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NWTAC -NEWS AND COVID UPDATES

NWTAC VIRTUAL AGM 2021



The 55th Virtual Annual General Meeting of the NWT Association of Communities (NWTAC) will be online in late February 2021.

The NWTAC will share additional details of the upcoming virtual AGM in the weeks to come. Below is some initial information related to AGM registration and agenda. Keep up to date with our website

[More information about NWTAC's Virtual AGM 2021](#)

[Click here to visit our website](#)

CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS



FIRST CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS - 2021 VIRTUAL NWTAC AGM, LATE FEBRUARY

Click below for a copy of the Form and Guidelines for Annual General Meeting Resolutions ahead of the 2021 virtual meeting.

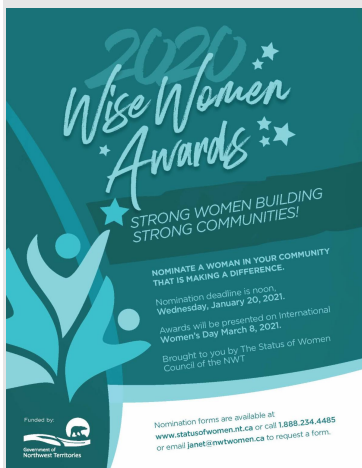
The guidelines detail, step-by-step, how to construct a resolution for any issues that you feel require action by other levels of government. PLEASE make sure when you are constructing your resolution that your wording is universal in nature - do not reference your community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact yvonne@nwtac.com.

Deadline for inclusion in the 2021 Annual General Meeting Booklet is Friday, January 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

[Form and Guidelines for Annual General Meeting Resolutions](#)

AWARDS



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

The Status of Women Council of the NWT is seeking nominations of Wise Women for their annual awards

Deadline for nominations is noon, Wednesday, January 20, 2021.

[Click here for a Nomination Form](#)

Call 1.888.234.4485 or email [Janet](#) to request a form.

CRTC SURVEY



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**CRTC LAUNCHES PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON
NORTHWESTEL'S SERVICES**

The CRTC is inviting Canadians living in the North to provide feedback on telecommunications services in the North, and particularly those offered by Northwestel.

The CRTC is seeking to better understand the state of telephone, wireless and Internet services in the areas served by Northwestel. This will help determine whether more needs to be done to ensure Canadians living there have access to high-quality services at reasonable rates.

Among other things, the CRTC is seeking comments on:

- the affordability of telecommunications services for residents and businesses in the North
- the quality of telecommunications services, including Internet speeds, mobile coverage and service reliability, and
- how the CRTC may foster competition in the North.

Canadians are encouraged to share their opinions by January 20, 2021 using one of the following methods:

- filling out the online form
- writing to the Secretary General, CRTC, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2, or
- sending a fax to 819-994-0218.

All comments submitted will form part of the public record and will inform the CRTC's decision.

[Share your views with CRTC here](#)

CORONAVIRUS TOOLKIT

Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Resources

The NWTAC has created a new toolkit filled with resources to help our communities deal with the Coronavirus.

Go to the link below to get updated information from the Federal and Territorial governments as well as educational resources to keep your community healthy.

[Link to Coronavirus Toolkit](#)



ELECTIONS

WANT TO RUN FOR COUNCIL?

Elections are coming up **December 14, 2020** in Aklavik, Enterprise, Fort Liard, Fort McPherson, Fort Resolution, Tuktoyaktuk, Ulukhaktok, Paulatuk,



Sachs Harbour, Fort Liard and Tulita.

Get information and forms at your hamlet office

Declare your candidacy November 2 to November 16, 2020

[Visit MACA for Election Resources](#) or [NWT Election Toolkit](#)

FEATURED NWTAC VIDEO



DO YOU WANT TO BE A COUNCILLOR?

Take a look at this video for people who are considering running for municipal office (such as a town or hamlet councillor) in Canada's Northwest Territories.

[Watch "So you want to be a Councillor" Video here](#)

COVID-19

COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT ENGAGEMENT ON COVID-19 RESPONSE

Since mid-March MACA has worked with community governments to identify and monitor impacts to communities, share information about the government's response to the pandemic, update community emergency plans and ensure continuity of local emergency and essential services.

Community governments have also needed to adapt. Practical challenges have been met with creative solutions such as holding council meetings remotely and making changes to by-laws to do so.

[Read the Minister's full Statement here](#)

FUNDING PROGRAM



Environment and Natural Resources

TWO NEW ON THE LAND FUNDING PROGRAMS

ENR is offering additional support for harvesters and families going out

on the land this winter.

We are now taking applications for two new funding programs for 2020-2021:

- The Take a Family on the Land Program supports families to engage in outdoor learning experiences that encompass northern perspectives, values and practices.
- The COVID Regional Training, Mentorship and Support Program provides funding to support community-led opportunities for harvesting mentorship, on-the-land training and skills development, and supply of country foods into communities.

