

National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

City of Lethbridge Work Plan

Starting in 2021, the City of Lethbridge will work with community partners on a series of projects aimed at addressing social, economic and institutional barriers facing Indigenous women, girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ peoples in our community.

Governance Initiatives

Review and address institutional barriers and create frameworks for positive relations.

- Create Elders Advisory Committee
- Explore adoption of UNDRIP
- Update Reconciliation Plan
- Build frameworks for urban and regional Indigenous engagement
- Review how incidents are reported
- Review City bylaws for barriers
- Commit to Indigenous awareness training
- Incorporate GBA+ framework
- Create an annual report to community

Social Initiatives

Support greater access to social and cultural opportunities and security of person.

- Commemorate victims and families
- Continue planning for Indigenous Cultural Centre
- Research business case for Indigenous Women's Shelter
- Better reflect Indigenous cultures in public spaces
- Update Eyes in Motion program to create safe harbour locations
- Expand Recreation and Culture fee assistance program
- Incorporate lived-experience into City work
- Support cultural programming in Downtown

Economic Initiatives

Create employment, business and economic opportunities.

- Create Indigenous student employment program
- Review hiring practices
- Adopt an employment equity policy
- Increase Indigenous procurement
- Pilot transit fee assistance for employment programs

Education Initiatives

Increase the level of awareness and ally-ship in the community by focusing on Truth.

- Create Indigenous Awareness Training program
- Advocate to Lethbridge Police Commission
- Continue to support annual Sisters in Spirit event
- Create MMIWG toolkit
- Create Reconciliation ally toolkit
- Launch anti-racism campaign