

POLICY STATEMENT

The Department of Family Services is committed to a grants and contributions approval process that is accountable, easy to understand, fair, transparent, and reflective of community-based needs and Inuit Societal Values.

PRINCIPLES

This policy is based on the following principles:

- 1. The department is committed to Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit concepts of Pijitsirniq (serving and providing for family and/or community), Aajiiqatigiinninq (decision making through discussion and consensus), and Piliriqatigiinniq (working together for a common cause).
- 2. All roles and responsibilities are clearly defined, and the process is open and transparent to Nunavummiut.
- 3. Programs and services offered by the department will represent the values, knowledge, beliefs, and cultural distinctiveness of Nunavummiut.
- 4. Programs and services will support Inuuqatigiitsiarniq (respecting others, relationships, and caring for people) by helping individuals, families, and communities to have responsibility in achieving health, well-being and self-reliance.
- 5. Activities of the department will support individuals and families, promote self-reliance, work to reduce poverty and homelessness, and be based on healthy relationships of mutual support and respect, both in the home and the community.
- 6. The department will work in close cooperation with Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated, as described in Article 32 of the *Nunavut Agreement*, and in accordance with *Aajiiqatigiinniq*.

APPLICATION

This policy applies to non-profit organizations, community governments, Nunavut Arctic College, District Education Authorities, individuals, and other approved organizations who direct their efforts in support of projects that help improve the lives of children and families, or any other activities in line with the objectives of the Department of Family Services.

DEFINITIONS

Audited Financial Statement

A financial statement audited by an accountant with an audit designation registered under the Chartered Professional Accountants Act (Nunavut).

Community-Based Application

A funding application originating from a municipality in Nunavut that has community support.

Community Government

A municipal corporation, or in the absence of a municipal corporation, a community governing authority recognized by the Minister of Community and Government Services.



Contribution

A conditional transfer payment made to a recipient from whom the Government of Nunavut will not receive any goods or services. Contribution payments are conditional on performance or achievement and are subject to audit or other financial reporting requirements.

<u>Grant</u>

A transfer payment made to a recipient from whom the Government of Nunavut will not receive any goods or services. A grant is a discretionary payment without a financial accountability requirement. However, there are eligibility requirements and an achievement report or other nonfinancial performance or reporting requirements may be required.

Inuktut

Refers to Inuinnaqtun in or near Kugluktuk, Cambridge Bay, Bathurst Inlet and Umingmaktuuq, and Inuktitut in or near all other communities.

Non-Profit Organization

A community-based, regional or territory-wide organization that is recognized by the *Societies Act* (Nunavut) as non- profit in nature, or other non-profit local or territorial associations, groups, or agencies that are recognized by the department.

Official Languages

The Inuit Language, English and French, as per the Official Languages Act (2008), ss. 3(1). In reference to general conditions, an applicant must provide their communications and services to the public in the Inuit language; including, without limitations, public signs, posters, commercial advertising, reception services, and any client or customer services available to the general public, or in accordance with an Inuit Language Plan or a substitution approved by the Languages Commissioner.

Recipient

A Nunavummiut, non-profit organization, community governments, Nunavut Arctic College, District Education Authorities, and any other organization that receives funding under this policy.

AUTHORITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Executive Council

The Executive Council shall approve program provisions and any exceptions to the policy.

Legislative Assembly

The Legislative Assembly approves the grants and contributions budget of the Department of Family Services.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Minister

The Minister of Family Services is accountable to the Executive Council for the implementation of this policy. The Minister may delegate authority to approve provisions of this policy to the Deputy Minister.

Deputy Minister

The Deputy Minister of Family Services is accountable to the Minister for the administration of this policy, including final approval on the awarding of all grants and contributions. Where applicable,

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this will include guidelines that specifically address appeal procedures.

Program Managers

Program Managers provide accountability by ensuring all grant and contribution funding is awarded for the purpose intended. They also ensure recipients submit any required financial statements and program activity reports, support administrative compliance with the *Financial Administration Act* (Nunavut), *Financial Administration Manual* and ensure payments are made in a timely manner.

