

HANDOUT 3.1: GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

The table below lists federal, provincial and local government areas of responsibility. Some responsibilities (e.g., transportation, health care and environment) are shared between the different levels of government.

Federal Government Responsibilities	Provincial Government Responsibilities	Local Government Responsibilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currency • Employment and Social Development • Environment and Climate Change • Federal Law and Courts • Fisheries and Oceans • Global Affairs • Health • Heritage • Immigration and Citizenship • Indigenous and Northern Affairs • Industry • Infrastructure • International Trade • National Defence • Natural Resources • Official Languages • Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness • Regional Development and Diversification • Transportation • Veterans Affairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation • Advanced Education • Agriculture • Children and Family Development • Community, Sport and Cultural Development • Education • Energy and Mines • Environment • Finance • Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations • Government Services • Health • International Trade • Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training • Justice • Natural Gas Development • Social Development and Social Innovation • Technology, Innovation and Citizens' Services • Transportation and Infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal Control • Business Licensing • Building Permits and Inspections • Community and Social Services • Cultural Services/Programs • Drainage • Economic Development • Fire Protection • Flood Control • Heritage Preservation • Land Use Planning and Zoning • Libraries • Local Utilities • Municipal Parking Lots and Structures • Parks and Recreation • Policing • Public Health and Inspections • Public Housing • Solid Waste Management • Transportation Systems • Water and Sewer