# TRAILS MANITOBA: RECONCILIATION IMPACT REPORT

RECREATIONAL TRAILS

### **PATHWAYS FOR HEALING & REDISCOVERY**

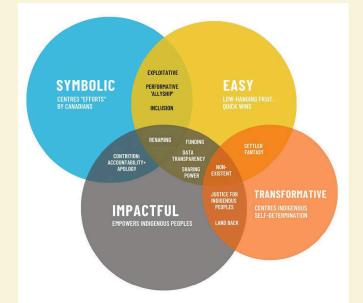
'Trails serve as pathways for healing and rediscovery, empowering Indigenous communities to decolonize and rediscover their relationships through collective experiences. In our journey towards reconciliation, let us embrace trails as bridges connecting us to the truths and responsibilities essential for building meaningful relationships with Indigenous neighbors.' Adrian Alphonso (Trails MB)



### Types of Reconciliation:

#### ORIGINS OF 'RECONCILIATION' TYPES:

- Reconciliation means different things to different people.
- Represent Intersecting & Diverging Trends in interpretation.
- Reflection of limitations and possibilities of reconciliation in Canada.
- ref. www.yellowheadinstitude.org.trc

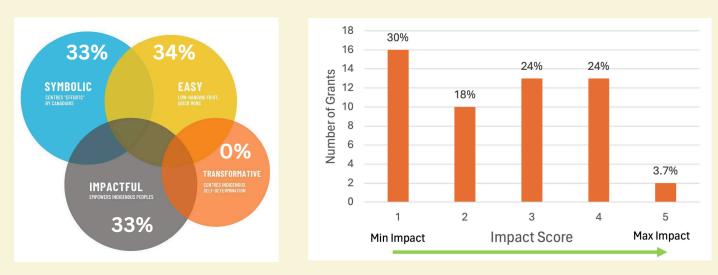


## **EVALUATING 2024 TRAILS MB GRANT APPLICATIONS**

In 2024, 54 applications were received and evaluated through our Grant Program Intake. Learn more at <u>www.trailsmanitoba.ca/grants/</u>

Two evaluation processes were used specifically for this report:

- 1. Identify type of reconciliation for each project
- 2. Provide an overall reconciliation impact score between 1-5 (1=lowest impact / 5=greatest impact)



## **MOVING FORWARD - HOW TO HAVE A GREATER IMPACT?**

#### **BE CURIOUS - ASK QUESTIONS**

What is the original name of the trail location? What is the original language spoken here? Who are the neighbours in the area? Who speaks the language?

#### PROJECT OUTCOMES: AIM FOR EASY & IMPACTFUL (TYPES)

Language - identify your Indigenous neighbours; thoughtful land acknowledgement. Relationship - be transformative NOT transactional; seek project involvement. Reconciliation - which calls to action can be furthered?

### "Without a shared understanding of reconciliation, it is difficult to measure progress." (www.yellowheadinstitue.org/trc)

For more information: www.trailsmanitoba.ca

#### **Rubric Description:**

For this report, two evaluation processes were employed to assess reconciliation efforts. First, we identified the type of reconciliation associated with each project, acknowledging the diverse ways reconciliation can be realized through trail initiatives. Second, we provided an overall reconciliation impact score for each project, ranging from 1 to 5, with 1 indicating the lowest impact and 5 representing the greatest impact. It's important to note that the scoring was subjective and not intended to single out individual projects, but rather to highlight broader trends to create a clear path forward. Recreational trails play a significant role towards healing and advancing truth and reconciliation efforts, and Trails Manitoba aims to use this platform to illuminate how this vital work can be advanced.