PROVISIONS

<u>Eligibility</u>

- a) Eligibility for this policy is restricted to non-profit, community-based, organizations, community governments, Nunavut Arctic College, District Education Authorities, individuals, or other organizations as set out in the attached schedules. When requested, the department will assist applicants with the preparation of funding proposals. When required, the department will seek clarification of information in funding proposals.
- b) All applications approved for funding must be project specific, with a clearly defined timeline for completion, must state the economic or social benefits to the public including benefits to the Government and what other results the program' are expected to achieve. Meeting the eligibility requirements of this policy does not guarantee funding approval.
- c) Each potential recipient must file with the Department of Family Services a project proposal stating the general purpose, background, goals and objectives, main activities, expected outcomes and indicators, timeframes, and proposed budget. This may include annual budgets, financial statements, financial analysis and similar information for ongoing agreements that are renewed each year. When requested, the department assists applicants with the preparation of funding proposals.
- d) The Department will review eligibility of all applications. This will include the level within the department at which this review takes place and who is responsible for managing the program with restrictions on use of the asset contributed as indicated in the schedules of this policy.
- e) The Department will determine which applications will receive funding and levels of funding. This will include considerations of the past experience with prospective recipients. Factors to consider are: evaluation of project outcomes, promptness of meeting reporting requirements; outstanding amounts due under prior agreements, availability of budget funds and similar matters.

General Conditions

- a) All grant and contribution recipients must sign an agreement or other authorizing documentation accepting the terms of the grant and contribution arrangement before payment is issued ("Grant" or "Contribution Agreement"). Agreements may only be signed by Department officials who have been delegated the appropriate level of signing authority.
- b) The Government of Nunavut will use existing templates in drafting funding agreements. If a template is not used, or extensive changes are made to an existing template or a new template is being developed, the department must consult with the Department of Justice.



- c) This policy applies to all anticipated payments under the program and any payments that deviate from the program requirements must be approved by the FMB.
- d) The Deputy Head or delegate of the funding department is responsible to monitor the recipient to ensure compliance with the conditions of the agreement, applicable legislation, and FAM directives. If a recipient ceases to be eligible during the term of the agreement, the recipient shall repay any unexpended funds in accordance with the agreement terms. The department shall invoice the recipient within 30 days from the time it is determined that they are no longer eligible.
- e) The Department will ensure procedures are in place that payments cease when eligibility ceases and that any funds paid in error are recovered promptly.
- f) The Department will provide a quarterly report listing any payments approved only by a Minister or Deputy Minister to the Expenditure Management Division of the Department of Finance.
- g) All grant and contribution payments must be charged against an appropriation in the Department indicating the level of funding and method of payment including lump-sum, installments, holdbacks, expenditure-based payments, etc. The Department will identify and report the total of all grants and contributions made.
- h) Recipients can carry over surplus funds from one fiscal year to the next fiscal year when used to continue or complete the project. Funds cannot carry over to start a new initiative.
- Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion and comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the Contribution agreement. Contribution Agreements will include a monitoring and evaluation component, including an accountability framework to track expenditures.
- j) Where applicable, projects funded under this policy must meet the necessary approvals by regulatory, municipal and other authorities. This may include meeting health and safety standards, support from community or regional councils, or any other approvals deemed necessary for the project to proceed.
- k) The Government of Nunavut may terminate, suspend, withdraw from project or reduce the scope of the agreement if the recipient fails to comply with the terms of the agreement.
- I) All information or material supplied to or obtained by the recipient, as a result of the agreement with the government, must be treated confidentially.
- m) Recipients must provide communications with and services to the public in Inuktut, together with any other language used, if any, that are necessary to ensure compliance with section 3 of the *Inuit Language Protection Act*, S.Nu. 2008, c.17.

Financial Conditions

a) All provisions contained in the Government of Nunavut's *Financial Administration Act* and the Government of Nunavut's Financial Administration Manual shall apply to the financial administration of all grants and contributions issued by the Department.

b) The Government of Nunavut has the right to recover payments should the recipient be in Revised: August 10, 2023
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default of the agreement, the right to cancel or reduce transfer payments in the event that Departmental appropriation or funding levels are changed for the fiscal year.

