

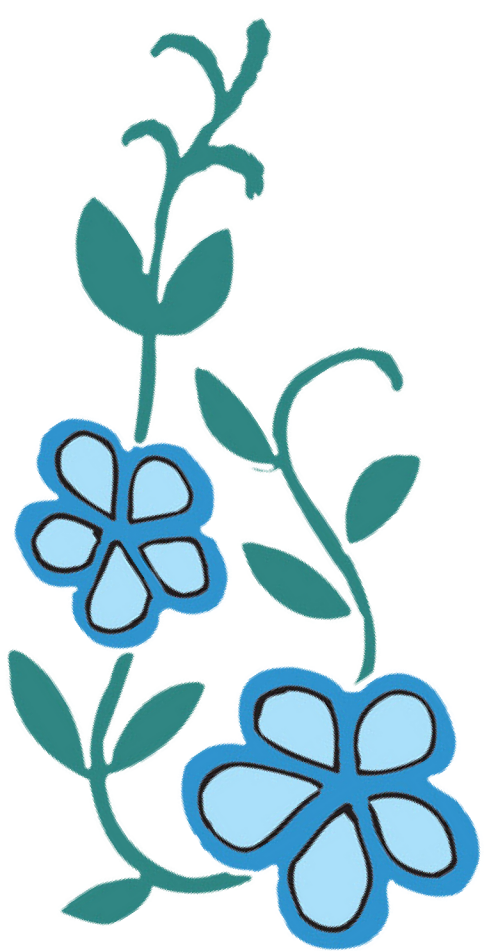


Strategic Plan

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2024-2029

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VALUES

YUKON NATIVE LANGUAGE CENTRE STAFF VALUE...

- Safe, comfortable, and accessible language spaces, resources, and programs.
- Honouring our ways, our ancestors, our future generations and our languages.
- Driven dedication and hope for full language revitalization and use.
- Grounding our work in connection and respect.
- Relationships and collaboration with Yukon First Nations, our partners, and language advocates.



YUKON FIRST NATION VALUE STATEMENTS

Language must live in the home, with families and throughout the community. ●

Language is connected to cultural vitality, land, identity, health and success in life. ●

Language learning is lifelong, holistic and across all sectors of society. ●

- 2018-2020 Yukon Native Language Centre Strategic Plan



MULTI-GENERATIONAL VISION

Babies are learning their traditional language as their first language in the home and intergenerational transmission is restored.

- 2018-2020 Yukon Native Language Centre Strategic Plan

VISION 2024-2029

Highly fluent speakers of all ages are advocating for, communicating in, and sharing our languages broadly in all aspects and domains of their lives.



STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- 2018-2020 Yukon Native Language Centre Strategic Plan



RECLAIM

YNLC will work with YFNs to increase the number of YNLC supported, community based, and First Nation controlled language programs and services.



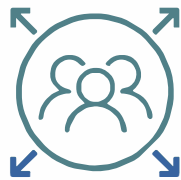
RESTORE

YNLC will work with YFNs to increase the number of fluent speakers.



PRESERVE

YNLC will work with YFNs to increase the number of resources that are safely archived, digitized and accessible to YFNs.



CAPACITY BUILDING

YNLC will work with YFNs to provide technical expertise and training opportunities.



LANGUAGE RESOURCES

YNLC will work with YFNs to increase language resources available for localization and application.



PROTECT

YNLC will work with YFNs to increase the level of protection for YFN languages.

GOALS



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EXPAND ADULT PROGRAMS

OBJECTIVE 1:

Review the Indigenous Languages Proficiency Program to gauge student fluency development within a part-time program.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2025

LEAD:
Language Program Manager

OBJECTIVE 2:

Build and support adult language programs to be available in all Yukon communities based on Yukon First Nation strategic language plans, goals and community readiness (Mentor Apprentice Program, Silent Speaker Program, Adult Proficiency Program).

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2029

LEAD:
Language Training Officers

OBJECTIVE 3:

Expand full-time adult language proficiency programs.

- Partner with Yukon First Nations to develop and deliver local and community-driven four-five-year full-time language fluency programs.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2029

LEAD:
Language Program Manager



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BUILD COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH FIRST NATION GOVERNMENTS, FIRST NATION-LED ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS TO SUPPORT LANGUAGE REVITALIZATION.

● OBJECTIVE 1:

Establish a Language Advisory Committee with representatives from all Yukon First Nation language departments to enhance joint projects and initiatives.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2026

LEAD:
Director

● OBJECTIVE 2:

Work with the Council of Yukon First Nations to establish a Chiefs Committee on Language.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2026

LEAD:
Director

● OBJECTIVE 3:

Build and strengthen full-time language nest programs in partnership with Yukon First Nations with the goal of supporting:

- Two urban nests
- Two community nests

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2029

LEAD:
Language Training Officer

● OBJECTIVE 4:

Continue work with First Nation-led organizations like the First Nations School Board and Yukon First Nation Education Directorate to identify joint projects and initiatives to support the development of successful language programs within the education system.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2029

LEAD:
Director



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IMPROVE ACCESS TO EXISTING YUKON NATIVE LANGUAGE CENTRE RESOURCES AND LANGUAGE DATA.

