program.

**Women's Directorate**

- Focused on Family Violence Prevention.
- Support of Annual Women Exploring Trades Conference.
- Support women and girls leadership.

