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Sivunivut Community-Based Research

Sivunivut Inuit Community Corporation Inc. is pleased to announce that its application to the *Climate Change and Health Adaptation in Northern First Nations and Inuit Communities Program* of Health Canada has been conditionally approved. Our proposal, **Traditional Knowledge: A Blueprint for Change**, a partnership between Sivunivut Corporation and the Labrador Institute has been conditionally approved in the amount of \$118,070.00.

This proposal has been developed as a one-year project with the flexibility for a second year of study, dependent on the research findings and subject to funding. It will include significant local Inuit youth training with respect to the collection and documentation of traditional knowledge (TK). The Labrador Institute of Memorial University will help provide training to our community members on methods for collecting and analyzing traditional knowledge, including the use of GIS, video, audio, and interviewing techniques.

Once training is complete, Inuit youth of North West River will collect traditional knowledge on the location, importance and threats to fresh water, sea ice, sensitive habitats and species. Our study area is centered on NWR and will focus on current and historic Inuit land and resource use of the region. Once these locations are specified, data will be entered and a map of these sensitive/hazardous areas will be developed for public viewing and use. The traditional knowledge gathered on these areas will be documented and kept as a record for future use.

It is anticipated this project will begin in late summer/early fall 2010.

Nunatsiavut Assembly Highlights March 9th-11th, 2010

- A Chapter 24 has been added to the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement entitled Nunavik Inuit/Labrador Inuit Overlap Agreement. This Overlap Agreement specifies the area involved, sharing of the area involved, and sets out the rights of Labrador Inuit in the Nunavik marine portion of the Overlap area.
- **BILL NO. 2010-01, An Act Respecting the Administration of Money Received by the Nunatsiavut Government under Chapter 19 and Chapter 23 of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement.** This Bill would:
 - (1) ratify and approve all administrative decisions made and actions taken in respect of money received by the Nunatsiavut Government under chapters 19 and 23 of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement during the period from December 1, 2005, to and including March 31, 2010;
 - (2) authorize transfer of the amounts received under Chapter 23 in December 2008 and 2009 to the Implementation Trust;
 - (3) authorize transfer of all amounts received under Chapter 19 to the Labrador Inuit Settlement Trust Fund;
 - (4) authorize the Treasurer to transfer all money received in future under Chapters 19 and 23 of the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement to the Settlement Trust and the Implementation Trust respectively.
- **BILL NO. 2010-02, Torngat Co-Op Loan Guarantees Act, 2010 An Inuit Law To Authorize The Nunatsiavut Government To Issue Loan Guarantees To Support Commercial Borrowing By Torngat Fish Producers Cooperative Society Limited For The Period From April 1, 2010 To March 31, 2011.** This Bill would authorize the Nunatsiavut Government to issue loan guarantees in order to support the operations of Torngat Co-op during the 2010 - 11 fiscal year.
- **BILL NO. 2010-03, An Act To Implement The Consolidated Financial Plan Of The Nunatsiavut Government For The Fiscal Year Beginning April 1, 2010 And Ending March 31, 2011.** This Bill would approve the budget for 2009-10, authorize the Nunatsiavut Government to raise and collect revenues and to spend money from the Nunatsiavut Fund for the purposes set out in the budget.
- **BILL NO. 2010-04, A Bill For An Act Respecting Inuit Community Government Elections.** This Bill would replace Part 5 of the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act*, IL-2006-01 and would repeal that Act. The Bill would establish a separate Act for Inuit Community Governments but would retain all of the main features and procedures found in Part 5 of the old Act. The Bill would also re-organize the various sections of the Act so that they are more user-friendly.

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Nunatsiavut Assembly Highlights March 9th-11th, 2010 continued

- **BILL NO. 2010-05, A Bill For An Act Respecting The Election Of The Chairpersons Of Inuit Community Corporations.** This Bill would repeal and replace the *Inuit Community Corporations Elections Act*, IL-2006-03, in the manner recommended by the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer in his report. The Bill retains all of the main features and procedures found in the old Act but re-organizes the various sections of the Act so that they are more user-friendly.
- **BILL NO. 2010-06, A Bill For An Inuit Law To Amend The Standing Orders and Procedures of The Nunatsiavut Assembly.** This Bill would extend the time for question period and the number of questions and supplementary questions for Question Period.
- Other resolutions approved were: a Resolution endorsing the establishment of one Alcohol Committee for the Inuit Communities under the provincial *Liquor Control Act*; a Resolution respecting the limitation of alcohol shipped to an individual per day in an Inuit Community; and a Resolution respecting the alcohol free status of all Nunatsiavut Government sponsored events and activities.
- The President was directed by the Assembly to strike 2 special committees. One committee will look into letter of complaint regarding his treatment at LIDC. The other committee will look into inconsistencies with the \$5,000 ratification payout and the Ratification Voter's List.
- The second general election for Ordinary Members of the second Nunatsiavut Assembly will take place on Tuesday, May 4. Nominations for candidates will close at 2 p.m. on March 31.
- The **NEW** Nunatsiavut Government website is now up and running; check out www.nunatsiavut.com

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Justin Baikie** of North West River, who graduated from Dalhousie University in May 2009 with a degree in Electrical Engineering.

Congratulations to **Jenna Broomfield** of North West River who was chosen to attend the 2010 Inuit Youth Council conference and to perform with Inuit Youth from across Canada at the opening ceremonies of the Vancouver Olympics.

