

**NEW  
RELATIONSHIP  
TRUST  
FOUNDATION**

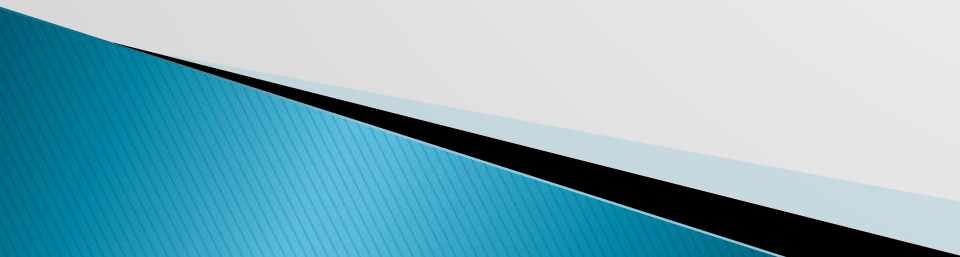


Education is a priority for Aboriginal people in British Columbia.

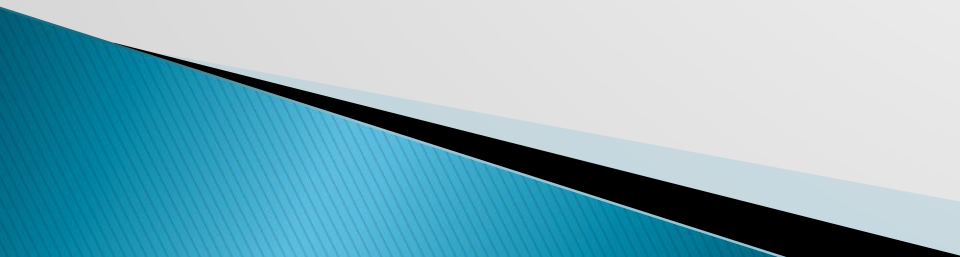
# Background

- ▶ New Relationship Trust (NRT) was established in 2006 with the passing of the New Relationship Trust Act of the Province of British Columbia, which involved a \$100 million fund transfer to NRT for First Nations capacity development initiatives in BC.



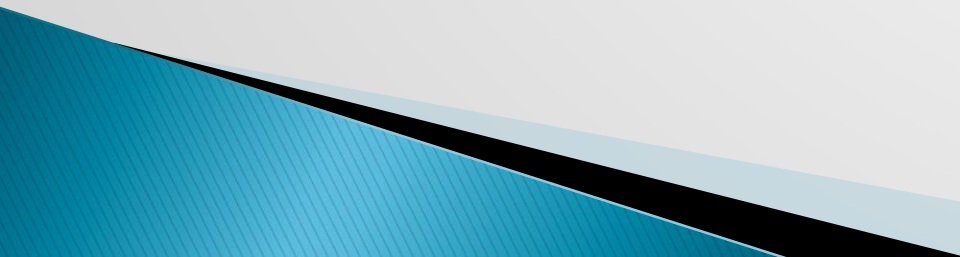
- ▶ NRT is overseen by an independent Board of Directors of seven individuals.
  - ▶ The NRT funds are professionally managed by three investment managers with assets divided between fixed income (40%) and equities (60%). The equity component is divided between Canadian Equities and global equities.
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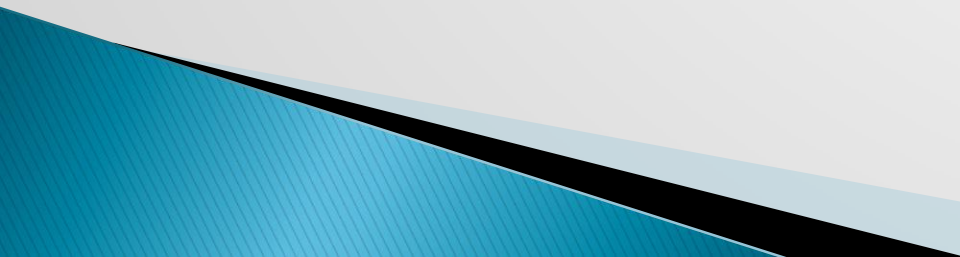
- ▶ NRT finances and manages five initiatives in support of First Nations in British Columbia:
  - Capacity Governance
  - Education (Scholarships and Bursaries)
  - Language Revitalization
  - Youth and Elders
  - Economic Development

