



8 Years of Strategies North

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Happy birthday to SN!



Eight years ago in January, Strategies North began in Anna and Grant's living room with a couple of proposals and engagement workshops. Since then, we have grown to a 30+ person team and enhanced the breadth and diversity of experience that we can offer our clients and partners. We will continue to develop new and innovative solutions to address our client's diverse needs, spanning everything from economic and financial development to social and cultural planning.

This year, we're celebrating:

- 4 new full-time staff
- 35+ clients in BC, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and the Yukon
- Over \$500 million in successful funding for communities
- Release of our digital app to organize, track, and research funds
- Lobbying trips, community engagements, and strategic planning projects
- New financial services offered through our [Director of Economic Development](#)

Thank you for joining us on this journey!

COMMUNITY ANALYST



Dylan Peyachew is one of our amazing Community Analysts. Dylan's kindness and sense of humour always light up a room. He is based out of Manitoba.

Dear Dylan, what project has been the most impactful for you and why?

"I was lucky enough to assist in the coordination of 2022's Pulling Together Canoe Journey for one of our client communities and the entire experience was special. Not

only did I learn valuable skills to use in future projects, but **I gained a deeper understanding and appreciation for the Secwepemc culture, an Indigenous culture that vastly differs from the Anishinaabe culture that I am familiar with.** The importance of this event to the host communities and participants was apparent and wildly impactful to witness and I hope to participate in a similar project in the future with our great team."

What is your role at SN in one or two sentences?

"I am one half of a dynamic client management duo who oversees the development of proposals from the idea phase through to completion. I have my hand in a bunch of internal work and find myself doing design work for social media and helping upkeep our intraweb platform."

News from clients & partners



MAKING THE SWITCH: Our friends at Ulkatcho First Nation and Dease River First Nation were two of 12 Indigenous communities in BC to receive \$7.1 million in provincial funding for alternative energy projects and transitions away from diesel. [Read the full provincial press release here](#) and learn about all the projects. Congratulations to all the successful communities embarking on these exciting projects!

Sts'ailes Health & Wellness Conference



bring together FNHA treatment centers, communities, health authorities, and sectors of government to strengthen the work of First Nations Treatment Centres in BC. This conference will be dedicated to creating new partnerships between stakeholders, discussing new developments in the field, and exploring opportunities to increase Treatment Centre capacity. Congrats to

Sts'ailes for working to forge stronger pathways of communication and knowledge across the province!

Funding opportunities



Keep your eye on these!

Upcoming funds - reach out to your SN contact if you'd like to pursue these funds or learn more about them!

[Emergency Management Funding.\(BC\):](#)

Supports projects aimed at improving emergency preparedness, response, disaster risk reduction, or recovery planning capacity. Ongoing.

[Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund](#) (cross-country):

Supports infrastructure projects designed to mitigate current and future climate-related risks and disasters triggered by natural hazards, such as floods, wildland fires, droughts and seismic events. Note that projects must have a budget of minimum \$1 million. Closes July 19th.

[Green and Inclusive Community Buildings](#) (cross-country):

Supports green and accessible retrofits, repairs or upgrades of existing public community buildings and the construction of new publicly-accessible community buildings. Closes February 28th.