

Assembly of First Nations

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Mission

To advocate for the rights, interests, and priorities of First Nations, as directed by First Nations-in-Assembly, and ensure their voices are heard and respected on matters affecting their Nations.

Vision

To restore confidence in the organization and build a strong future.

Goals

- 1. Foster stability within the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) and uphold transparency, accountability, and good governance, ensuring that the organization operates effectively.
- 2. Advance the strategic direction and mandates of First Nations-in-Assembly.

Priorities

Priority #1 – Champion Workplace Wellness

- 1. Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Hiring
- 2. Update AFN whistle-blower policy, code of conduct, harassment reporting process
- 3. Panel 13 Report Response
- 4. Address unresolved Executive Code of Conduct Complaints
- 5. Ensure completion of mandates, including Financial Accountability mandates (Resolution 03/2022, Investigation and Audit of AFN's Financial and Management Policies, and Resolution 43/2023, Review of the Past Ten Years of the Assembly of First Nations/National Indian Brotherhood Audits.)
- 6. Continue strong AFN Executive Committee Engagement

Priority #2 – Advancing First Nation Mandates

- 7. Advancing resolutions from First Nations-in-Assembly and addressing key gaps, with a focus on the 2021-2023 period
- 8. Spokesperson for AFN events, key meetings, and media