- ▶ In 2011, NRT established the **New Relationship Trust Foundation** to ensure vital Aboriginal scholarships and bursaries continue to be provided through the establishment of an endowment. The endowment will be created from ongoing contributions from NRT and fundraising.
  - ▶ The objective is to raise \$30 million over the next ten years, while at the same time continuing the scholarship and bursary commitment to Aboriginal education.
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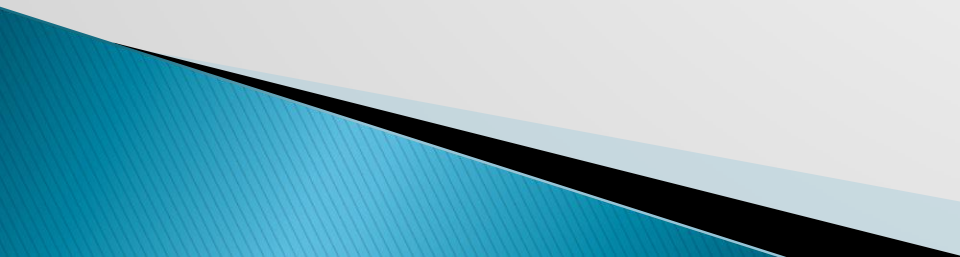
# Aboriginal Youth in BC

- ▶ As the world, our county and our province grow and develop, the education of our Aboriginal youth becomes increasingly important.
- ▶ Aboriginal youth have historically been disadvantaged in the area of secondary and post-secondary education; a circumstance that needs to be addressed at all levels.

- ▶ British Columbia is home to the second-largest Aboriginal population in the country – 5% of our province's total population.
  - ▶ The education of British Columbia's Aboriginal youth continues to be well below National and Provincial standards.
  - ▶ In 2006, there remained a significant gap of 20.6 percentage points in the high school completion rates of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Canadians.
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- ▶ 54% of Aboriginal people are located in cities.
  - ▶ Between 2001 and 2006, the Aboriginal population grew four times faster than that of non-Aboriginal Canadians, due in part to an increasing tendency to self-identify as Aboriginal.
  - ▶ With a median age of 26.5 – compared to 39.7 for non-Aboriginal Canadians – it is estimated by the federal government that over 600,000 Aboriginal youth will enter the labour market between 2001 and 2026.
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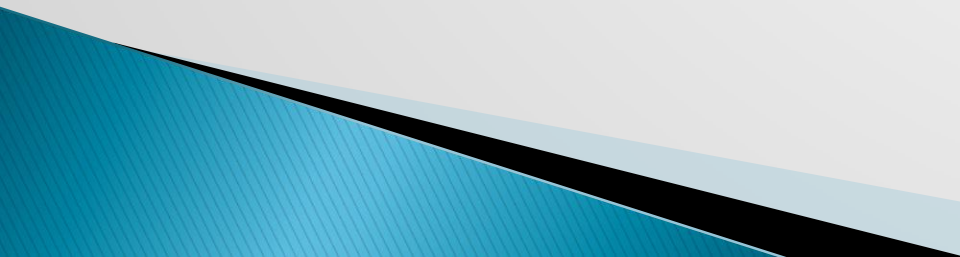
- ▶ In 2006, 34.5 per cent of Aboriginal people had completed some form of post-secondary education.
  - ▶ Even when Aboriginal students do not finish college or university programs, evidence shows those who have some post-secondary experience do better in terms of employment outcomes than those with none at all.
  - ▶ British Columbia's Aboriginal youth need and deserve the opportunities that come with advanced education, which will empower them to end the cycle of under-achievement.
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# Scholarship & Bursary Initiatives

## BURSARIES

- ▶ New Relationship Trust Foundation provides bursaries for Aboriginal students enrolled in trades, certificate and diploma programs.
- ▶ For trades students, the Foundation will also work with industries across the Province to provide possible employment internships and full-time employment opportunities upon graduation.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

