

# OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO CLOSE SOCIO-ECONOMIC GAPS BETWEEN INDIGENOUS AND NON-INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

## CORE INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC SUCCESS



### EMPLOYMENT

- Ensure community workforce plans are informed by local employment needs of businesses so students can target education plans accordingly



### INCOME

- Increase training and internship opportunities for employees to increase their earning potential in higher income occupations



### COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

- Co-develop a broad dashboard of well-being outcomes to reflect mutually agreed-upon metrics (health, culture, environment, language)

## UNDERLYING INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC SUCCESS



### ENTREPRENEURSHIP & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

- Enhance business services and raise awareness of funding supports and programs
- Provide access to skills training for new business owners
- Fund Aboriginal Financial Institutions to ensure entrepreneurs are able to access capital



### INFRASTRUCTURE

- Bring advanced connectivity to Northern and remote communities
- Continue and expand investment in housing



### EDUCATION

- Improve on-reserve education systems
- Develop bridging programs to help students wanting to upgrade from college to university
- Invest in distance education programs
- Expand and continue scholarship funding



### GOVERNANCE

- Examine needs and opportunities aimed at urban Indigenous populations
- Support governance and financial management training and certification



### LANDS AND RESOURCES

- increase resources to the Additions to Reserve program to expedite applications

## GENDER, YOUTH AND IDENTITY GROUP



### GENDER

- Develop or adjust policy and programs to improve educational outcomes for men and employment/income outcomes for women



### FIRST NATIONS

- Ensure distinctions-based approach to program and policy development
- Focus on better data collection and assessment of policy measures that stimulate economic development



### INUIT



### MÉTIS



### YOUTH

- Promote Indigenous entrepreneurship amongst youth
- Create urban Indigenous healing and employment hubs
- Create an alumni fund to enable mentorship