



Dana Tizya- Tramm



Profile

I have years of experience in project management, strategic thinking, youth advocacy, organization development, inspirational speaking/public oration as well as First Nation governance that culminate in spear heading meaningful movement, towards desired goals.

Experience

PROJECT MANAGER, OUR VOICES; WHITEHORSE, YUKON TERRITORY — 2015-2017

I oversaw the development and coordination of Project Charters that governed most functions of this break-through indigenous youth initiative largely funded by the Gordon Foundation and Tides Canada. We successfully executed annual youth gatherings of over 250 in an off-grid rural setting revitalizing traditional practices and challenging contemporary narratives. We also ran many youth initiatives based on promoting civil participation in voting, responsible citizenship, cultural revitalization, as well as sponsorship and tuitions. I also spoke at many international forums on behalf of this organization

PRESIDENT, YOUTH OF THE PEEL SOCIETY; WHITEHORSE, YUKON TERRITORY — 2016-2018

I designed, implemented, and managed the board and function of an organization that fully funded and delivered a “no-trace” eco-tourism river guide training program for indigenous youth through a 64,000 km expanse of traditional territory to 3 First Nations known as the Peel Watershed. I did all proposal writing, partnership/stakeholder management and this program still runs to this day although I had to step-down due to my election as Chief of the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation. I also spoke at many international forums on behalf of this organization.

COUNCILOR, VUNTUT GWITCHIN GOVERNMENT; OLD CROW, YUKON TERRITORY — 2016-2018

I was the standing chair of the Natural Resources and Heritage committee’s as the political lead for these departments in the executive office of the Government of the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation . I coordinated technical information and was the political lead to achieve national and international goals of my First Nation. I attended and chaired international and national meetings such as the Arctic Council, Gwitchin Council International, Gwitch’in Steering Committee, and the Biennial Gwitch’in Gathering. I also spoke at many international forums on behalf of this organization.

CHIEF, VUNTUT GWITCHIN GOVERNMENT; OLD CROW, YUKON TERRITORY — 2019-PRESENT

I was elected Chief of my First Nation in November of 2018 and took office January of 2019. I am spokesperson of my First Nation as well as chairperson and hold the highest office of the executive office as well as being chairperson of the Finance and Administration committee’s, and political lead of the Vuntut Gwitchin Government. I oversee the direction of the government and ensure the executive, financial, operation, and general management.

Education

Banff Institute of Creativity, Banff, Calgary - Indigenous Governance 2017

Strategic and organizational development/thinking - direct mentorship under Murry Dion (top ten organizational strategists in North America) - 2017

Skills

I have skills in public oration speaking/chairing at events across North America and Europe on First Nation Self-Governance, Law, Culture, Youth, and motivational speaking. I fuse this with organizational and strategic thinking to galvanize groups to identify and achieve their goals. I enjoy bringing different opinions, mandates and people under a singular goal that banks on diversity, and rewards cooperation. I can support in technical capacities or lead on issues such as environmental, governance, indignity, youth leadership, or organizational function on international or national levels.

References

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