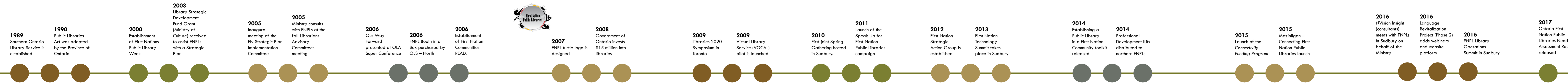


History of First Nation Public Libraries in Ontario

The organization of FNPLs is collaborative and involves many partners. This infographic includes milestones from the OLSs and other library advocacy organizations.



1989 Southern Ontario Library Service is established

1990 Public Libraries Act was adopted by the Province of Ontario

1998 Statistics Year (per capita) used to calculate the First Nation Public Library Operating Grant

2000 Establishment of First Nations Public Library Week

2002 Ministry of Culture conducts focus groups with First Nation public libraries

2003 Library Strategic Development Fund Grant (Ministry of Culture) received to assist FNPLs with a Strategic Plan

2004 Our Way Forward A Strategic Plan for Ontario First Nation Public Libraries released by the Ontario First Nation Public Library Liaison Committee

2005 Inaugural meeting of the FN Strategic Plan Implementation Committee

2005 Ministry consults with FNPLs at the fall Librarians Advisory Committees meeting

2005 OLS – North consolidates to one office in Sudbury

2005 Federation of Ontario Public Libraries (FOPL) completes first year of operation

2006 Our Way Forward presented at OLA Super Conference

2006 Reader's Advisory Training packages purchased for FNPLs

2006 FNPL Booth in a Box purchased by OLS – North

2006 Establishment of First Nation Communities READ.

2006 First FNPL joint conference (North & South)

2006 Establishment of Club Amick as part of the Aboriginal Literacy Initiative

2007 FNPL turtle logo is designed

2007 First Nations Public Library Week presented at OLA Super Conference

2007 First Nations Public Library Program pilot with Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Kendasii Gamik

2008 Government of Ontario invests \$15 million into libraries

2008 First Nation Leadership Summit

2008 Library Strategic Development Grant awarded to complete the Speak Up for First Nation Public Libraries campaign

2009 Libraries 2020 Symposium in Toronto

2009 EXCEL courses in a classroom setting – Basic Library Management and Basic Collection Development – presented to FNPLs over a one-week period

2009 Virtual Library Service (VOCAL) pilot is launched

2009 Sound Practices in Library Services to Aboriginal Peoples: Integrating Relationships, Resources and Realities by the Aboriginal Library Services Working Group & Mary Cavanagh

2010 First joint Spring Gathering hosted in Sudbury.

2010 First Nations Repositary Program pilot with Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Kendasii Gamik

2011 Launch of the Speak Up for First Nation Public Libraries campaign

2011 Assembly of First Nations adopts Resolution pertaining to FNPLs.

2012 First Nation Strategic Action Group is established

2013 Professional Development Kits distributed to northern FNPLs

2013 First Nation Technology Summit takes place in Sudbury

2014 Establishing a Public Library in a First Nation Community toolkit released

2014 Creating and Operating a Repository in a First Nation Public Library toolkit released

2014 Manifest (consultants) release First Nation Public Libraries Advocacy Strategy

2014 First Nations Public Library Week Program Review – Final Report released

2015 Launch of the *Connectivity Funding Program*

2015 Professional Development Kits distributed to northern FNPLs

2015 FNPLs receive one-time operational funding of \$2,000 from PLOG

2015 Language Revitalization Project established

2015 Ontario Library Association launches the Indigenous Task Group

2016 NVision Insight (consultants) meets with FNPLs in Sudbury on behalf of the Ministry

2016 National Aboriginal Library Association (formally National Aboriginal Public Libraries Association) develops 3 year business plan. Association stems from the National Reading Campaign.

2016 Language Revitalization Project (Phase 2) adds webinars and website platform

2016 Ontario Library Capacity Fund grant initiates the Library Value Toolkit pilot project. Nordik Institute is hired to consult. Wikwemikong First Nation Public Library is a pilot library representing FNPLs.

2016 FNPL Library Operations Summit in Sudbury

2016 Launch of the Northern First Nation Makerspace Rotating Collection

2017 Ontario First Nation Public Libraries Needs Assessment Report released

2019 Final issue of Club Amick released

2019 National Indigenous Knowledge and Language Alliance (NIKLA) is established.



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<p>1. Support the objectives of the National Aboriginal Public Libraries Organization (NAPLO) and encourage First Nation communities to use Our Way Forward and Speak Up to assist in creating and sustaining their own public libraries.</p> <p>2. Support the need to advocate for federal funding that is dedicated specifically for ongoing operations of First Nation public libraries.</p> <p>UPDATE: In April, 2012, a funding proposal from the National Aboriginal Public Library Organization (NAPLO) was submitted to AANDC requesting dedicated funding for First Nation libraries comparable to those available to other Canadians. In May, 2012 the National Chief wrote a letter of support reinforcing the need and support for funding for First Nation libraries. A link on www.afn.ca was also created to support the objectives of NAPLO.</p>			