



# NEWSLETTER

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## PARTNER LETTER

**Happy New Year and welcome to the first 2020 edition of our newsletter.**

The New Year is always a time of reflection, what do we want the new year to bring? What are your New Years resolutions? We are finding new and exciting ways to add value to what we do, such as launching our database, creating streamlined systems and processes, and preparing new services and supports to better serve the communities and organizations that we work with across the country. In 2020, our relationships will continue to be a significant focus for our entire team. Whether it is lobbying in Ottawa in February or continuing to develop our comprehensive list of funding supports, Strategies North will continue to explore new and innovative ways to build capacity both internally and externally.

We are very excited going into the new year and look forward to hearing and sharing our successes, our clients' successes and successes in the Indigenous landscape that inspires us all. Our entire team wishes you and yours all the best and continued success in 2020.



*Anna Bailey*



## KAL TIRE REPLAY FUND

The Kal Tire Replay fund is available to non-profit organizations, schools, municipalities and First Nations located in the provinces/territories where Kal Tire does business (excludes the Maritimes and Nunavut).

Kal Tire is providing funding for the purchase, freight, and installation of recycled rubber products made from scrap tires to enhance communities and increase awareness about recycling. Some common uses of recycled rubber include playground surfaces, kids play structures, flooring, roofing, landscape tiles and paving.

**Details:** Funding will be awarded by the end of April, 2020 for projects up to \$30,000.

**Deadline:** February 29, 2020

For more information, visit <https://www.kaltire.com/en/responsibility-replay/>

## VIRTUAL OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

**We are excited to announce the launch of our new Virtual Operations Management Support System!**

This service will help our clients with the management of existing or new businesses, giving them a chance to grow. From large companies to small, we hope to be able to fill in the current gaps that can make your companies successful and profitable.

The Virtual Operations Management service will be offered on an annual subscription basis, in order to provide consistent, ongoing support in building up your business. The subscription will include professional support, administration or Assistant Manager support, monthly call-ins or online meetings, and community visits. The types of support offered by this service include **Executive Support, Virtual Operations Management, Marketing Support, Research and Problem Solving.**

Contact any member of the Strategies North team to learn more about how our Virtual Operations Management Support System could help your business!

## KEY DATES

**January 27: Agri-Food Innovation Initiative (ON)**

Deadline to apply

**February 7: Indigenous and Northern Initiatives Fund (MB)**

Deadline to apply

**February 15: NDIT Connecting BC**  
Deadline to apply for Phase Three of the program

**February 17:** Family Day, Statutory Holiday

**February 18-21; 24-28: Ottawa Lobbying Trips**

## SXFN

### Our January client profile is Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation!

Located on the Fraser River, BC, Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation (SXFN) was formally two distinct bands: Canoe Creek and Dog Creek. In the late 19th century the two lower Fraser River bands joined together as Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation. Today, they honor their separate histories while they have together become a politically self-sustaining Secwepemc community with 745 registered Members.

Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation Members live in their Secwepemc culture and traditions within the beautiful landscape of their traditional territory. SXFN has an elected Chief and Council which consists of Chief Patrick Harry and five councilors.



For more information on Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation, visit:  
<https://sxfn.ca>

## FINDING THE PATH TO SHARED PROSPERITY

Some of the Strategies North team recently attended Finding the Path to Shared Prosperity, a one day event in Vancouver with government, industry, and Indigenous groups who shared their success stories in the UNDRIP era.

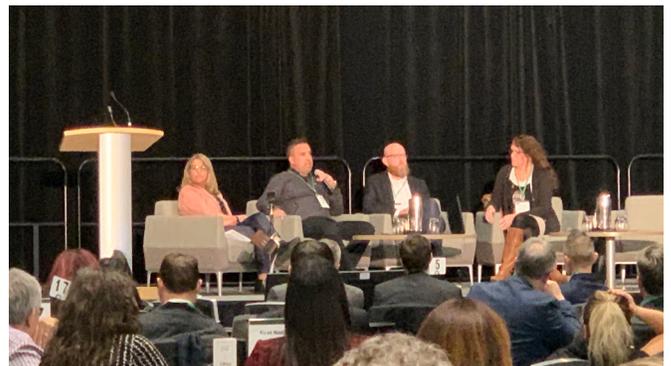
We would like to congratulate Chief Willie Sellars for his inspiring speech sharing the many successes of Williams Lake Indian Band!



Chief Willie Sellars



Katie, Chief Willie Sellars, Chief Patrick Harry, and Lauren



Dr. Michelle Corfield of Ucluelet First Nation (moderator) in conversation with Chief Harley Chappell, Semiahmoo First Nation; Braden Smith, chief administrative officer Tsawwassen First Nation; Deborah Baker, Councillor, Squamish First Nation

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Welcome Ethan!

Ethan Brooke is a Public Affairs and Policy Management student at Carleton University. He will be joining the Strategies North team part-time to help with research and our new database!

### Lobbying

January 17 is the final day to confirm your participation

in the February lobbying trips. Please contact us as soon as possible if you would like to participate.

### Newsletter Feedback

We're looking for your feedback! If you have any feedback or suggestions for our monthly newsletter, please send to Lauren at [l.mcivor@strategiesnorth.ca](mailto:l.mcivor@strategiesnorth.ca)