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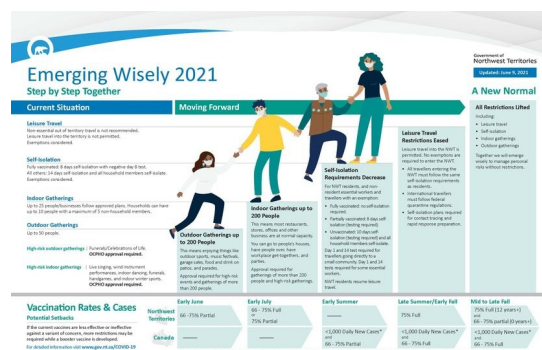
SELF ISOLATION UPDATE

GNWT EASES SELF-ISOLATION REQUIREMENTS IN THE NWT

The Chief Public Health Officer (CPHO) is changing [self-isolation](#) requirements for all Northwest Territories' residents, starting today, June 21, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

NWT residents, non-resident essential service workers and other travellers with exemptions who are fully vaccinated will no longer need to self-isolate upon entry to the NWT. Everyone is still required to submit a [Self-isolation Plan](#) for potential contact tracing purposes.

The CPHO's recommendation to travel only for essential reasons has also been rescinded. Residents are advised to be familiar with the public health orders in the jurisdiction they are visiting and to be aware of locations where COVID infections are increasing, especially those who are unvaccinated or partially vaccinated.



People who are partially [vaccinated](#) are still required to self-isolate for a minimum of 8 days with a day 8 negative test. People who are unvaccinated, including children under 12, are required to self-isolate for a minimum of 10 days with a day 10 negative test. Children under 2 will not be required to get a test on day 10 but only isolate until then.

A day 1 test and a day 14 test are required for people travelling from outside of the NWT to a small community and for some essential workers. For mixed households who are travelling together, it is only the least vaccinated traveller(s) who will be required to get a test.

If you have received your vaccine in the NWT, you will not require proof of vaccination. If NWT residents have travelled outside Canada, all federal requirements must be met before returning to the NWT.

These reduced self-isolation requirements also apply to non-residents that have been granted permission to travel into the NWT through an exemption process. Examples include to work, study, reunite with family, or for compassionate reasons.

For those who have not received their vaccine within the NWT, proof of vaccination status will need to be provided upon request. It is recommended these travellers have this available before applying to travel to the NWT, along with their Self-Isolation Plan.

Household members must follow the same self-isolation guidance as the traveller, regardless of their vaccination status. If vaccination status differs for multiple travellers, the rest of the household must isolate for the longest period. This requirement is based on evidence indicating that extended and prolonged close contact with someone with COVID-19, such as in a household environment, increases transmission. No testing is required for household members unless symptomatic.

This change to self-isolation requirements is a key step in [Emerging Wisely 2021: Step by Step Together](#) released earlier this month. With the relaxation of these requirements, we can ease the burden of self-isolation for travellers and their households while still keeping the territory safe.

FIRESMART

WHEN IT COMES TO PREPARING FOR THE THREAT OF WILDFIRE, WE ALL HAVE A PART TO PLAY

Wildfires are a natural part of Northwest Territories' wildland ecosystems. Without wildfire, the landscape loses its diversity. Wildfires recycle nutrients, help plants reproduce and create a mosaic of vegetation that provides habitat for a variety of wildlife.

By choosing to extend our lifestyles and



communities further into forested areas, we become more exposed to the danger of wildfire. Living where wildfires can occur puts your home or cabin at risk; however, it is possible to live safely with this natural event.

How FireSmart® can help

FireSmart recommendations reduce the risk of wildfire to your property, community and neighbourhood, and help firefighters to defend your home.

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) provides FireSmart information and workshops to help communities, industry and homeowners reduce the threat of wildfire.

[Watch "ENR Fire Prevention Doing Your Part" video here](#)

[Download a copy of the Homeowners Manual here](#)

AWARD NOMINATIONS

NWT MINISTERIAL LITERACY AWARDS

The Department of Education, Culture and Employment (ECE), the Premiers of Canada Council of the Federation, and the NWT

Literacy Council are pleased to be accepting nominations for the annual NWT Ministerial Literacy Awards. These awards provide an opportunity to honour the literacy achievements of youth and adult learners, exceptional educators, and organizations and businesses across the territory.

