

Sturgeon County Interpretation of Municipal Calls to Action

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| 1 | 80. We call upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to honour Survivors, their families, and communities, and ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Other EMR Communities |
| 2 | 57. To provide education to public servants on the history of Aboriginal peoples, including the history and legacy of residential schools, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Treaties and Aboriginal rights, Indigenous law, and Aboriginal–Crown relations. This will require skills-based training in intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights, and anti-racism. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Other EMR Communities, AB Municipalities Association, Law Firm |
| 3 | 47. We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to repudiate concepts used to justify European sovereignty over Indigenous peoples and lands, such as the Doctrine of Discovery and terra nullius, and to reform those laws, government policies, and litigation strategies that continue to rely on such concepts. | Other EMR Communities |
| 4 | 66. We call upon the federal government to establish multi-year funding for community-based youth organizations to deliver programs on reconciliation, and establish a national network to share information and best practices. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, AB Municipalities Association |
| 5 | 40. To create, in collaboration with Aboriginal people, adequately funded and accessible Aboriginal-specific victim programs and services with appropriate evaluation mechanisms. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Other EMR Communities, AB Municipalities Association, Law Firm |
| 6 | 75. To develop and implement, with the federal government and others, strategies and procedures for the ongoing identification, documentation, maintenance, commemoration, and protection of residential school cemeteries or other sites at which residential school children were buried. This is to include the provision of appropriate memorial ceremonies and commemorative markers to honour the deceased children. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Other EMR Communities, Law Firm |
| 7 | 17. We call upon all levels of government to enable residential school Survivors and their families to reclaim names changed by the residential school system by waiving administrative costs for a period of five years for the name-change process and the revision of official identity documents, such as birth certificates, passports, driver's licenses, health cards, status cards, and social insurance numbers. | Other EMR Communities, AB Municipalities Association |
| 8 | 69. We call upon Library and Archives Canada to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Fully adopt and implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) and the United Nations Joint-Orientlicher Principles, as related to Aboriginal peoples' inalienable right to know the truth about what happened and why, with regard to human rights violations committed against them in the residential schools. ii. Ensure that its record holdings related to residential schools are accessible to the public. iii. Commit more resources to its public education materials and programming on residential schools. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Other EMR Communities, AB Municipalities Association |
| 9 | 77. To work collaboratively with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation to identify and collect copies of all records relevant to the | Other EMR Communities, AB |

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| | history and legacy of the residential school system, and to provide these to the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation. | Municipalities Association, Law Firm |
| 10 | <p>55. We call upon all levels of government to provide annual reports or any current data requested by the National Council for Reconciliation so that it can report on the progress towards reconciliation. The reports or data would include, but not be limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The number of Aboriginal children—including Métis and Inuit children—in care, compared with non-Aboriginal children, the reasons for apprehension, and the total spending on preventive and care services by child-welfare agencies. ii. Comparative funding for the education of First Nations children on and off reserves. iii. The educational and income attainments of Aboriginal peoples in Canada compared with non-Aboriginal people. iv. Progress on closing the gaps between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities in a number of health indicators such as: infant mortality, maternal health, suicide, mental health, addictions, life expectancy, birth rates, infant and child health issues, chronic diseases, illness and injury incidence, and the availability of appropriate health services. v. Progress on eliminating the overrepresentation of Aboriginal children in youth custody over the next decade. vi. Progress on reducing the rate of criminal victimization of Aboriginal people, including data related to homicide and family violence victimization and other crimes. vii. Progress on reducing the overrepresentation of Aboriginal people in the justice and correctional systems. | |
| 11 | 87. To provide, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, sports halls of fame, and other relevant organizations, public education that tells the national story of Aboriginal athletes in history. | Other EMR Communities, Law Firm |
| 12 | 64. We call upon all levels of government that provide public funds to denominational schools to require such schools to provide an education on comparative religious studies, which must include a segment on Aboriginal spiritual beliefs and practices developed in collaboration with Aboriginal Elders. | Other EMR Communities |
| 13 | 88. To take action to ensure long-term Aboriginal athlete development and growth, and continued support for the North American Indigenous Games, including funding to host the games and for provincial and territorial team preparation and travel. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Law Firm |
| 14 | 43. To fully adopt and implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People as the framework for reconciliation. | Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Other EMR Communities |