## Virtual Tourism Town Hall

Alberta | May 26, 2021







#### **About Destination Canada**

#### Our objectives:

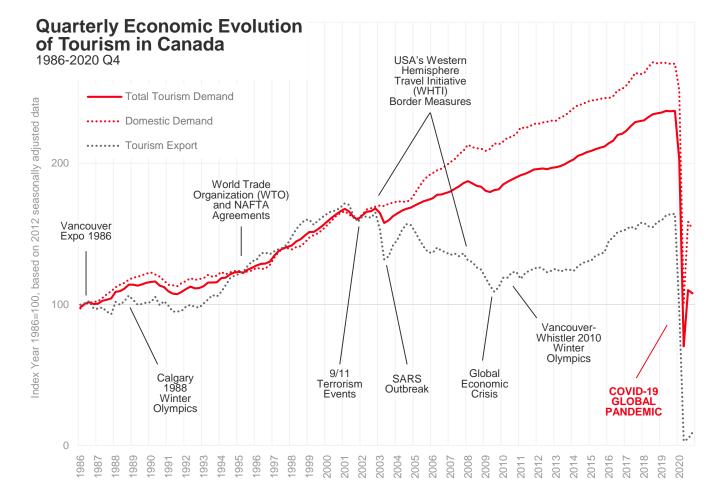
- Support a vibrant Canadian tourism industry
- Market Canada as a travel destination
- Support cooperation between the private sector and Canadian governments at all levels
- Provide commercially relevant data to the private sector and government

We are not a funding agency.





2020 losses to Canada's tourism sector are the worst on record







#### \$60M supporting cities and regions

**\$30 Million**DC invested \$30 Million



**\$30 Million**matched by Provinces / Territories































#### +\$18M in other National initiatives



Major media partnerships



Industry research (200+ reports to date)



Business Events strategy



Indigenous
Tourism
Association of
Canada
partnership



Media relations



Rendez-vous Canada+ financial support



# Government support for the tourism sector is broad-reaching

- \$1 Billion Tourism Specific Support in 2021 Federal Budget
- Highly Affected Sectors Credit Availability Program (HASCAP)
- Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS)
- 25% of Regional Relief and Recovery Fund Earmarked for Tourism (\$500M)
- Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA)
- The Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy (CERS)
- Business Credit Availability Program (BCAP)
- Department of Canadian Heritage and Canada Council for the Arts (\$185M)
- Large Employer Emergency Financing Facility (LEEFF)
- Extending the Work-Sharing Program



#### Signs of hope and concern





Canadians are searching for travel



Vaccine rollout is underway



Global increase in activity and confidence for Business Events





Confidence in travel remains low



# Reviving market revenue will begin domestically

By keeping their tourism dollars in Canada, Canadians can play a critical role in:

Bolstering business

Creating jobs

Supporting community



#### Messaging evolution as restrictions ease

2021 2022

#### PHASE 1 — Influence

Tourism contribution to Canadians' quality of life. Ask Canadians to travel in Canada once restrictions ease.

#### **PHASE 2** — Inspire and Build Confidence

Where will you go first? Ready when you are (industry investments in hygiene).

**PHASE 3** — Conversion – Early Adopters

Book now.

Full travel restrictions

**PHASE 4** — Conversion and P2P Advocacy

Explore now. Share your travel experiences.

Easing of intraprovincial travel restrictions

Easing of interprovincial travel restrictions

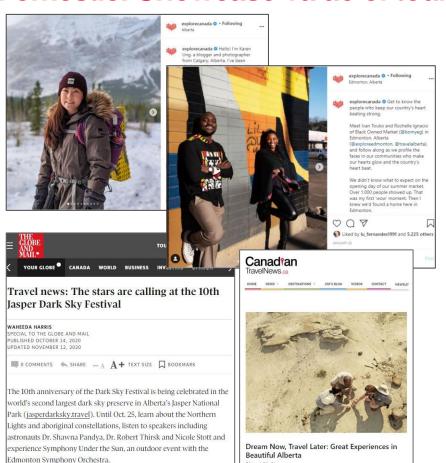
Easing of travel restrictions to/from Canada

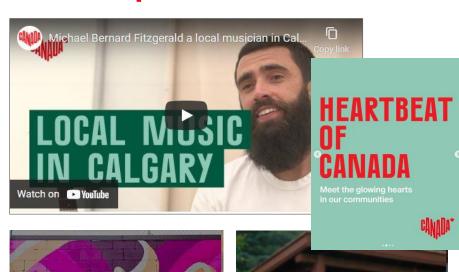
**PHASE 5** — Conversion – Late Adopters

Now is the best time to see Canada.



#### Domestic: Showcase value of tourism & inspire future travel



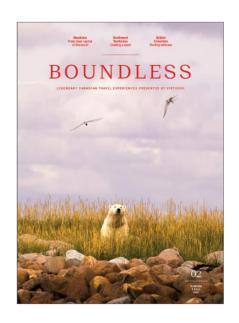








#### International: Keeping Canada top of mind







#### A new North Star

- Aspire to enhance quality of life of Canadians and enrich the lives of visitors
- Together, we enable Canadian culture to thrive and place-based regenerative economies to emerge





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