Up to nine literacy awards may be given each year, including eight Ministerial Literacy Awards and the Premiers of Canada Council of the Federation of Literacy Award for the NWT.



Ministerial Literacy Awards include:

- Youth Learner Literacy Award
- Adult Learner Literacy Award
- Youth Indigenous Language Champion Award
- Outstanding NWT Educator Award
- Outstanding Support for Literacy Development NWT Business Award
- Second Language Learner Award
- Supporting Literacy Through Technology Award
- Outstanding Non-Profit Support for Literacy/Language Development

Nomination forms are available on [ECE's website](#), or contact Deana Twissell to assist at deana_twissell@gov.nt.ca or 867 767-9309 ext 71375.

Deadlines for 2021:

- July 15, 2021 - Premiers of Canada Council of the Federation of Literacy Award nominations due
- August 20, 2021 – Ministerial Literacy Awards nominations due

This year the awards will be presented virtually.

INCOME ASSISTANCE ACCESS FOR RESIDENTS IN FLOOD ZONES



DEHCHO REGION RESIDENTS

If you are affected by flooding and are currently receiving Income Assistance or are experiencing financial difficulties you can contact an ECE Client Services Officer:

Residents of Fort Providence, Fort Simpson or Jean Marie River: Call the Fort Providence CSO: 867-699-4431

Residents of Fort Liard, Nahanni Butte, Sambaa k'e and Wrigley: Call the Fort Liard CSO: 867-770-4104 - extension 121

TRANSITIONAL RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM (TRSP)

WHAT IS THE TRANSITIONAL RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM (TRSP)?



Through the Transitional Rent Supplement Program (TRSP), the NWT Housing Corporation is reaching out to you if your family is living in market housing, you are struggling to pay your bills, and you are spending more than 30% of your total household income on your shelter costs.

The TRSP can provide a rent subsidy of up to \$500 per month for a transitional period of time. Applications are accepted throughout the year.

Who is eligible for the Transitional Rent Supplement Program (TRSP)?

NWT Residents in Private market rentals who pay more than 30% of their total income for rent are eligible for this program.

Residents in Public Housing or who are receiving Income Assistance are not eligible for the supplement.

What funding is available?

Funding is up to \$500.00 per month.

How do I apply?

Submit a completed [application form](#) to NWTHC_TRSP@gov.nt.ca or please contact the [District Office](#) for your region, to find out more details, and for help to fill out an application if you need it. For further questions, please contact 1-844-NWT-HOME (1-844-698-4663) or nwthc_comms@gov.nt.ca.

GREEN AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY BUILDINGS PROGRAM (GICB)



Green and Inclusive Community Buildings

FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR RETROFITS AND NEW BUILDING PROJECTS FOR COMMUNITY BUILDINGS

The [Green and Inclusive Community Buildings](#) (GICB) program is accepting applications for green and accessible retrofits, repairs or upgrades of existing public community buildings and the construction of new community buildings. Indigenous groups, municipal, regional and territorial governments, and nonprofit organizations can all apply.

Retrofit/repair projects can be submitted at any time, but new construction projects must be submitted **by July 6th** for this first year.

Refer to the [applicant guide](#) for more details and to access the application form.

Please contact Miki at miki@nwtac.com if you are interested in this opportunity.

CANADA COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION FUND (CCRF)



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GOVERNMENT OF CANADA LAUNCHES \$500 MILLION CANADA COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION FUND TO DRIVE POST-COVID-19 RECOVERY

Shared public spaces in villages, towns and cities are at the heart of communities across Canada. Main streets, downtown cores, community and cultural centres, farmers' markets, libraries, outdoor spaces and other public places draw in residents and visitors alike, supporting local businesses and jobs. In many communities, these spaces have remained empty as Canadians took precautions to stay safe from COVID-19.

The Government of Canada recognizes that Canadian cities and towns flourish

when they have community infrastructure to promote social interaction and physical activity and provide access to recreational programs and facilities. These are integral to our overall well-being as individuals, families and communities.

