

NATIONAL INDIGENOUS CONNECTIVITY INC

ABOUT NICI

The National Indigenous Connectivity Initiative (NICI) works alongside First Nations, governments, and industry partners to ensure equitable access to broadband and spectrum, empowering communities to lead in the digital age.

We are actively partnering with industry, stakeholders, and Rights and Title holders in:

- **Advocating for Digital Equity** – Ensuring policy and funding decisions prioritize Indigenous connectivity.
- **Securing Spectrum for First Nations** – Supporting community control over telecommunications infrastructure.
- **Empowering Communities** – Providing tools, resources, and partnerships to build sustainable digital solutions.

At NICI, we believe that every First Nation deserves the opportunity to thrive in the digital age. Together, we can close the connectivity gap and build a stronger, more connected future for all.



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Invites you to our

National Indigenous Connectivity Conference

February 26-27, 2026

Grey Eagle Event Centre,
Tsuut'ina Nation, Calgary

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OUR MISSION

To advocate for remote and rural First Nation communities to have access to high-speed internet.





CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- First Nations Leadership
- Indigenous technicians and Internet Service Providers
- Small technology business entrepreneurs
- Government of Canada and provincial representatives
- Bell Canada executives

Day 1 - Global & Policy Perspectives

International Indigenous Working Committee (IIWC): Representatives highlighting global Indigenous strategies for digital inclusion.

Policy & Funding Presentations: CRTC and ISED on regulatory frameworks and funding opportunities supporting Indigenous connectivity.

Indigenous Services Canada Presentation: ISC officials offer their perspective and updates.

Evening Banquet: With Robert Ghiz (President & CEO, Canadian Telecommunications Association) keynote address.

Day 2 - Community & Industry Voices

Morning & Afternoon Panels: Leaders, communications companies, ISPs, and housing representatives. Focus: Expanding high-speed internet for remote and rural First Nations communities.

Closing Panel: Bell Canada presents on connectivity projects in specific First Nations across Turtle Island.

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