

Yukon

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Laws

Aug 3: Yukon businesses, not-for-profit organizations, and municipal governments can now apply for Tier 2 Economic Development Fund support of between \$30,001 and \$100,000 per project. For the first time, applications will be accepted online through the Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture's online funding portal. Deadline to [apply](#): September 16.

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Aug 12: The Government of Yukon approved 26 projects across the territory awarding a total of \$810,339 through the Community Development Fund. Recipient projects include facility upgrades, community programming, cultural initiatives, feasibility studies, sporting events, and volunteer development. The Community Development Fund provides up to 90% of total project costs with funding divided into three tiers with separate application deadlines. Tier 1 applications of \$20,000 or less are due on January 15, May 15, July 15, and October 15. Tier 2 applications between \$20,001 and \$75,000 are due on April 15 and September 15. Tier 3 applications over \$75,000 are due on January 15.

Immigration

Jul 22: Yukon authorized the Yukon Medical Council to issue licences to family physicians from the U.S., U.K., Ireland, and Australia without an additional practice assessment or supervised practice period. Licences will be issued via the new "Limited A" pathway for qualified internationally trained physicians from approved countries with medical licensing standards at least equivalent to Yukon's.

Action Point: Find out about the [5 ways the new interprovincial free trade and labour mobility regulations impact HR operations](#).

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Jul 29: Yukon University will receive more than \$2.8 million in federal government support for clean energy research. The project will facilitate community-led renewable generation projects in northern communities via study of northern grid impacts.

Workplace Violence

Aug 7: [Online comments](#) closed on proposed new legislation governing private ownership of firearms in Yukon. The law will likely provide for the creation of a new firearms advocate to represent firearm owners, advise the government, and promote firearm safety education and training.

Action Point: Are you doing enough to protect your employees against violence at work? Find out about the 10 things you must do to [prevent workplace violence](#).

