



Partnering for Success in the North

Successful project delivery takes more than technical expertise. It requires transparency, collaboration and inclusiveness, as well as a clear understanding of what makes a community unique.

For more than 30 years, we have partnered with Indigenous communities and organizations in the North to deliver vital healthcare, education and infrastructure projects. We start each project by taking the time to listen to your story. We work on your behalf to complete your project successfully, respecting cultural and community objectives and reporting structures.

Understanding the community

Project delivery in the North requires the ability to anticipate potential issues such as resource and trade scarcity, market pricing volatility, and a shorter construction season, which can add complexity to project scheduling. Drawing on extensive Northern experience, our teams work in advance to identify and mitigate these risks before they impact projects.



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We also recognize that Northern construction is different, and that culturally-appropriate building design is essential to Indigenous communities. We understand that the building must fit the community.

In addition, we leverage our familiarity with Indigenous Services Canada’s specific funding regime and regulatory guidelines to help Indigenous clients secure critical funding and navigate processes.

Supporting economic growth

Capital projects and programs create excitement in the community, and should also contribute to its short and longer-term economic growth. Our teams approach each project with this mindset, taking every opportunity to:

- ensure building materials are selected to maximize local participation;
- integrate training, apprenticeship and skills transference into projects;
- encourage the hiring of local companies and labour; and
- contribute beyond the scope of a project, such as identifying a local use for construction accommodations once the project is complete.

Committed to Reconciliation

We are committed to improving our organization’s collective understanding of Indigenous people and their history. Indigenous cultural awareness training is mandatory for all Colliers Project Leaders employees. This training also supports our ongoing effort to create a workplace that attracts and retains all people, regardless of Nation, race, language or other differentiating feature.

Project experience

We are proud of the 60+ projects we have successfully delivered in partnership with Indigenous communities in Canada’s North, including:

Attawapiskat First Nation	Grassy Narrows First Nation	Obashkaandagaang First Nation
Bearskin Lake First Nation	Kasabonika Lake First Nation	Poplar Hill First Nation
Brunswick House First Nation	Kashechewan First Nation	Sagamok Anishnawbek First Nation
Bunibonibee Cree Nation	Keewaywin First Nation	Sandy Lake First Nation
Chapleau Cree First Nation	Kiashke Zaaging	Shoal Lake 40 First Nation
Constance Lake First Nation	Anishinaabek Nation	Wabauskang First Nation
Deer Lake First Nation	Lac la Croix First Nation	Wawakapewin First Nation
Eagle Lake First Nation	Little Saskatchewan First Nation	Weeneebayko Area Health Authority
Fort Francis Tribal Health Authority	Matachewan First Nation	Whitewater Lake First Nation
Fort Severn First Nation	Muskrat Dam First Nation	
	Neskantaga First Nation	
	North Caribou Lake First Nation	



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