Our economic recovery is closely linked to the vitality of our local communities and their shared spaces. The new Canada Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF) announced in Budget 2021 provides \$500 million over two years to [Canada's regional development agencies](#) (RDAs) to invest in shared and inclusive public spaces, helping to create the conditions and accessibility to stimulate local economies and bring Canadians back together once it is safe to do so.

[For more information about the fund click here](#)

[Application Guide](#)

[Program guidelines](#)

GMVF SURVEY



GENUINE MACKENZIE VALLEY FUR (GMVF) PROGRAM EVALUATION

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Northwest Territories
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Territoires du Nord-Ouest

The Genuine Mackenzie Valley Fur (GMVF) Program provides Northwest Territories (NWT) trappers with “one window” access to the international fur auction market for fur harvested in the NWT. In addition, the Program actively markets and promotes fur at international venues through partnerships with other harvesting jurisdictions and the private sector. The programs and services under this program include:

- providing trappers access to the international fur market through an ongoing relationship with the Fur Harvesters Auction;
- covering the costs of shipping and drumming;
- marketing and promoting fur at international venues through partnerships with other harvesting jurisdictions and the private sector;
- protecting trappers against unexpected changes in the fur market through providing guaranteed advances for high-quality fur;
- providing prime fur bonuses to trappers whose pelts sell at amounts higher than the guaranteed advance;
- providing annual start-up funds for eligible harvesters through Trapper's Grubstake;
- providing community-based trapper training to help trappers get the best price for their furs; and,
- recognizing top trappers annually through trapper awards.

We are currently evaluating the program with the goal of improving delivery to best support NWT trappers and their needs. Please take a few minutes to give us feedback.

You can enter your name and email at the end to be entered into the prize draw. Your name and email will not be linked to any responses.

[Take the survey here](#)

CHAP SURVEY

COMMUNITY HARVESTERS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CHAP) EVALUATION



The Community Harvesters Assistance Program (CHAP) is a GNWT program that provides funding to Indigenous Governments, Renewable Resource Councils, Hunters and Trappers Committees or Local Hunting Organizations who in turn distribute the CHAP funding to support their members. These groups determine how they wish to spend the money they are provided. The program is currently being evaluated with the goal of improving the delivery for both harvesters and the organizations that run the program. Please take a few minutes to give us feedback.

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CANADIAN NETWORK FOR THE PREVENTION OF ELDER ABUSE



DEVELOPING A ROADMAP FOR ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION IN CANADA

CNPEA is building a pan Canadian strategy to increase the prevention of elder abuse.

Our goal: Developing a roadmap with multiple entry points, which will allow each of us, at an individual, organizational, community, and government level to play a role in preventing elder abuse, now and for the generations to come.

Change is possible. We all have a role to play. Are you ready?

[Watch the video 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.

COVID-19 POSTERS & SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS AVAILABLE FOR USE IN YOUR COMMUNITY AND ON YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA



The toolkit now contains fresh new posters and social media posts for you to use around your community and on your social media pages. Have a look!

[Link to Coronavirus Toolkit](#)

SCIENCE EXPEDITION



**NORTHERN
YOUTH LEADERSHIP**
inspiring young leaders

**NORTHERN YOUTH
LEADERSHIP (NYL)
SCIENCE EXPEDITION**

NYL is offering three separate science expeditions this summer for NWT youth of all genders aged 13-17! These expeditions are run in partnership with Nature United and Arctic Research Foundation (ARF) and will take place aboard ARF's vessel, the Nahidik. They are an opportunity for youth to meet new people and explore NWT waterways, while learning from world-class scientists and job-shadowing the ship's crew. The three trips are planned to run over the following dates:

Mackenzie River/Dehcho Science Expedition: July 22-30, 2021

Great Slave Lake Expedition #1: September 1-9, 2021

Great Slave Lake Expedition #2: September 20-28, 2021

Please visit <http://www.northernyouth.ca/programs/> to see our camp poster for this summer's science expedition programming.

You can also find out more about our camps on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/NorthernYouthLeadership/>.

