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# TFN Enrichment Funds Elders and Disabled Home Repair Policy

#### 1. PURPOSE:

1.1 To set out guidelines for the administration of the elders and disabled home repair program.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1 Registered Members of the Temagami First Nation who are not in financial arrears with the Temagami First Nation are eligible.

#### 3. ALLOCATION:

3.1 There is an allocation of \$4,000.00 per approved application. Annual allocations to this program will be in accordance with the on-going plan/budget for the Enrichment Funds Program.

#### 4. FIRST APPLICATION:

- 4.1 Applicant must be a Temagami First Nation member who owns and occupies the home being repaired or renovated and it must be the applicant's permanent residence;
- 4.2 A Temagami First Nation Member who must be at least 50 years of age or turning 50 years of age within the current fiscal year and/or;
- 4.3 Temagami First Nation members who receive disability income.

#### 5. CRITERIA FOR RE-APPLICATION:

- 5.1 Members are eligible to re-apply every 5 years.
- 5.2 Household Income will determine eligibility for re-application
- 5.3 Combined gross income of the homeowner and spouse/partner in the home being repaired or renovated must be below \$45,000 and \$32,000 for single person income for an applicant to be eligible to re-apply every 5 years. Members must submit verification of income to be considered.
- 5.4 NOTE: If you are low income and residing on Reserve, you may be eligible for a Residential Repairs Assistance Program.

## 6. APPLICATION PROCESS:

- 6.1 Applicants must submit a letter by April 30th to the Enrichment Clerk requesting the allocation.
- 6.2 The letter must include a description of the work planned and approximate costs.
- 6.3 Proof of home ownership
- 6.4 Front and back copy of your status card,

# 7. SELECTION & APPROVAL PROCESS:

- 7.1 Applications will be reviewed with the Housing dept
- 7.2 Allocations will be approved with priority placed on health and safety issues, age and disability. If there are remaining allocations, they will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis throughout the fiscal year.
- 7.3 Applicants will be informed in writing no later than June 30th whether they have been approved.

## 8. PROCESS FOR RECEIVING FUNDS:

- 8.1 Once approved, there are two ways to receive the funds.
  - 8.1.1. Submit original receipts for reimbursement.
  - 8.1.2. Contact the Finance Department to arrange for invoices to be paid directly to suppliers or contractors.
- 8.2 To ensure funds are utilized appropriately, please provide before and after pictures of repairs/renovations.
- 8.3 Members will have until the end of the fiscal year to access their funds, after which time, funds will no longer be available.