

Regional Tripartite Housing Committee



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CHECKLIST FOR FIRST NATION HOUSING

For new elected officials and new employees

Welcome!

The Regional Tripartite Housing Committee (RTHC) would like to welcome new elected officials and new employees in the community housing sector by providing you with this checklist to help you identify the housing context for the First Nations in Quebec. You will find in this checklist a short description of federal housing programs, a summary of regional needs, the contact information for the main stakeholders, as well as various useful links. We hope that you will find this checklist useful.

About the Regional Tripartite Housing Committee (RTHC)

The RTHC consists of representatives of the Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL), Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). Our mission is to provide recommendations to respective authorities of the 3 partners in order to improve housing conditions for First Nations members. The Committee will give priority to partnership, information sharing, discussions and networking, to ensure the advancement of dossiers of mutual interest.

You can learn about the RTHC on the AFNQL Website. You will also find on the Website the Committee Newsletter, "*Aboriginal Housing Connector*", the minutes of meetings, a guide to federal funding allocations for on-reserve housing, the Draft Regional Strategy as well as other relevant documents.

<http://apnql.com/en/regional-tripartite-housing-committee/>

Programs available to First Nations on-reserve

ISC

First Nations that receive ISC funding for on-reserve housing can use these funds to meet a wide range of needs: building; renovation; lot servicing; maintenance; insurance; debt servicing; planning and management of the housing portfolio; mould elimination.

<https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1100100010715/1521125087940>

The department also provides Ministerial Loan Guarantees to lenders who are financing housing loans on-reserve.

<https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1100100010759/1533297595541>

Other information is available concerning First Nations individual and collective land rights.

<https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100034737/1100100034738>

CMHC

Non-Profit Housing Program (construction, purchase, renovation and rental housing administration at affordable price)

<https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/developing-and-renovating/funding-opportunities/funding-first-nations-development/on-reserve-non-profit-housing-program-section-95>

Renovation Subsidy Programs (rehabilitation of substandard housing, modifications for persons with disabilities, emergency repairs, adaptations for seniors, etc.)

<https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/taggedindex?tagid=%7b5E99D5E8-D22B-40C7-AA82-0E4BB57F03D1%7d#sort=relevancy>

Access to Ownership Programs (loan insurance, etc.)

<https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/developing-and-renovating/funding-opportunities/funding-first-nations-development/insured-loans-on-reserve-first-nation-housing>

Employment and Skill Development Programs

<https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/developing-and-renovating/developing-for-first-nations/housing-internship-initiative-first-nation-inuit-youth>

In addition to regular programs that they provide, ISC and CMHC offer additional assistance to First Nations under various special initiatives.



FNMHF

The First Nations Market Housing Fund (FNMHF) helps community members obtain loans to purchase, rent or renovate residential properties. Funding is also focused on creating the capacity in First Nations communities to support the administration of market-based housing programs.

<http://flmpn.ca/english/about/index.html>

Community Needs

The AFNQL maintains on a regular basis the status of housing in First Nations communities in Quebec and Labrador. The most recent data (2014) collected from First Nations clearly illustrate that there is a housing crisis in the communities. Here is a summary of the major needs identified:

9,433 new units required, especially to eliminate overcrowding in the next 5 years

4,983 units need to be renovated or repaired

1,636 units need to be decontaminated (mould)

8,251 lots do not have sufficient infrastructure

The report describes the trends and the challenges that characterize First Nations on-reserve housing. The report also presents the approach which is promoted by the Chiefs to solve the housing crisis.

You may consult and download report from the AFNQL Website:

<http://www.afnql-afnql.com/fr/dossiers/img/logement/BesoinsLogement-2014-resume-fr-en.pdf>

The Main Stakeholders in the Housing Sector are:

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