



EntrepreNorth
Empowering Innovation Spirit

Future Skills Centre Peer Learning Group

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Our Vision

A person wearing a blue jacket and a watch is sitting on the ground, playing a large, round, light-colored drum. The drum is resting on a rock. The person is holding a drumstick in their right hand and is about to strike the drum. The background is dark and blurry, suggesting an outdoor setting at night or in low light.

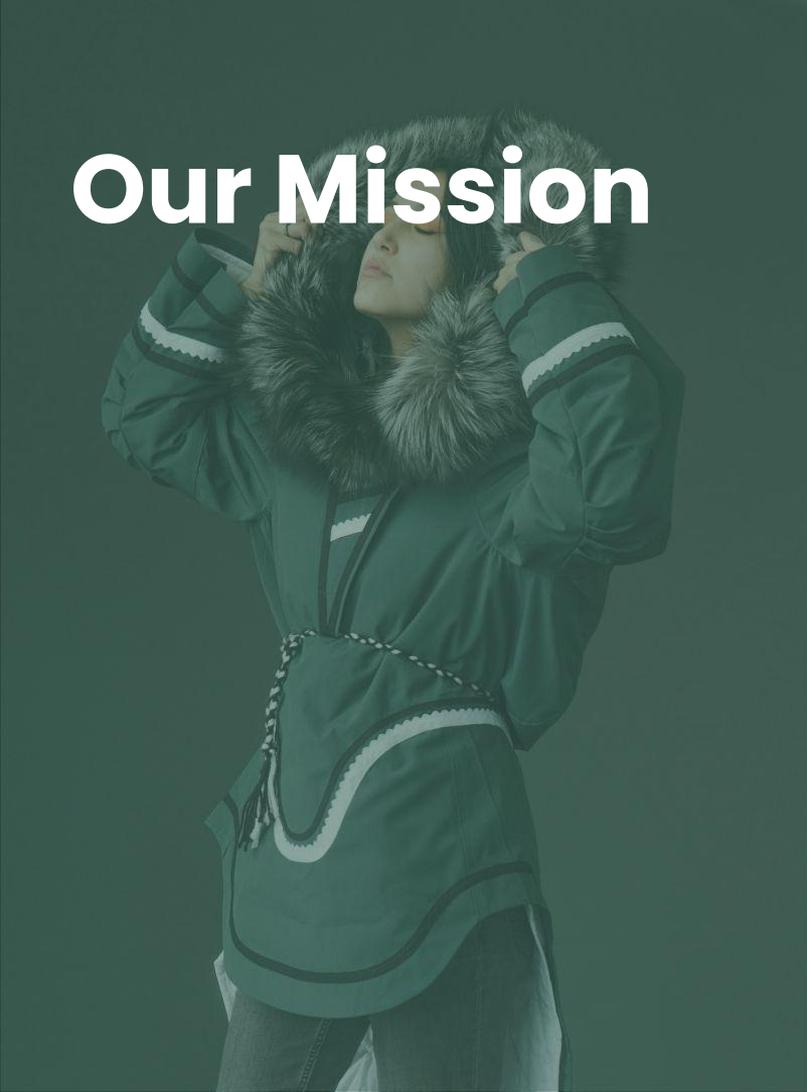
“A movement of Northern Indigenous entrepreneurs who are innovating solutions to strengthen economic resilience and community wellbeing for generations to come.”

A person wearing heavy winter clothing and gloves is using a pickaxe to break through a large, clear block of ice. The scene is set in a cold, snowy environment, with the ice reflecting light and creating a bright, crystalline texture. The person's hands are visible, gripping the handle of the pickaxe, and the tool is positioned to strike the ice. The overall atmosphere is one of determination and resilience.

