

JANUARY 2024 MONTH IN REVIEW

Northwest Territories

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Laws

Dec 7: The new Assembly elected R.J. Simpson, the MLA from Hay River North, to be the next premier of the Northwest Territories. Métis in origin, Simpson is a veteran who has served on the Assembly for nearly a decade. The territory follows a consensus-style government in which members run as independents and choose the premier and cabinet members among themselves by secret ballot.

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Dec 20: The Northwest Territories received an advance payment of \$84.3 million from the federal Disaster Financial Assistance Arrangements (DFAA) program to support assistance and recovery activities in response to the 2023 wildfires season, the worst in recent memory during which nearly 70% of NWT's population had to evacuate.

Workplace Violence

Dec 20: The Northwest Territories/Nunavut Council of Friendship Centres will receive \$615,000 from the federal government to implement their Gender-Based Violence Awareness and Training Workshops project. The funding comes under the National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence.

Action Point: Find out [how to protect your employees](#) from the risk of workplace domestic violence