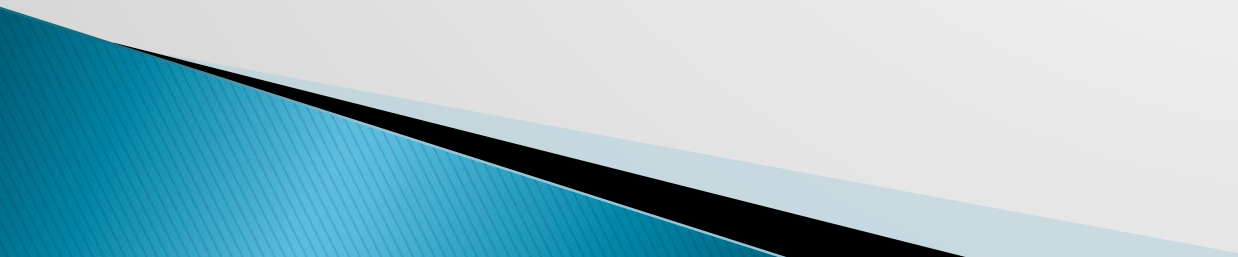
- ▶ New Relationship Trust Foundation provides scholarships for Aboriginal students enrolled in undergrad, masters and doctorate programs.
  - ▶ An independent committee evaluates each application and makes recommendations to the Foundation Board of who they feel should receive awards. Each award recipient agrees to achieve aggressive performance measurement standards, monitored by the Foundation on an ongoing basis.
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# Establishment of a Scholarship or Trade Bursary

- ▶ Donors that establish a Scholarship or Bursary with the Foundation will have the opportunity to name the Scholarship or Bursary (a corporation's name or an individual the donor wishes to recognize, subject to the endorsement of the Foundation).
- ▶ Should the donor not wish to name the Scholarship or Bursary, it will be established in the name of an historic First Nations leader in BC, with recognition provided to the donor.

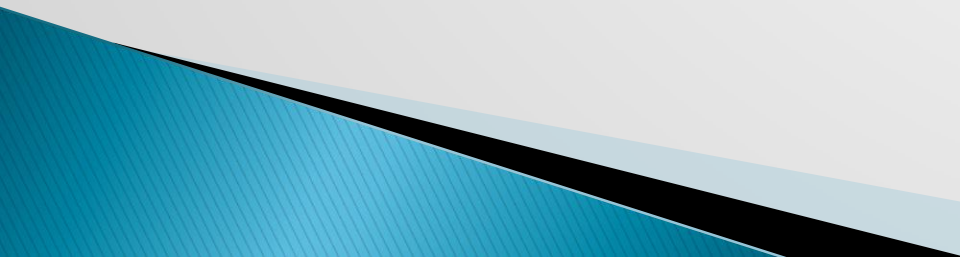
# Donor Advantages

- ▶ Donors will be given the opportunity of meeting the recipient of their Scholarship or Bursary, providing him or her with a mentor, encouraged to provide summer employment, and encouraged to assist the recipient in achieving full-time employment upon graduation.
- ▶ Donors will be provided ongoing reports on the award recipient's academic performance based on the agreed-upon measures.

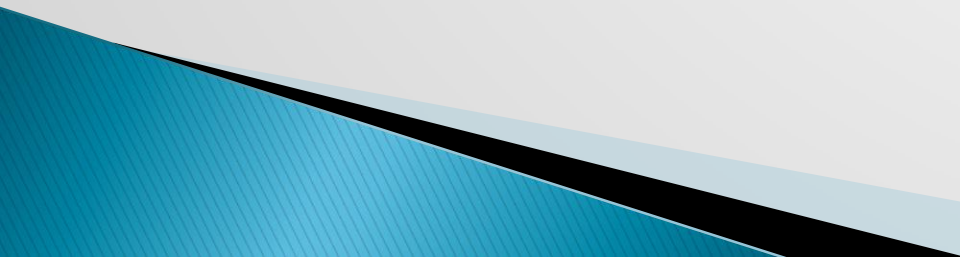
- ▶ Donors will be invited to an annual reception to honor donors and Scholarship and Bursary recipients.
  - ▶ Donors will be encouraged to empower employees to engage with the Foundation via volunteerism.
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# New Relationship Trust Foundation

