



COMMUNITY NOTICE

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2020-2021 AKWESASNE HEATING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Mohawk Council of Akwesasne would like to inform the community that the Akwesasne Heating Assistance Program will once again be offered for the upcoming 2020-2021 winter months. The eligibility application process now includes Akwesasronon who are residing within the municipal boundary of the City of Cornwall, Ontario, provided the applicant is a registered member of the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne under the Akwesasne Membership Code. The program is also extended to clients of the Community Support Program.

The application process is open to Akwesasronon who reside under the jurisdiction of Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, one per household. Applications from last year are now being taken over the phone due to the COVID-19 pandemic. **You do not have to fill out an application again for this year. If you applied last year, someone from Community Support Program will be in touch with you soon.**

Individuals who applied last year will automatically be contacted by staff of the Community Support Program to verify your application and to see if you wish for your heating source payment to remain the same, or go to a different provider. If you are a new applicant or have not heard from the Community Support Program, please call our office at (613) 575-2341 ext. 3262 and we will assist you with the application process over the phone.

As per Mohawk Council Resolution 2020/2021 #138 for this year only, if you are age 59 and under, the heating assistance amount will increase from \$500 per eligible household to \$700. If you are an Elder aged 60 years and older, the increase will be from \$800 dollars per eligible household to \$1000.

Once approved, your name will be provided to your heating source provider and your allotment will be credited to your account.

Application verifications from last year are now being confirmed by phone effective the release of this communique to the public under Mohawk Council of Akwesasne.

The final deadline for applications will be Friday, December 4, 2020. There will be no exceptions after the deadline date, as the fuel distribution will commence at that time.