



# 2022-2023 White Goose Flying Annual Progress Update

2023 April 18

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# Recommendation

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1. Establish an annual Regular Council Meeting with an Indigenous focus during the month of September, starting in 2024;
2. Direct Administration to incorporate the additional Regular Council Meeting into the Council Calendar for consideration at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council; and
3. Direct Administration to bring the next Progress Report on White Goose Flying to the 2024 September meeting of Council.

## Previous Council Direction

**The Priorities and Finance Committee recommend that Council direct Administration to:**

1. Identify the advancement of Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action as a priority for the City of Calgary and a responsibility of all leaders and staff;
2. Establish an annual report to Calgarians on the progress made on TRC Calls to Action where The City has either a direct (Own) or indirect (Partner or Encourage) role, as outlined in the White Goose Flying Report, reporting through the Priorities and Finance Committee; and,
3. Bring forward a request for a budget increase for the Indigenous Relations Office through the November 2021 budget deliberations that will accelerate the advancement of actions outlined in the White Goose Flying Report.

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The cover of the "White Goose Flying" report. It features a large flock of geese flying in a V-formation against a blue sky with light clouds. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of tall grasses and reeds. The text "White Goose Flying" is written in a large, white, serif font. Below it, in a smaller white font, is "A Report to Calgary City Council on the Indian Residential School Truth and Reconciliation". At the bottom right, it says "Calls to Action 2016".

# White Goose Flying

A Report to Calgary City Council on the Indian  
Residential School Truth and Reconciliation

Calls to Action  
2016

## Background

- 2015 Truth & Reconciliation Commission Final Report
- 2016 White Goose Flying Report, 3 categories:
  - Own (18 calls to action),
  - Partner (12 calls to action)
  - Encourage (13 calls to action)
- Confirmation of 215 unmarked graves in Kamloops
- Directed Annual White Goose Flying Progress Update
- Engagement with internal contributors

## 2022-2023 Highlights

1. Indian Residential School Memorial
2. Indigenous Gathering Place
3. Ceremonial space at the Municipal Building approved
4. Indigenous placemaking
5. Parallel engagement framework
6. Indigenous awareness training
7. Indigenous Awareness Week, Orange Shirt Day and Métis Week

A red and white Calgary Fire Department truck with the number 04 on its side. The truck is parked outdoors, and a person in an orange safety vest is visible in the foreground. The text "Calgary Fire Department" is printed in white on the red side panel of the truck.

Calgary Fire Department



## Looking Forward

- Additional resources for business units
- Expanding leadership support
- Including truth and reconciliation in service plans and budgets

## Next Steps

- Establish internal contributor group and meet quarterly
- Engage with Corporate Planning and Performance
- Report back to Council in September 2024

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