Visit www.enr.gov.nt.ca for details on how to apply, or email us at ontheland@gov.nt.ca.

The deadline to apply is November 20

[For more information on the two programs click here](#)

WEBINAR SERIES



REFERENCE CHECKS - MACA WEBINAR

Join us for an informative webinar on reference checks. Whether you are hiring someone new or just giving a reference check for a former employee, this presentation and discussion will be useful for you. Steve Connors, of Brownlee Law and legal counsel for NWTAC, will be giving SAOs and mayors and chiefs best practice around reference checks, including what to say when asked to give a reference for a former employee whose work performance was poor. Find out the best questions to ask to discover the true nature of that candidate that looks so good on paper.

Thursday, November 12, 10:00 am

If you or a staff member wish to participate in the webinar, please email MACA_SCG@gov.nt.ca or contact Scott Lough at 867 767 9163 x21062

[See the Full Schedule of Webinars here](#)

COMMUNITY FUNDING



**NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE STILL
NEED TREES**

Tree Canada supports greening projects wherever people live, work or play. Treemendous Communities funding is available to Canadian municipalities,

Indigenous communities, business improvement associations, non-profit and community groups.

Up to \$10,000 in funding is available per project.

Since 1992, Tree Canada and its sponsors have greened more than 500 municipalities, Indigenous communities and business improvement areas.

Tree Canada's Treemendous Communities program is now
accepting applications until November 30, 2020.

[Click here for more details](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY



RAPID HOUSING INITIATIVE

In order to address urgent housing needs and create rapid affordable housing, we are excited to announce that we have launched the [Rapid Housing Initiative \(RHI\)](#).

Available to municipalities, provinces and territories, Indigenous governing bodies and organizations, and non-profit organizations, \$1 billion in funding will be available under two streams (Major Cities Stream and the Projects Stream) to support the creation of up to 3,000 new affordable housing units.

To cover the costs of construction of modular housing, the acquisition of land, and the conversion/rehabilitation of existing buildings to affordable housing, RHI will issue funding directly to selected municipalities under the Major Cities Stream. All other eligible organizations will have the opportunity to apply for funding under the Projects Stream.

RHI has announced identified municipalities from the Major Cities Stream, and applications under the Projects Stream are now open until December 31st, 2020. All information will be available on the [Rapid Housing Initiative website](#). As applications are now open, we encourage you to share this message with anyone you know who may be interested in supporting the development of rapid affordable housing.

Want to learn more? [Get in touch with a Housing Solutions Specialist](#) who can connect you with industry partners and help develop solutions for your Multi-Unit housing projects.

The Rapid Housing Initiative Team

TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING



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**NATIONAL TRADE
CORRIDORS FUND (NTCF)**

Arctic and Northern call for proposals applicant's guide

The National Trade Corridors Fund helps fund transportation infrastructure projects in Canada.

The Arctic and Northern call for proposals represents the next phase of the National Trade Corridors Fund program. This call targets infrastructure projects that address the unique transportation priorities and needs of Canada's Arctic and northern communities.

This guide explains the objectives and criteria of this call for proposals, how to apply, and what information we will need from you in your submissions.

[Click here for more information](#)

RESEARCH AND PLANNING FUND



APPLY NOW TO THE RESEARCH AND PLANNING FUND!

The Research and Planning Fund is now accepting applications for 2020. The objectives are to:

- build collaboration, engagement and alignment with stakeholders working to achieve common goals
- support the housing community's research capacity development

This year, we will be funding projects on populations that have been under-represented in the previous calls for proposals.

For this two-stage process, the deadline to submit applications for Stage One is November 27, 2020 and March 15, 2021 for Stage Two.

A webinar on the competition will be held on November 4th at 1:00 p.m. (French) and 2:30 p.m. (English).

[Find out more about the application process here](#)

ASSET MANAGEMENT

CYBER CRIME

Social Engineering Fraud & Data Breaches

Criminals use various forms of communication such as email, the Internet, telephone, and even face-to-face interaction to infiltrate companies. The main objective for these criminals is financial gain.

An example of how easily it can happen.

Pointe Claire-based Future Electronics has accounts payable staff in Singapore. They were duped into making electronic funds transfers to bank accounts controlled by criminals who impersonated the chief financial officer of a legitimate supplier. Those payments were made towards legitimate invoices received from the supplier. So while the invoices were sent by actual employees of the supplier, the instructions to change the supplier's banking information were not. So the criminals fooled the insured's accounts payable staff into transferring the money to the criminals' bank account and not the supplier's actual bank account.

[Read the case review here](#)

[Learn more with NCIP's Cyber Crime Brochure](#)

More from the NWTAC.....

**Supportive
Member
of the Month**



[NWTAC Tool-Kits](#)

**Community Election
Schedule**

Check out our Website!



