

# THE STORY OF CCP

Comprehensive Community Planning across First Nations in BC



# History of Indigenous Planning

“Our oral traditions as expressed through stories reveal a rich planning tradition that encompassed all aspects of our societies.” - Chris Derickson

- Indigenous law is embedded in our Creation Stories and tell us how to live in harmony with all beings.
- First Nations have conducted planning practices distinct to their cultures and languages since time immemorial.
- We follow seasonal rounds and holistic approaches that honour our responsibility to care for one another and all of our relations.



Comprehensive  
Community  
Planning started  
with us.



# How CCP Started



## Community-Driven Initiative:

- CCP request came from communities over multiple years of ISC-organized Joint Forums
- First Nations wanted to do planning for themselves in their own way
- In 2003, ISC brought together a group of Band Administrators to discuss and map out a way forward

# How CCP Started



- 2004-2005 Pilot with 5 communities
- The journey of Okanagan, Lytton, Squiala, We Wai Kai (Cape Mudge) and Yekooche were a **success**
- ISC expanded funding for First Nations to engage in the CCP process including CCP workshops
- 2007 the first CCP Workshop was hosted in Vancouver

# CCP Workshops

## Workshop Purpose:

Bring community planners together and share best practices to support one another through the CCP journey.

- Starting in 2006 with three workshops to launch CCP province-wide
- 2023 marks the 20th BC CCP Workshop
- Every year the Workshop is hosted in a First Nation community (virtual 2020-2021)
- The workshop is comprised of community experts sharing their knowledge in various areas



# Understanding the Importance of CCP for Communities

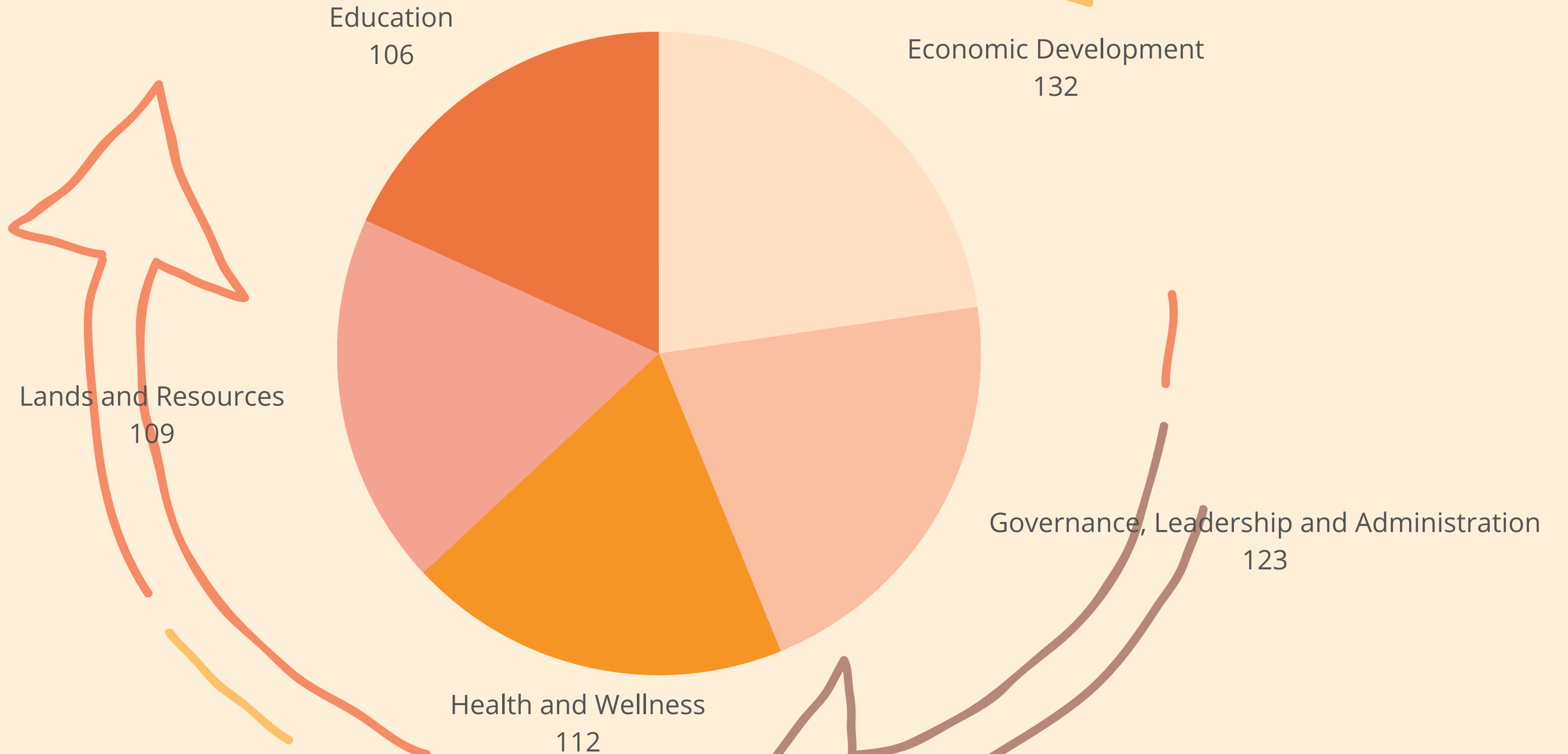
“Comprehensive Community Planning is a process that engages community members in planning and implementing the long-term vision for their community. It includes the development of goals, objectives, and actions to work towards fulfilling the vision.”

- Colette Anderson



CCP is **community-based, community-driven**, with meaningful membership involvement throughout. Together, the community will address key areas such as education, health, social development, culture, language, governance, economic development, title and rights, and etc., as **determined** by the community.

# Top Priorities in CCP's



**Note: Culture and Language is an overarching priority that is woven throughout the entire CCP.**



# CCP Mentorship Initiative

- Idea that was sparked by CCP Planners
- CCP Mentors live all over BC
- Started as 1:1 mentorship and has evolved to suit the needs of the communities
- Many of the OG Mentors are still mentors today and others have gone on to leadership or other roles



# CCP Successes



- Since 2005 over 135 First Nations have embarked on the CCP process
- CCP Mentorship Initiative has been in place for 12 years
- One of the most appreciated and positively viewed ISC initiatives of all time
- CCP has expanded across First Nations in Canada

# Beyond the Planning Cycle

## Measurable Successes:

- Youth Centres
- Economic Development (i.e., hotels, businesses, etc.)
- Increased funding

## Immeasurable Successes:

- Planning as a catalyst for community healing
- Capacity building for community members
- Community unity
- Hope for the future



**Questions?**