



Indigenous Funding Framework Status Update

Presentation to the City of Toronto Aboriginal Affairs Committee

October 22, 2021

Background (2019)

- The 4 Indigenous CSP funded agencies met with SDFA staff representatives in 2019.
 - Native Women's Resource Centre
 - Native Canadian Centre of Toronto
 - Toronto Aboriginal Support Services Council
 - Native Child and Family Services of Toronto
- Together we reconstructed the City-wide Grants Policy and Procedure to include Indigenous content and considerations:
<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2019/e/c/bgrd/backgroundfile-134597.pdf>
- TASSC presented to the City of Toronto Grants Committee on issues and opportunities



City of Toronto Community Investment Grants Base-Line Analysis



\$57 MM total allocation across funding streams

\$648,115 to eligible Indigenous social serving/non-profit organizations

12 Indigenous organizations funded

2016

\$59 MM total allocation across funding streams

\$704,130 to eligible Indigenous social serving/non-profit organizations

7 Indigenous organizations funded

2017

\$66 MM total allocation across funding streams

\$598,655.00 to eligible Indigenous social serving/non-profit organizations

9 Indigenous organizations funded

2018

\$67 MM total allocation across funding streams

\$783,920.00 to eligible Indigenous social serving/non-profit organizations

8 Indigenous organizations funded

2019

Significant Funding
Gaps Require
Extraordinary
Funding Measures.

Progress

Toronto Urban Health Fund Indigenous Approach was developed.

2018

Economic Development and Culture Developed an Indigenous Funding Stream.

2019

City of Toronto Pandemic Relief Funding to Indigenous organizations is unprecedented.

2020

Opportunity

1. To continue to put action to words; recognizing there is a history of inequity of funding for Indigenous initiatives and organizations in Toronto.
2. To work in partnership and collaboration with key Indigenous stakeholders to create an Indigenous Funding Framework that supports a trajectory of not only equal access across eligible Indigenous-led Organizations, greater self-determination and increased funding investments to Indigenous initiatives with a plan to grow the funding allocations over time.



Prospective Model Considerations

Indigenous Funding Framework Early Concepts



Next Steps

1. To survey funded organizations to learn about the unique nature of their hopes for a new funding relationship
2. To continue the working group discussions to map and plan for broader stakeholder engagement
3. To finalize a model born of collective input for 2022

2020-2021 Working Group Members

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