



Quick Facts about the 2017 North American Indigenous Games (2017 NAIG)

- Indigenous Sport and Wellness Ontario (ISWO) in collaboration with the City of Toronto and Government of Ontario, won the bid to host the 2017 NAIG. Net proceeds from the Toronto 2017 NAIG were directed to a Legacy Fund, aimed at increasing sport, health and wellness programming, services and equipment to Indigenous youth, across the province of Ontario.
- From July 16-23, 2017, the Toronto 2017 NAIG hosted more than 5,000 participants, and countless spectators for 14 sport competitions held within world-class venues located across the Greater Toronto Area, including the Region of Hamilton and Six Nations of the Grand River.
- Equally important, Toronto 2017 NAIG hosted two successful week-long cultural festivals open to the public, showcasing a variety of Indigenous artists, traditional learning, vendors, food, cultural performances and nightly entertainment.
- Participating teams represented all 13 provinces and territories of Canada, as well as 13 regions from the United States.
- Close to 1,200 volunteers helped to make the event a great success.
- The Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario, each committed \$3.5 million dollars to help fund the 2017 Games, in recognition of the NAIG as an important agent in promoting Indigenous sport development and recreation in Canada.
- About 'Team 88':
 - The [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's](#) Call to Action #88 calls on all levels of government to take action to ensure long-term Indigenous athlete development and growth through continued support of the North American Indigenous Games. In order to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation, the TRC *Calls to Actions* call on all Canadians to take part in recognizing the past while building a brighter future for our future generations. *To read all 94 of the TRC Calls to Action, [click here.](#)*
 - The Toronto 2017 NAIG developed #Team88 as a way to promote the positive impacts of sport and wellness within Indigenous communities and to bring a focus to all TRC recommendations, by recognizing sport as an important pathway to reconciliation. Support reconciliation initiatives across Canada. **We are all #Team88.**