

## **Nunatsiavut COVID-19 Emergency Heat Subsidy Program**

*On December 2, 2020, the Nunatsiavut Government announced details of a number of initiatives aimed at assisting Beneficiaries of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement, residing in the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area, deal with impacts associated with the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic.*

The purpose of the *Nunatsiavut COVID-19 Emergency Heat Subsidy Program* is to provide those most vulnerable and those economically impacted by the global pandemic with costs of home heating. Eligible recipients may receive assistance with acquiring wood, or cover some of the costs of electric heat or furnace/stove oil. The program is intended as a supplement and not meant to replace an individual's responsibility to pay for normal expenses relating to heating their homes. As well, under the program, assistance will be provided to those who have no means in which to heat their homes, either because of non-existent or broken furnaces, wood stoves and chimneys that are in states of disrepair, or fuel tanks that are not certified. Assistance will be provided for one-time repairs to qualifying applicants.

### **Eligibility**

This program is by application only, and is only available to Beneficiaries of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement. There is one application form for all programs offered within the Labrador Inuit Settlement Area. Applicants who meet the income cut-off criteria, applied to other COVID-19 response programs, will receive appropriate assistance, regardless of the type of heating required for their homes. Applicants can only qualify for one type of heating supplement.

Seniors, 65 or older, are eligible to apply, but are not required to provide proof of income.

### **How to apply**

Beneficiaries wishing to apply for *Nunatsiavut COVID-19 Emergency Heat Subsidy Program* are asked to contact the following in their respective communities during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday):

<b>Community</b>	<b>Contact person</b>	<b>Contact numbers</b>
Nain	Rutie Dicker	709-922-2942
	Mary-Adelaide	709-922-1268 or 709-680-4060
	Additional staff	709-922-2942
	Alice Okkuatsiak	709-922-2114
Hopedale	Ethel Hunter	709-933-3777
	Dawn Winters	709-933-3777
Postville	Jennifer Jacque	709-479-9878 or 709-479-9842
	Betty Vincent	709-479-9880
Makkovik	Carol Gear	709-923-2001 or 709-923-2182
	Michelle Dyson	709-923-2009 or 709-923-2412
	Amalia McNeill	709-923-2340
Rigolet	Paula Sheppard-McLean	709-947-3383 (ext. 206) or 709-947-3449
	Lisa Palliser	709-947-3328