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NWT Association of Communities

Connecting Community Governments Since 1966

SUPPORTING NWT COMMUNITIES **WHAT YOUR FEES BUY YOU**



ADVOCACY: THE FOUNDATION OF OUR WORK

The NWT Association of Communities (NWTAC) is the collective voice of community governments in the Northwest Territories. Advocacy is at the core of everything we do.

We work year-round to champion the needs of communities by meeting with elected officials and government representatives at all levels. Our advocacy is guided by resolutions passed at each Annual General Meeting, ensuring that NWT communities have a strong voice in shaping policy, legislation, and funding decisions.

Through persistent advocacy, NWTAC has helped secure:

- Increased funding for community services and infrastructure
- Stronger local governance and decision-making support
- Policy improvements in areas like housing, healthcare, and climate action

We work directly with the GNWT, the federal government, and key decision-makers to ensure that community needs are heard—and acted upon. We sit on and advise on various Territorial and Federal Committees.

See our advocacy in action:

<https://nwtac.com/resolutions>

ADVOCATING FOR FAIR COMMUNITY FUNDING

Ensuring community governments receive adequate, stable, and fair funding is a major part of our advocacy efforts. NWTAC:

- Works to secure increased funding from the GNWT for essential community services.
- Engages with government to improve funding formulas that reflect real community needs.
- Provides data-driven advocacy to show how funding impacts local economies and services.

NWTAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS -
WORKING FOR YOU



KEY SERVICES FOR NWT COMMUNITIES

ELECTION SUPPORT & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Customized Posters: Promoting voter turnout and candidate recruitment.
- Candidate & Voter Guides: Outlining the roles and responsibilities of elected officials.
- Voter ID Requirement Information: Ensuring residents are prepared to vote.
- "So you Want to be a Councillor" video.
- Advertisements for candidates and get out the vote.

RESOURCES & TOOLKITS FOR COMMUNITY GOVERNMENTS

We provide essential toolkits to help communities operate effectively.

Find all resources at: <https://toolkitnwtac.com>

- Governance & Administration: By-Laws, Election Resources, SAO Hiring, and Policies and Strategic Planning.
- Community Health & Well-being: Healthy Communities Toolkit, Social Determinants of Health, Built Environment Guide and Mental Health Initiatives.
- Climate & Environment: Climate Change Action Plans, Energy Efficiency, Community Climate Change Profiles, Programs, and Wildfire Preparedness.
- Asset & Risk Management: Smart Management Practices, Asset Management Guides, Inspection videos and checklists and Emergency Planning Resources.

MUNICIPAL GRANT INVENTORY SERVICE (MGIS)

Members have access to the Municipal Grant Inventory Service, providing comprehensive information on all available funding opportunities for northern communities. This resource helps maximize financial support and access new funding sources.

CANOE PURCHASING PROGRAM - SAVING COMMUNITIES MONEY

Through Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA), communities have access to CANOE – the largest purchasing program in the country including:

- Tires, Auto Parts & Fuel Tanks
- Construction & Office Supplies
- Safety Equipment & Workwear
- Heavy Equipment & Maintenance Tools

Learn more at <https://nwtac.com/nwtac-purchasing-program>

COMMUNAL CLIMATE CHANGE PROGRAMS

- Support for Energy Projects and communal networks through the Community Energy Liaison
- Climate Change Preparedness in the North Program Administration
- Communal Partnership Projects:
 - » Foundation Reviews for 10 most vulnerable communities to Permafrost Decay
 - » \$20 M to construct Wildfire Breaks in 29 communities
 - » Wildfire Conference and Workshop
 - » Riverbank Erosion Partnership Table and Workshop
 - » Hazard Mapping Gap Analysis



NORTHERN COMMUNITIES INSURANCE PROGRAM (NCIP)

NCIP is a community-owned reciprocal insurance program designed specifically for NWT municipalities. Since 2003, it has saved communities over \$25 million, while keeping insurance rates frozen at 2001 levels.

PROACTIVE RISK MANAGEMENT & PREVENTION

- Loss Prevention Incentive Program – Over \$5.5 million provided since 2010.
- Building Inspection Program – Financial incentives for regular inspections.
- Heater Inspection Program – \$15,000 annually for heating system inspections.
- Bylaw Improvement Program – One-time \$5,000 grant for updating procurement and water/sewer bylaws.
- Appraisal Program – Annual property assessments for long-term maintenance and budgeting. Forms core of asset management planning.

COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE

- Property, Vehicle, and Equipment Insurance
- Public Liability & Errors and Omissions Coverage
- Wrongful Dismissal Liability Protection
- Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance

ADVISORY & MEMBER SUPPORT SERVICES

Member Communities have access to legal advice through the NWTAC partnership with Brownlee LLP. Contact Brownlee Toll Free at: **1-800-661-9069**

- Informal verbal advice by phone on the Municipal Helpline
- 3 hours of prepaid formal legal advice/opinion per year



WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY!

Contact Us Today!

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