

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Status of Women Office	
Title of Travel	36th Annual Federal-Provincial-Territorial Meeting of Ministers Responsible for the Status of Women	
Location	Whitehorse, YT	
Date(s)	October 17 - 19, 2018	
Participants	Honourable Tina Beaudry-Mellor, Minister Responsible for the Status of Women Tessa Ritter, Chief of Staff to the Minister Responsible for the Status of Women Mari Petroski, Executive Director, Status of Women Office	
Purpose of Travel	To participate in the annual inter-jurisdictional meeting between ministers to discuss and collaborate on common priority issues.	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees)		\$2,309.66
Ground Travel (including taxis and parking)		\$56.15
Accommodation (including room charges, incidentals, related taxes and fees)		\$1,071.97
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$281.00
Miscellaneous (including temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, and other sundry expenditures)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$3,718.78
General Travel Expenditures		
Business Hosting Expenses (luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$0.00
TOTAL		\$3,718.78

Overview of Travel and Objectives

The 36th Annual Federal-Provincial-Territorial Meeting of Ministers Responsible for the Status of Women was held in Whitehorse, Yukon on October 18-19, 2018. The agenda focused mainly on gender wage gap and women's economic empowerment, women in the economy, gender equality indicators, and interpersonal violence and abuse, including human trafficking.

Ministers responsible for the Status of Women discussed priority issues on the above listed topics, including women's Gender Based Analysis Plus, gender-based violence and potential supports for victims, and other emerging issues. They shared information on initiatives and programs the government has implemented to help support policy change and drive gender equality within their jurisdictions.

The main objective for Minister Beaudry-Mellor to attend was to discuss priority issues affecting gender equality in each jurisdiction and to share best practices aimed at fostering inclusiveness.

Travel Activity:

During the meetings, the delegation from Saskatchewan engaged in a number of sessions and activities. These activities and outcomes are detailed below.

1. Engaged in discussions surrounding a presentation provided by the Task Team on Gender Wage Gap and Economic Empowerment on how to measure the gender wage gap and how different models of parental leave impact the gender wage gap.
2. Engaged in a roundtable discussion regarding Women in the Economy.
3. Participated on the task team for Gender-Based Analysis where the discussion was focused on the GCcollab portal approach for the sharing of GBA+ case studies, tools, training and best practices.
4. Engaged in discussions surrounding a presentation on the benefits and opportunities of a Common Gender Equality Indicators Framework.
5. Participated in discussions surrounding the Employment Insurance for Victims of Domestic Violence Task Team presentation on options for how to best support women with labour force attachment who are victims of domestic violence.
6. Received an update on Canada's Strategy to Prevent and Address Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and P/T Strategies and participated in the discussion as a member of the Task Team on the Complementarity of FPT Strategies to Prevent and Address GBV.
7. Other outcomes of the travel included:
 - Agreement to collaborate on awareness campaigns throughout the year, based on a scan to be shared by the Government of Canada on all awareness activities/measures it undertakes throughout the year, with a particular initial focus on March 8 and October 11; and
 - Agreement to explore options for accessibility of future meetings through WebEx etc.