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## Oral Question 289-20(1) Extending Government of Northwest Territories Employee Training to Non-Governmental Organizations Staff

This letter is in follow-up to the Oral Question you raised on June 12, 2024, regarding supportive training that the GNWT can provide to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) staff.

The Integrated Services team in Yellowknife (ISD-YK) as well as Housing Northwest Territories (HNWT) include NGOs in in-person training that is specific to supporting vulnerable populations. Much of this training is offered through the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, but inclusion in training from other groups is also offered. This is an action in the homelessness strategy.

Executive and Indigenous Affairs is also currently in the process of establishing a new Governance and Service Integration Unit which will work with departments to tackle recommendations from the Strengthening the Non-Profit and Charitable Sector report from 2023.

The department is also improving its relationship with NGOs by hosting meetings related to Emergency and Business Continuity Planning and hosting a roundtable with NGOs working with vulnerable populations.

Thank you.

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