

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS 2010 - 2011

GOOD GOVERNMENT

- \$1 billion and \$75.402 million budget, the largest ever.
- Implementation of “New Horizons” a new vision for education in Yukon flowing from the Education Reform Project.
- Implementation of new Corrections Act and Victims of Crime Strategy reflecting a new philosophy of corrections that emphasizes the protection of the public, holds offenders accountable and provides appropriate opportunities for rehabilitation all resulting from the Corrections Consultation.
- Implementation of Climate Change Action Plan and the Energy Strategy for Yukon through such initiatives as the Yukon Research Centre of Excellence established at Yukon College, connecting the WAF grid to the Mayo-Dawson grid, and upgrading the Mayo hydro dam.
- Implementation of the findings of the Yukon Health Care Review and “Taking the Pulse” Report through the all-party Oversight Committee on Health Care Sustainability setting priorities and development of a new Wellness Strategy.
- Development of major new Social Inclusion Strategy, possibly the most significant social policy initiative in the history of the Yukon government.
- During this period of global economic uncertainty, made strategic investments to provide economic stimulus both in the short term and in the long term by focusing efforts on diversification by promoting natural resource development, film and sound, research and development, information technology, tourism, trade, arts and culture, agriculture, forestry, manufacturing, trapping and outfitting and small business development.
- Development of a Multi-Year Capital Plan providing a schedule of specific capital projects including a three-year plan of annual core expenditures related to Information Technology of \$6.5 million, Capital Building Maintenance of \$12 million and \$15 million for Land Development as well as a minimum of \$40 million for Highways and Airports subject to flexibility to meet other government priorities.
- Continued implementation of cooperative governance with Yukon First Nations including support for new self-government Financial Transfer Agreements to properly fund First Nation land claim settlements.
- Showcased Yukon culture at the Vancouver 2010 Olympics at Canada’s Northern House and the Aboriginal Pavilion and continuing support for Yukon participation in future sport and cultural events.
- Continued pan-northern approach with the Northwest Territories and Nunavut to market the North at the 2010 Vancouver Olympic Games through the establishment of Canada’s Northern House and collectively successfully lobbied the federal government to renew the Territorial Funding Formula as well as the Territorial Health Access Fund for two years.

- Continued initiative to make the Yukon Legislative Assembly work better by establishing 3 more all-party select committees to deal with issues of importance to Yukoners such as a review of the *Landlord and Tenant Act*, Bill #108, *Legislative Renewal Act*, and the Safe Operation and Use of Off-road vehicles.

ECONOMY

- Continued marketing initiatives in China has led to the development of a sister-province relationship with Shaanxi Province and the purchase of Yukon Zinc's Wolverine Project by two Chinese companies as well as the establishment of a new joint venture between Selwyn Resources and a Chinese zinc and lead producer to advance Yukon's Selwyn project, one of the largest undeveloped zinc and lead deposits in the world located in eastern Yukon.
- Created a new mining web-portal to attract mining investment to Yukon, *miningyukon.com*
- Sponsored business and investment events at the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Games that included: a mining investment attraction event called "A Mine Altering Experience"; the Yukon First Nations Artisan Market and Business Showcase, in partnership with the Yukon Indian Development Corporation and the Council of Yukon First Nations; a media charter to Whitehorse and "Yukon Day" events in Vancouver.
- \$750,000 for Destination Yukon cooperative marketing campaign designed to increase awareness of Yukon as a travel destination from our key target markets of Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton and Toronto and attract more Canadian visitors to Yukon.
- \$700,000 for the Tourism Cooperative Marketing Fund.
- \$170,000 for the purchase and development of displays to promote Yukon at various travel trade and consumer shows and events as well as in the Erik Nielsen Whitehorse International Airport Terminal Building.
- \$10.3 million for the Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre with a new public library that will be the centerpiece in the development of the Whitehorse Waterfront.
- \$250,000 over two years commencing 2009-2010 for Yukon Entrepreneur Support Program to provide assistance and support targeting start up businesses.
- \$1.8 million second year funding for the Yukon Mining Incentive Program (YMIP)
- \$3.775 million for forestry research and the establishment of a new Yukon Core Library.
- \$250,000 Northern Strategy Funding for the Yukon Mine Training Association to provide mine training to Yukoners.
- \$334,000 to provide On-the-job First Nation Resource Management Training.