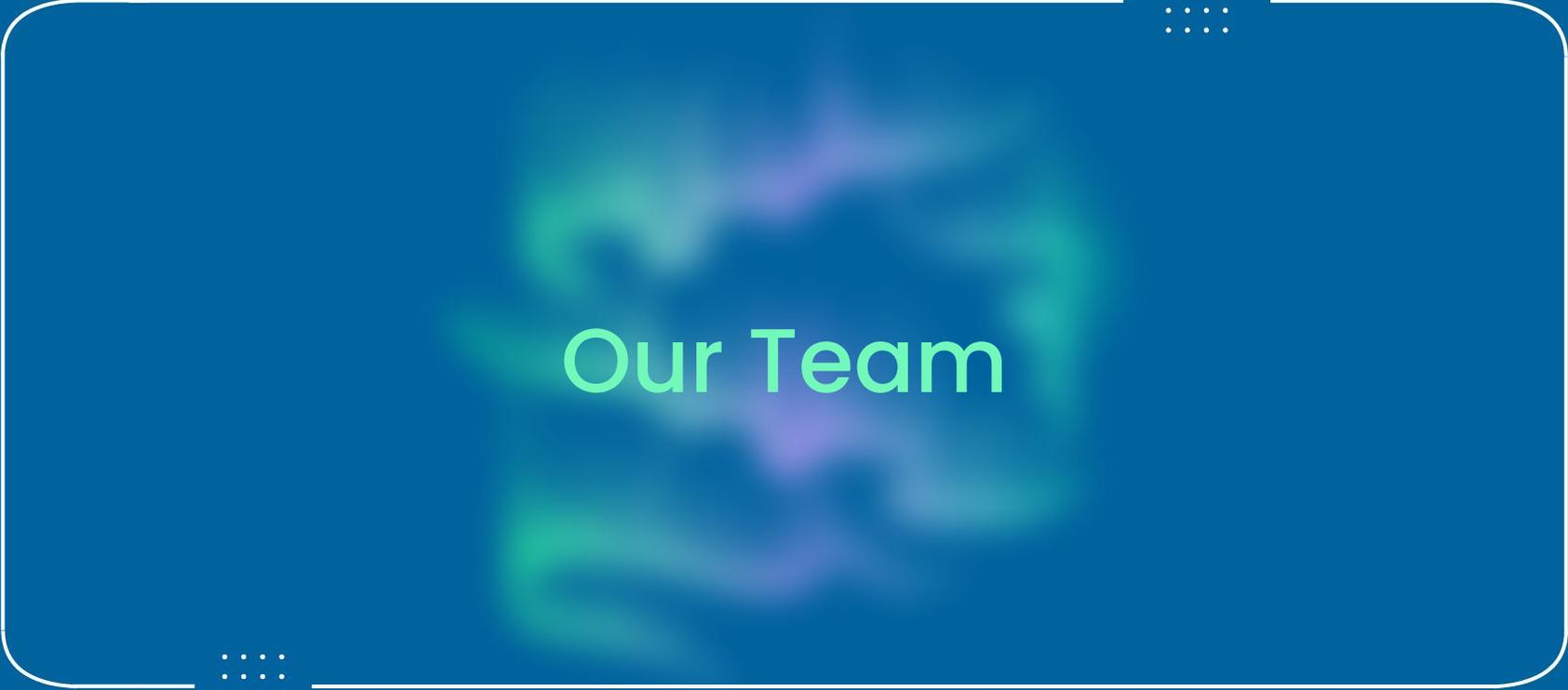
Our Purpose

“To advance thought leadership on business education and financial practices that honours Indigenous knowledge systems, creates social change, and generates new economic pathways.”

Our Mission

A woman is shown from the waist up, wearing a dark green parka with a large, thick fur-lined hood. She is adjusting the hood with both hands. The parka has white decorative stripes on the sleeves and a white decorative band around the waist. The background is a solid dark green color.

"Empowering Indigenous entrepreneurs to build sustainable businesses and livelihoods across Northern Canada."



