

Hello all Ts'kw'aylaxw members

Just a quick update in the housing department of what we have been doing so far. As of to date the housing department has been doing some small renovations to all the rental units owned by TFN. We also have been doing some renovations to some member's homes for health and safety reasons. I completed my first Mould renovation in May 2013 and have applied to AANDC for 5 more renovations which we have been approved. Start date on these have yet to be determined. We have not been approved for the total cost of the renovations so we have been applying for other funds to cover these costs. We have set up a Emergency meeting for July 13, 2013 at 10:00 am here at the band office to discuss this issue. As of today CMHC is not accepting any RRAP applications for any regular renovations or any other renovations. These 5 homes have written letters to the housing department with concerns of mould in their homes. If any other members are concerned that they may have mould please notify me with a written letter.

Melissa and I have been very busy applying for 4 new houses with CMHC and we have received a conditional commitment which means that we are half way to getting a commitment from CMHC to build 4 new units. We have sent out letters to all members on our housing list to update that list, so if you haven't replied or updated your application please contact us at the office. In the next few weeks we should now if the 4 units are a go, then the next step would be choosing the people who will qualify for these units.

We had two housing meetings so far and I thank those who took time out to come and voice their concerns and look forward to our next meetings. We are going to have housing meetings at least once a month to discuss all things related to housing which include all renovations, mould, arrears, Policy and procedures and any other concerns that may arise.

My office is always open to any members that may have any questions or concerns.

I look forward to been part of growth within our community



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