## A registered charity

- ▶ Canada Revenue Agency receipts will be provided to all donors for the full amount of their donation, depending on the nature of their donation.
  - ▶ 10% of all expendable components of donations will be used for administrative purposes.
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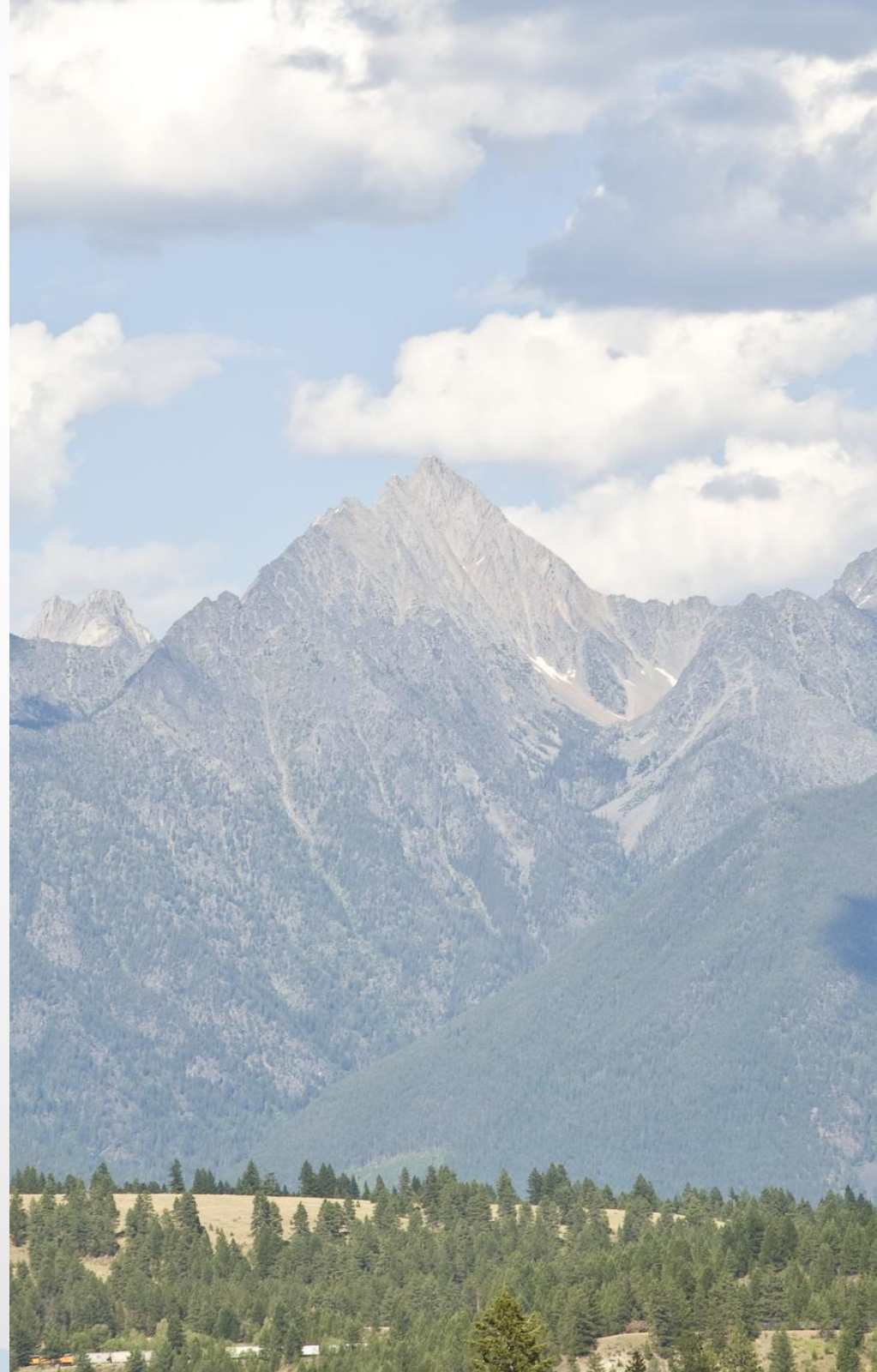
# Financial Commitment

- ▶ Naming a Scholarship or Bursary requires a four-year commitment.
  - ▶ Each year, the commitment will be awarded as the Scholarship / Bursary and used for administrative expenses.
  - ▶ The remainder of the commitment will be endowed to finance the Foundation awards in perpetuity.
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# Board of Directors

- ▶ The Foundation is overseen by a Board of three Trustees:
  - Judith Sayers, Chair
  - Hugh Braker, Treasurer
  - Cliff Fregin, Secretary



# Thank You

For further information on the  
New Relationship Trust Foundation visit:

[www.nrtf.ca](http://www.nrtf.ca)