

Before and after Treaty

Life under the <i>Indian Act</i>	Life under Treaty
<p>Dependent on Government DIA controls everything in our lives "from birth to death"</p>	<p>Independent Maa-nulth First Nation Governments are independent of government, control our own lives</p>
<p>Governed entirely by the <i>Indian Act</i> <i>Indian Act</i> defines Band Council and their powers Band Council has delegated authorities; report to Minister of Indian Affairs</p>	<p>Governed by First Nation Constitution First Nations' systems of government (under Constitutions), can include elected and hereditary Maa-nulth Governments makes laws Governments are accountable to the people</p>
<p>Health Canada and DIA Services Continued reduction in benefits (e.g. medical, dental, education, child care, etc.)</p>	<p>Maa-nulth First Nations Services Same level of existing services <u>plus</u> ability to expand services to meet needs of members</p>
<p>Government imposed solutions Government imposes solutions upon us that have little to do with who we are</p>	<p>First Nation community driven solutions Maa-nulth governments develop our own solutions based on our culture and values</p>