Our Team

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75%
Indigenous

75%
Northern

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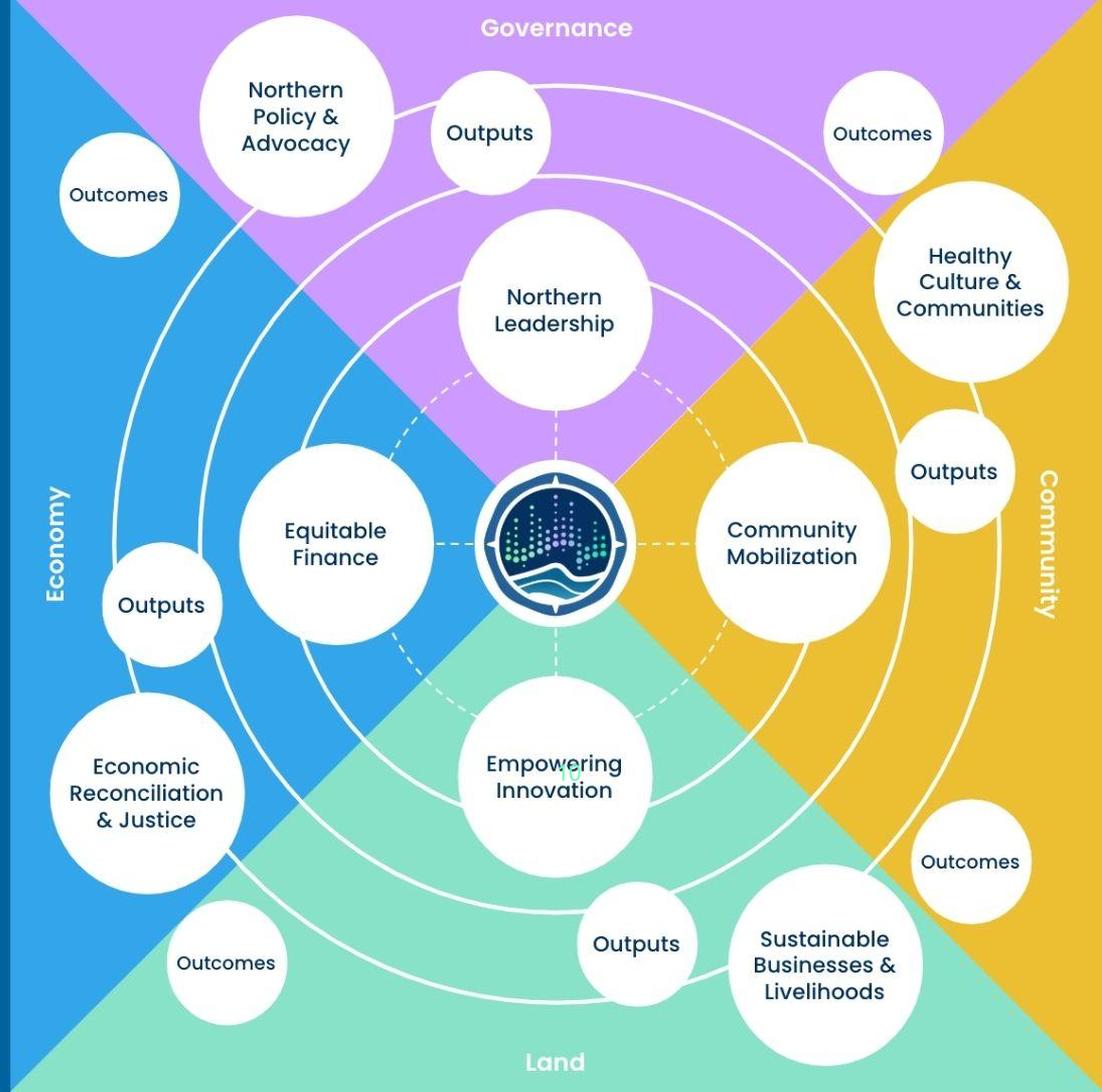
43%
Indigenous

72%
Northern



Our Change Theory

Our Four Directions of Change Theory





Northern Leadership

Strategic Goal A

To create a culture of innovation rooted in Indigenous knowledge, Northern capacity and restorative business practices





Community Mobilization

Strategic Goal B

To mobilize a community of changemakers who are amplifying stories of entrepreneurship, innovation and Indigenous excellence



Empowering Innovation

Strategic Goal C

To offer world-class business education & innovative spaces that are culturally relevant to Indigenous entrepreneurs and leaders

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Venture Out

Bobbi Rose Koe

Dinjii Zhuh
Adventures



Entrepreneur North



Equitable Finance

Strategic Goal D

To secure long-term funding that flows impact capital into the North and uplifts those catalyzing transformative change



GUNALCHISH!

MÁHSI

NAKURMIİK

HAY

QUYANAINNI

MÀHSI' CHOO

TSIN'II (CHOH) MASÌ

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QUANA

KINANASKOMITIN

GUNE LCHISH

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THANK YOU

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