● OBJECTIVE 1:

Build and maintain a current database of Yukon Native Language Centre resources and archives.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2026

LEAD:
Language Resource Officer

● OBJECTIVE 2:

Design a process to collaborate with Yukon First Nations to identify content of Yukon Native Language Centre audio and video assets with a goal of increasing access and use.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2026

LEAD:
Archivist

● OBJECTIVE 3:

Digitize a minimum of 50% of the Yukon Native Language Centre audio-recording assets.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2029

LEAD:
Archivist

● OBJECTIVE 4:

Support audio, textual, and video resource distribution and increased archival access to language content throughout the territory.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2029

LEAD:
Language Resource Officer



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CREATE ACCESSIBLE LANGUAGE RESOURCES THAT CAN MEET SPEAKERS, TEACHERS, AND STUDENTS AT THE LEVEL THEY ARE AT.

● **OBJECTIVE 1:**

Increase online language reference materials with audio.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2026

LEAD:
Language Resource Officer

● **OBJECTIVE 2:**

Partner with language instructors, teachers, language program staff to create resources for language learners at various proficiency levels, with a strong focus on increasing intermediate to advanced language level resources.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2026

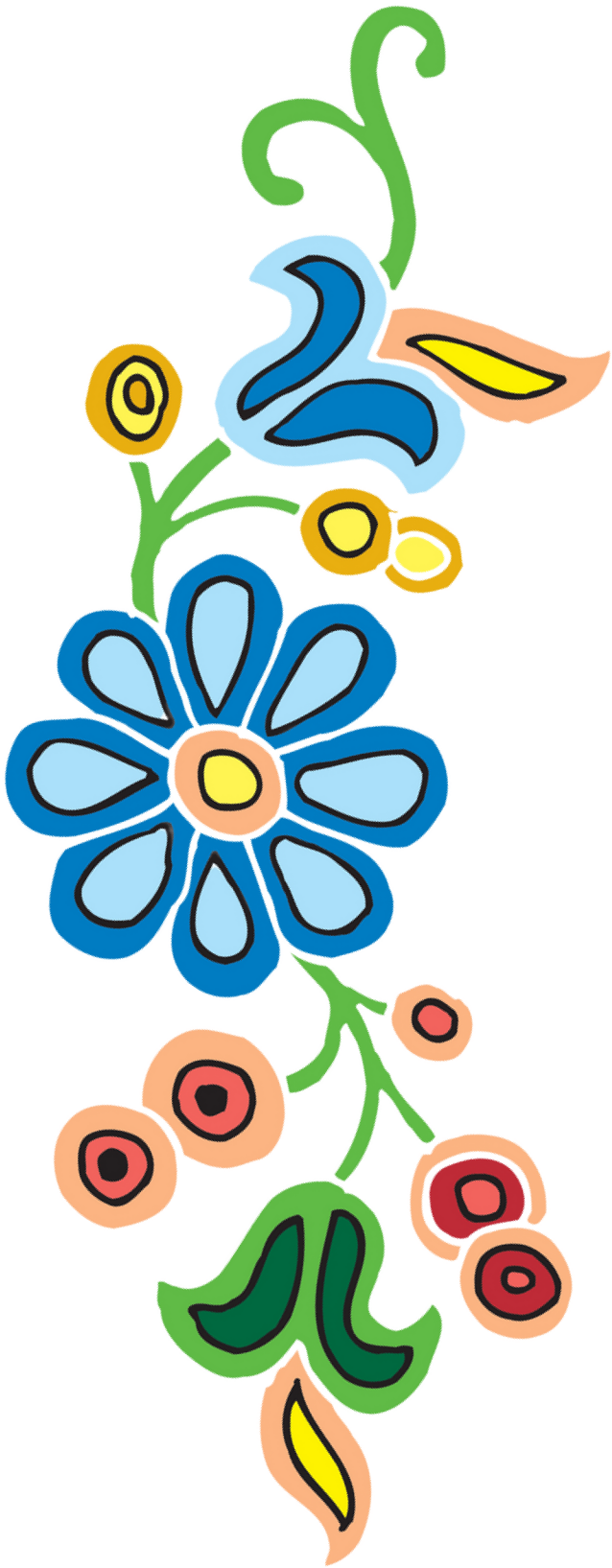
LEAD:
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● **OBJECTIVE 3:**

Support the creation and development of a Yukon First Nation Language Curriculum Framework and locally designed language curriculum from emerging to fluent speaker.

TIMELINE:
2024 - 2027

LEAD:
Language Curriculum Specialist



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