New Katimavik Participants

The new participants, their home towns, and work placements are:

Heidi Andersen - Christopher Lake, SK - Sivunivut Corporation
Jonathan Chartier - Granby, QC - Town of NWR
Catherine Drouin - Montreal, QC - Nunatsiavut Dept. of Health
Amy Gardiner - Mississauga, ON - 50+ Seniors & Labrador Heritage Society
Megan Maher - Kamloops, BC - Labrador Heritage Society
Tessa Mark - Hamilton, ON - TVCR Community TV
Jonathan Santerre - St-Jean-Sur-Richelieu, QC - 50+ Seniors & TVCR
Patricia Turcotte - Saguenay (Chicoutimi), QC - Nunatsiavut Dept. of Health
Jack Yager - Calgary, AB - Town of NWR
Alexander Yates - North Vancouver, BC - Lake Melville School



Upcoming Course

Sivunivut Corporation will be partnering with the Labrador Craft Marketing Agency and Labrador Heritage Society to hold a Baby Bootee/Parka Doll 2 day workshop on March 27th and 28th. Interested people can contact Program Coordinator, Kay Russell at 497-8406, Barb Wood at 896-5449, or the LMCA office at 896-2121. It is felt that these products are best sellers and it is very difficult to find producers of these crafts.

Comings and Goings

Sivunivut Corporation would like to thank **Mina Campbell Hibbs** for her contributions and dedication to the Board of Directors. Mina had served as Vice-chair with Sivunivut Corporation. The Board wishes Mina the best of luck in her future endeavours.

We would like to welcome **Michael Broomfield** as the new vice-chair for Sivunivut Inuit Community Corporation. Mike was acclaimed as vice-chair in the by-election of March 15th, 2010. The Board looks forward to working with Mike in his new capacity and Sivunivut's continuing commitment to our members and the community.

We would like to welcome **Heidi Andersen** as the Katimavik participant working at the Sivunivut office. Heidi is responsible for transcribing the Elder's stories and developing a format for published material, as well as the contact for the Community Freezer.

Congratulations!

To the 2010 North West River Labrador Winter Games Team :

Andreas Philips – Gold, Northern Games Male

Mitzi Rich – Northern Games Women

Rory Blake – Northern Triathlon

Joseph Townley – Labrathon

NWR Volleyball Team – Bronze

Jordan Blake / Katherine Blake-Cross Country Skiing Relay

Jordan Blake – Cross Country Skiing Male

Katherine Blake – Cross Country Skiing Female

Joseph Townley – Snowshoe Biathlon Male

Natasha Michelin – Snowshoe Biathlon Female



Rory Blake / Dalina Blake – Silver Mixed Badminton

Rory Blake – Badminton Male

Dalina Blake – Silver, Badminton Female

Joseph Townley – Bronze, Target Shooting Male

Natasha Michelin – Target Shooting Female

Tony Montague – Silver, Snowmobile Race Male

Brenda Saunders - Snowmobile Race Female

Anautak Phillips/ Colin Baikie – Snowshoe Race Male

Jenna Broomfield/ Katherine Blake - Snowshoe Race Female

North West River won an award for Best Dressed Team and finished 8th overall in the Community Rankings!

Observations from a Katimavik'er

My name is Heidi Lolina Anderson and I am from Saskatchewan. I have been a Katimavik participant here in North West River, Labrador since January 20th. In my time here I have met wonderful, friendly people, been enriched with a variety of new experiences and been fortunate enough to take in the breath-taking scenery which is Labrador. Being in this small community everyone is more relaxed and there is freedom to take things at an individuals pace. Although, an “individuals pace” doesn't necessarily mean slow, some people here go way beyond the call of duty and should be strapped down with rules and deadlines!

It's an all for one motto here; I feel safe at night because the community is a family. They genuinely care about you and want the best for you. Volunteerism here is just a part of the lifestyle; in other places I've felt that being a volunteer was a big exception. Volunteering is the heart-beat of the town and keeps it going!

At my work placement with Sivunivut Corporation, I give out caribou meat to Elders. Even though I myself do not eat meat, I've learnt that it is an integral, important part of the culture. I think that traditional hunting practices are the best way to obtain meat and should not be lost to the commercial mainstream practices.

I have also been fortunate to listen to interviews with Elders, visit the Museum and Interpretation Centre; to me it is clearly evident the deep, rich history that exists here. It is also amazing how much Labrador pride is proudly put on display; be it participating in the Labrador Winter Games, simply using a painted Labrador garbage can, saying “*how are youse*” or referring to something as “*he*” or a “*she*” when really it's a “*it*”. A Labradorian oozes out and can't be faked.

I think we will all miss a lot about this unique place. Laughing as we square dance, grinning as we skidoo, gawking at the moon, learning Inuktitut, listening to how you snare a rabbit, gnawing on a red berry tart, frying flummies, walking as we snowshoe, falling as we ski, are just a few examples. Unfortunately I'll be leaving April 14th so I won't get to see a Striver summer, but hopefully I'll find myself back in this unique little part of the world someday...? *Oh yes b'y!*

Some Contact Numbers

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If you would like to receive correspondence from this Office through email or to be added to our mailing list, please call or send a message to ed.tuttauk@nunatsiavut.com indicating you would like to receive information in this manner.

All Sivunivut Inuit Community Corporation minutes are available in the Office for Beneficiaries to view.

These are also available at Sivunivut's website: www.sivunivut.ca. The Nunatsiavut Government

Hansard (Assembly meeting minutes) are also available at our website or in the office for viewing.

Video recordings of the Assembly Sitting are available for viewing as well.

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