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HOUSING SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Reaching Home Program

April 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027

A Message from the Office of April Bennett
Housing & Poverty Reduction Officer
Ktaqmkuk Reaching Home Hub – Social Development Department

Flat Bay Band Inc. is offering housing support for individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The program provides emergency assistance to help people secure and maintain stable housing.



WHO CAN APPLY

- Currently homeless
- At risk of eviction due to rent arrears
- Renting and facing power disconnection
- Need help securing housing

SUPPORT MAY INCLUDE

- Rental arrears assistance
- Damage deposit / first month's rent
- Short-term rental assistance
- Basic apartment setup supports
- Heat and light arrears assistance
- Referrals to community services

CONTACT INFORMATION

Flat Bay Band Inc. – Ktaqmkuk Reaching Home Program
Contact the Reaching Home Officer to complete a housing assessment.

Phone: 709-647-1370

Email: aprilbennettflatbayband@gmail.com



Looking for a welcoming and supportive place to stay or connect with services in the Bay St. George area?

The No'kmaq Village Guest House offers comfortable accommodations along with access to a variety of supports for individuals and families.

Through an Indigenous lens, we provide a safe, welcoming environment while helping connect people to programs and services related to housing, financial empowerment, wellness, and community supports. Whether you are visiting the area, attending training, or looking for guidance and resources, we are here to help.

For more information about accommodations, programs, or available supports, please reach out to us. We look forward to welcoming you.

Sharon and Joan – (709) 275 – 3010

HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY INITIATIVE



**APPLICATION DEADLINE:
MAY 15, 2026**



Qalipu First Nation (QFN) Housing Division is excited to announce the reopening of the "Home Energy Efficiency Initiative" starting on April 6, 2026. This program provides financial assistance to existing homeowners for the purchase and installation of heat pumps, aiming to lower home heating costs and reduce overall greenhouse gas emissions. While funding is limited, data collected throughout this initiative will be carefully analyzed to evaluate the need for similar programs in the future.

Applicants MUST submit all required documentation by May 15, 2026.



Need help with your application?

Our staff are able to assist with applications, please call (709) 647-1370 to make an appointment. One of our staff members can come to your home, help you complete the application, take necessary photos, copy supporting documents and submit via email for you!



Dear Residents of Flat Bay–St. Teresa's,

We are reaching out to ask our community to come together and raise awareness of the serious safety concerns on our roads—particularly on Route 403.

The condition of Route 403 has deteriorated to the point where it is no longer safe for daily use. Many residents rely on this road for work, medical appointments, and essential services. In addition, school bus travel has become increasingly difficult—young children are becoming distressed and even physically ill due to the rough and unsafe ride.

As taxpayers, we deserve safe infrastructure and equal access to services, just like every other citizen in this province.

We are asking all residents to take action by contacting our elected MHA, Hal Cormier, at 709-646-3108 to formally lodge a complaint. Our community is requesting that the 11 km stretch of Route 403 be properly repaired. Temporary fixes are no longer acceptable—we need a long-term, safe solution for all who depend on this road.

While some signage has recently been installed following calls to the Department of Highways, this is not enough. We are calling on the provincial government to take responsibility and invest in meaningful repairs. We also encourage residents to submit claims to the Department of Transportation for any vehicle damage caused by road conditions. Copies will also be available at the local store for your convenience.

Let's work together to ensure our voices are heard and our community receives the safe infrastructure it deserves.

-Sincerely, Chief Joanne Miles