



SIKSIKA NATION TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION

THE OFFICE OF OHKINNIINAA & NINAAKS

Government Relations and Lobbying Services

Provincial (Alberta) and Federal (Canada)

Request for Proposals (RFP)

Introduction

Siksika Nation invites qualified government relations and public affairs firms to submit proposals to provide strategic lobbying, advocacy, and government relations services with both the Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada.

The successful proponent will assist Siksika Nation in advancing its political, economic, legal, and strategic priorities while respecting Treaty rights, Indigenous jurisdiction, and Nation-to-Nation relationships.

Objectives

The successful firm will work collaboratively with Chief and Council and Administration to:

Advance Siksika Nation's strategic priorities with provincial and federal governments.
Identify funding, legislative, regulatory, and partnership opportunities.
Build and strengthen relationships with Ministers, Members of Parliament, Members of the Legislative Assembly, senior public servants, Crown agencies, and relevant stakeholders.
Support advocacy on legislation, policy, infrastructure, economic development, natural resources, public safety, health, education, housing, child welfare, and Treaty implementation.
Assist in positioning Siksika Nation as a strategic partner in regional and national initiatives.

Scope of Services

The successful proponent should provide services including, but not limited to:

Government Relations

- Strategic government relations planning
- Stakeholder mapping



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- Political intelligence
- Legislative monitoring
- Policy analysis
- Advocacy strategy development

Lobbying

Representation before:

- Government of Canada
- Government of Alberta
- Crown corporations
- Regulatory agencies
- Parliamentary Committees
- Standing Committees
- Ministries and departments

Strategic Advice

- Advice regarding political opportunities and risks
- Cabinet and legislative developments
- Budget analysis
- Election preparedness
- Crisis management support when required

Relationship Development

Assist with arranging and supporting meetings involving:

- Ministers
- Parliamentary Secretaries
- Members of Parliament
- Senators
- Members of the Legislative Assembly
- Deputy Ministers
- Assistant Deputy Ministers
- Senior officials





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Deliverables

The successful proponent will provide (but not limited to):

- Annual Government Relations Strategy
- Quarterly work plans
- Monthly activity reports
- Political intelligence updates
- Briefing notes
- Meeting coordination
- Attendance at meetings (virtual and in-person as required)
- Advocacy materials
- Recommendations regarding funding opportunities
- Performance reporting tied to agreed objectives

Qualifications

Preference will be given to firms demonstrating:

- Significant experience representing Indigenous governments.
- Knowledge of Treaty rights and Indigenous governance.
- Existing relationships within provincial and federal governments.
- Experience with infrastructure, natural resources, economic development, health, housing, justice, and Indigenous affairs.
- Strong understanding of lobbying legislation and ethics requirements.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.

Proposal Requirements

Proposals should include:

1. Firm overview
2. Team biographies
3. Relevant Indigenous experience
4. Examples of similar engagements
5. Proposed service model
6. Work plan
7. Fee structure



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8. References
9. Confirmation of registration under applicable lobbying legislation
10. Description of any actual or perceived conflicts of interest

Confidentiality

All information received during the engagement shall remain confidential and shall not be disclosed without the written authorization of Siksika Nation.

Submission Deadline

Interested firms are invited to submit proposals electronically by **August 14, 2026**.
Please send all materials to:

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Siksika Nation reserves the right to:

- Accept or reject any proposal.
- Cancel or amend this RFP at any time.
- Negotiate with one or more proponents.
- Award all or part of the work.
- Not necessarily accept the lowest-cost proposal.
- Request additional information or interviews.