**Registration for science expeditions is open until
TODAY Friday June 25th, 2021 at 5pm.**

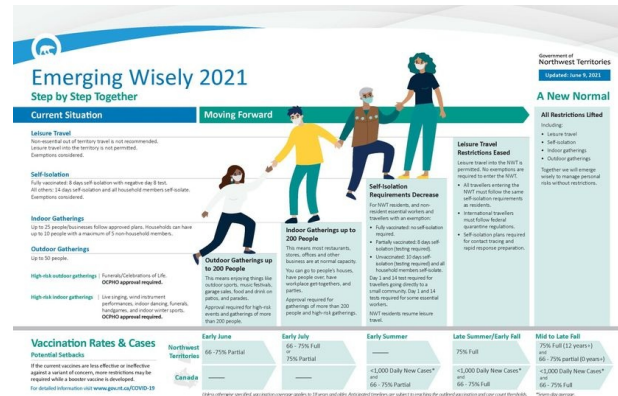
NYL uses an open application format and all applications will be reviewed by a selection committee. Unfortunately, NYL camps are often oversubscribed and submitting an application does not guarantee participation. All families will be contacted about their application after July 1st, 2021.

COVID-19

EMERGING WISELY 2021

The step-by-step guide to easing public health restrictions and moving forward from COVID-19, is available now.

[Get your copy here](#)



HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS DISASTER COMPENSATION



APPLY FOR HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS DISASTER COMPENSATION

In the event that a traditional harvester in the Northwest Territories suffers loss or damage to equipment or assets because of a natural disaster, compensation is available.

To qualify for assistance, harvesters must possess a General Hunting Licence and/or be a land claim beneficiary, be actively engaged in renewable resource harvesting activities, and prove that their harvesting provides for at least 25% of their gross annual income. The maximum compensation allowable under this program is \$4500.

This program does not compensate for losses incurred from wildland fire and cannot be used to cover losses arising from poor judgment, carelessness or acts of vandalism.

For more information, contact your [local Environment and Natural Resources office](#).

NWTAC'S FEATURED VIDEO

**NWTAC ASSET
MANAGEMENT VIDEOS
WATER PLANT**

This video was produced by the
NWT Association of Communities
with funding
from FCM.



[Watch the video here](#)

ADDICTIONS RECOVERY PEER SUPPORT FUND



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WHO CAN APPLY?

- Community-based or Indigenous Organizations
- Community-based groups or community members working in partnership with an eligible community-based or Indigenous Organization

How to apply?

- To apply for the Addictions Recovery Peer Support Fund, you will need to complete and submit the Addictions Recovery Peer Support Fund Application Form.

Funding is available for two purposes.

Training Requirements for an Addictions Recovery Peer Support Program

- Total available funds annually: \$100,000
- Available for Multi-Year Projects: No

Basic Requirements for an Addictions Recovery Peer Support Group and/or Activity

- Total available funds annually: \$180,000
- Available for Multi-Year Projects: No

[Application for Addiction Recovery Peer Support Fund](#)

COMMUNITY EFFICIENCY FUNDING

**FUNDING TO HELP
HOMEOWNERS
MAKE THEIR**

PROPERTIES MORE AFFORDABLE AND ENERGY-EFFICIENT



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With the Government of Canada, FCM's Green Municipal Fund launched its

newest funding call from our Community Efficiency Financing initiative to support Canadian municipalities and partners in the delivery of home-energy upgrade financing programs. Municipalities can access grants, loans and credit enhancement to create or scale up local programs to help homeowners upgrade the energy performance of their homes. We can help you reach your environmental goals, bring jobs to your community and build better lives.

[Apply now!](#)

NEW COUNCIL ORIENTATION



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Whether you're a new or returning municipal councillor, you'll find value in this two-day course offered by Doug Griffiths and the 13 Ways team.

We'll walk you through everything you need to know in order to competently and effectively represent your electors — and to collaborate with your new cohort

around the council table.

- Roles & Responsibilities
- Laws & Legislation
- Protocols & Procedures
- Corporate & Governance Practice
- Relationship Management
- Conflict Resolution

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Member
of the Month**



[NWTAC Tool-Kits](#)

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