- \$4.375 million Labour Market Development Agreement for the design and delivery of skills development and employment programs funded under the Employment Insurance Program.
- \$1.5 million Community Training Fund for non-government organizations and First Nations to provide employment training.
- \$1.457 million under the Labour Market Agreement to provide programming for unemployed and underemployed clients including social assistance recipients, older workers, youth and persons with disabilities.
- \$1.146 million over three years to the Northern Institute of Social Justice at Yukon College to deliver training programs to enhance the capacity of Yukoners whose work involves social justice.
- Continuation of the Community Development Fund (CDF) that has funded hundreds of community projects since its re-establishment in 2003 totaling over \$19 million.
- \$625,000 for the Yukon Film and Sound Commission to create 13 one minute webisode commercials advertising Yukon as a premier wilderness and snow filming location that will employ and train 40 Yukon film industry members.
- \$50,000 for 16 artists under the Yukon Sound Recording Program.
- \$40.895 million for a variety of work including upgrades, reconstruction, resurfacing, and erosion control on the Robert Campbell Highway, North Alaska Highway, Dempster Highway, Atlin Road, Annie Lake Road, the Fish Lake Road and Jackson Lake Road including the Shakwak Project.
- \$4.8 million for improvements to Yukon's airports.
- \$9.66 million for bridge work including repainting, rehabilitation and replacements.
- \$15.1 million for land development projects in Dawson, Carmacks, Destruction Bay, Haines Junction, Mayo, Watson Lake, and Whitehorse.

ENVIRONMENT

- \$33.923 million for remediation work at Faro Mine.
- \$2.184 million over two years to build a research and rehabilitation centre and barn at the Wildlife Preserve.
- \$100,000 for Ross River Resource Planning involving the Ross River Dena Council and the mineral industry to develop a resource plan for the traditional use area of the Ross River Dena and enhance community capacity through an outdoor education program of environmental management and cultural awareness.

- \$175,000 for the Yukon Placer Secretariat working in partnership with the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Government to increase the ability of individual First Nation governments to participate in the adaptive management process related to the Fish and Habitat Management System for Yukon Placer Mining.
- \$1.052 million for the Expansion of Yukon's Forestry Research Infrastructure including the upgrading and renovation of greenhouses and the development of a research laboratory at the Forest Management Branch compound, and the research centre at the Gunnar Nilsson Mickey Lammers Research Forest.
- \$115,000 for Champagne and Aishihik First Nations' spruce beetle impact mitigation project.
- \$1 million for Firesmart Program.
- \$844,000 for the Cold Climate Innovation Centre.
- \$1.133 million under the Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund to improve Little Salmon Carmacks First Nation water supply.
- \$1.45 million to upgrade surface water treatment in Carcross.
- \$3.41 million to provide arsenic treatment upgrades for the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations, the Carcross Tagish First Nation, the communities of Haines Junction and Teslin.
- \$1.1 million to treat Ross River water supply for arsenic and manganese.
- \$1.521 million to complete installation of new mechanical waste water treatment plant in Carmacks.
- \$200,000 for feasibility study and investigation of septic field issues for Destruction Bay water and sewer.
- \$200,000 for feasibility and investigation of sewage lagoon performance in winter in Burwash.
- \$150,000 for sewage treatment options for Old Crow.
- \$16.8 million for Dawson Sewage Treatment and District Heating through the installation of a wood chip fueled boiler to heat the Dawson Wastewater Treatment Facility, Reservoir Pump House and potable water system.
- \$320,000 for implementation of Solid Waste Action Plan and \$262,000 for transfer stations including Carcross and Tagish.
- \$67,000 for Corporate Shredding and Recycling Program involving people with disabilities that processed 30 tons of shredded material and 15 tons of recycled material in the previous year.
- Elimination of single use bags by the Yukon Liquor Corporation will divert 12 metric tons of waste from Yukon Landfills each year.
- Continuation of a broad range of energy efficiency and renewable energy programs through the Energy Solutions Centre to assist Yukoners in lowering their energy costs and reduce Yukon's greenhouse gas emissions.

BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE

- \$2.7 million for the design of the new F.H. Collins Secondary School.
- \$126,000 for the Four Winds-Family and Community Literacy Project.
- \$100,000 for the Old Crow Experiential Project that will provide a First nations experiential model for kindergarten to grade 9.
- \$120,000 for an organization and Capacity Development Initiative with the Nacho Nyak Dun First Nation to increase the capacity of Yukon First Nations to fully participate in Yukon's social, economic and political future and assist in the development of Yukon's corporate capacity approach in support of Yukon First Nations capacity development.
- \$950,000 to enable Yukon College to develop an interdisciplinary research and commercialization facility to further enhance its research, commercialization, education and training capacity.
- \$1.4 million over two years commencing 2009-2010 for the Pelly Crossing Community Campus.
- \$2.6 million over two years commencing 2009-2010 for the Dawson City Community Campus.
- \$330,000 to support programming and core operating costs for three youth-serving organizations-Bringing Youth towards Equality, Youth of Today Society and The Boys and Girls Club of Whitehorse.
- \$312,000 in the first year of a three-year initiative to implement new Victims of Crime Strategy.
- Integration of the Street Crime Reduction Team as a permanent addition to the duties of the RCMP.
- \$28 million for new Whitehorse Correctional Centre.
- \$185,207 in the first year of a three year Social Marketing and Public Education campaign focusing on violence against women.
- \$215,420 to implement the recommendations of the Yukon Aboriginal Women's Summit.
- \$200,000 for Prevention of Violence Against Aboriginal Women Initiative.
- \$300,000 for Women's Equality Fund.
- \$38,000 in enhanced funding for the Yukon Women's Transition Home Society (Kaushee's) and \$15,000 for Help and Hope for Families Society in Watson Lake.
- \$3.3 million to complete 30-unit Whitehorse Affordable Housing Complex for single parent families in Riverdale.
- \$7 million for replacement of Korbo Apartments social housing in Dawson City.
- \$2.682 million for replacement of obsolete trailer units in Carmacks, Ross River and Dawson City.

- \$2.2 million for six social housing units in Whitehorse.
- \$3.7 million to upgrade existing social housing units Yukon wide.
- \$1.64 million for Whitehorse Abbeyfield Seniors Housing.
- \$11.25 million for replacement of #207 Alexander Street Seniors Housing in Whitehorse.
- \$250,000 to complete 6-unit senior's housing project in Faro.
- \$1.5 million for 8-unit senior's housing project in Teslin.
- \$1.5 million to complete 12-unit Watson Lake Senior's Building.
- \$851,000 for 6 multi-bedroom Townhouses in Ingram subdivision in Whitehorse.
- \$527,000 to enhance and support the Yukon Home Care Program to provide services to all Yukoners, but particularly for those who require home care outside of Whitehorse.
- \$122,000 to complete the new Children's Receiving Home for boys being constructed on the site of the former home in Whitehorse.
- \$233,000 for Alcohol and Drug Services in collaboration with Family and Children Services and the Youth Outreach Program at the Skookum Jim Friendship Centre to operate a 4 bed Youth Emergency Shelter.
- \$195,000 to implement a foster care rate increase of 17% effective October 1, 2009 and provide annual increases effective April 1, 2010 based on the Whitehorse Consumer Price Index.
- \$80,000 to operate the Youth Achievement Centre that provides program funding for youth at risk in order to gain the required skills in the area of carpentry and wood working to be apprentice level ready.
- \$2.019 million for teleradiology to provide computed radiology in 13 Community Health Centres.
- \$120,000 for Telehealth expanding Telehealth video conferencing equipment into First Nation offices.
- \$38,000 to provide a 24 hour crisis-information line through the Alcohol and Drug Information Referral Service (ADIRS) that offers the public access to addiction support workers at all times.
- \$447,228 for the Yukon Addiction Services Systems Standards and Evaluation Project that will enhance, create and document systems that standardize Detox and Treatment practices.
- \$90,200 to provide a Alcohol and Drug Services addictions counselor for the Community Wellness Court.
- \$100,000 for a smokers help line to provide Yukon smokers telephone-based counseling services to support their efforts to quit.
- Partnering with Alberta to train Yukoners to deliver the Bariatric Weight Wise Program for morbid obesity.

- \$808,000 Comprehensive Municipal Grant Increase and \$121,000 increase for community operations in unincorporated communities.
- \$357,000 for planning and design for a new Whitehorse Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Ambulance-Dispatch Station.
- \$250,000 to purchase two new ambulances and \$168,000 for new pumper-tanker truck for Protective Services.
- \$250,000 to design a new Ross River Fire Hall/Truck Storage and water treatment building.
- \$823,000 under the Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RinC) program to improve and upgrade recreational facilities in Dawson City, Carcross, Watson Lake, Carmacks, Mount Lorne, Beaver Creek and Ross River.
- \$150,000 over two years to support the 2011 North American Indigenous Games.
- \$120,000 to support Yukon participation in the 2011 Halifax Canada Winter Games.
- \$1 million to support the City of Whitehorse hosting the 2012 Arctic Winter Games.