A HISTORIC TIMELINE



NOTABLE
EVENTS
SUPPORTING
WOMEN
ACROSS
CANADA

RELATED

WORK OF

FEDERAL-

PROVINCIAL-

TERRITORIAL

FORUM OF

MINISTERS

FOR THE

WOMEN

STATUS OF

RESPONSIBLE

1982

Women's rights are enshrined in Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms

1986

Canada passes the Employment Equity Act

1991

National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women is established

1995

UN held its 4th World Conference on Women, adopting the Beijing Platform for Action – the start of gender-based analysis internationally

2002

Canada ratifies the
UN Optional Protocol
to the Convention on
the Elimination of All
Forms of Discrimination
against Women



2012

National Action Plan to Combat Human Trafficking is launched

2016

Launch of the
Murdered and
Missing Indigenous
Women and
Girls Inquiry

2000s

1980s

1985
FPT Ministers present
A Framework for Economic
Equality for Women to the
First Ministers: (a follow up to
the Equality in Employment:
A Royal Commission Report
of 1984.)

1982

First meeting of the Federal-Provincial-Territorial Forum of Ministers responsible for the Status of Women in Ottawa



1995

19905

Ministers support a gender-based analysis (GBA) approach to policy development

1991

Ministers release Building Blocks: Framework for a National Strategy on Violence against Women at 10th annual meeting

2002

Ministers publish Assessing Violence Against Women: A Statistical Profile

2001

Ministers publish Women's
Economic Independence
and Security: A Federal /
Provincial / Territorial
Strategic Framework



2011

The Forum generates concrete measures to address human trafficking to be implemented by each government, considering their jurisdictions and needs

2017

2010s

The National
Indigenous Leaders
and Representatives
invited to their first
annual meeting with
the FPT Ministers
responsible for the
Status of Women

2015

The Forum
sponsors
Sexual Violence
Knowledge
Exchange event
in Winnipeg

2023 and beyond...

2020s

FPT Ministers will continue their collaborative efforts in advancing the status of women in Canada and a more inclusive future for all

2022

Historic 40th anniversary of the FPT Forum and Endorsement of National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence

2021

Ministers endorse the Joint Declaration for a Canada free of Gender-Based Violence