- c) Prior to payment issuance, the recipients of a contribution shall sign a Contribution agreement which contains their project goals and objectives, guidelines for allowable expenditures, completion timeline, and financial reporting and accounting requirements.
- d) Recipients of a contribution in excess of \$300,000 are required to submit mid-year financial reports and year-end audited financial statements, which includes a schedule of revenues and expenses, within 90 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year.
- e) Recipients of a contribution that is between \$100,000 to \$300,000 are required to submit an unaudited revenue and expense statement, contract agreement, receipts, and progress reports semiannually and within 90 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year.
- f) Recipients of a contribution that is \$100,000 or less are required to submit a year-end Schedule of Revenues and Expenses and interim reports within 60 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year. Where the required financial accounting is not submitted, the recipient will not be eligible for further funding until the required financial statements indicating how the contribution was expended are submitted or the amount unaccounted for is repaid. Recipients are also required to submit an achievement report outlining the benefits achieved, compared to the expectations indicated in the proposal.
- g) In instances where the required un-audited or audited financial statements and schedules of revenues and expenses are not submitted, or the recipient has identified surplus project funds – except contributions funded by the Government of Canada through third party transfers which may carry unused funds to the next fiscal year within the terms of the agreement – the amounts outstanding will be deducted from any future payments, and, or, future Contribution Agreements will be prohibited until the required financial statements and schedules are submitted or the amount unaccounted for is repaid.
- h) Recipients are required to repay advances, overpayments, interest on overdue amounts, unexpended balances and disallowed expenses, any surplus project funds or unaccounted project expenditures and a declaration that such amounts constitute debts due to the Government of Nunavut within 90 days of the completion of the project or the term of the contribution. Agreement must require recipient to report any amounts owing to the Government of Nunavut and recognition that amounts due to the recipient may be set-off against amounts owing to the Government of Nunavut.
- i) Funding in one fiscal year does not guarantee funding in subsequent years.
- j) Under the terms of this policy, the Government of Nunavut's liability is limited to the amount of funding authorized. As a result, the Government of Nunavut will not be responsible for any shortfalls or deficits incurred by the funding recipient. The Government of Nunavut is not liable in the case where the recipient is entering into a loan, a capital lease or other long-term obligation in relation to the project for which the transfer payment is provided.
- k) All applicants for funding must disclose if they have applied for funding for the same project from other sources, in order to avoid any possibility of double funding. Failure to disclose may



result in reduced or withheld funding.

- I) The Government of Nunavut reserves the right to conduct an audit of any project funded through a grant or contribution, even if an audit may not always be undertaken. Recipients must permit the government access to the project site or premises, to inspect all financial records related to the project and to obtain any other information necessary for evaluating the success of a project.
- m) In instances where the required financial accounting and reporting requirements are not met the recipient is not eligible for further funding until the required information is provided, or the amount unaccounted for is repaid.

Multi-Year Agreements

- a) Funding proposals for multi-year projects are only permitted where specifically allowed in a program schedule.
- b) Funding for multi-year Contribution Agreements is conditional upon having appropriated funds available in the Contributions budget for subsequent years.
- c) In order to receive funding for subsequent years under multi-year agreements, recipients are required to submit the applicable financial reports as per the Financial Conditions sections (a) and (b), which includes a schedule of revenues and expenses, within 90 days of the end of the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year, unless an exemption is approved by the Deputy Minister.

APPEALS

- a) When applicable, an applicant for a grant or contribution has the right to appeal a denial of funding.
- b) Appeals for grants or contributions, where a statutory appeal process is not already in place, will be dealt with in accordance with the guidelines established in support of this policy. The appeal authority within the Department will be the Deputy Head.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Financial resources required under this policy are conditional on approval by the Legislative Assembly and on the availability of funds in the appropriate budget. Contributions funded by the Government of Canada through third-party transfers are subject to available funding and the terms and conditions imposed on the transfer of funds.

PREROGATIVE OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Nothing in this policy shall in any way be construed to limit the prerogative of the Executive Council to make decisions or take action respecting the grants and contributions of the Department of Family Services outside the provisions of this policy.

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This policy shall be in effect from the date of approval until March 31, 2027.

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SCHEDULE A – 1 TUNNGASUGVIK

1. Purpose

This program provides contribution funding to community governments and Non-Profit Organizations that provide emergency homeless shelter services or transitional housing to address homelessness in Nunavut.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to community governments and non-profit organizations that provide emergency homeless shelter services and second stage housing services.

3. Review

Non-profit organizations and municipal corporations can submit proposals for emergency homeless shelters or transitional housing based upon a recognized need in their community. Feedback will be provided to the proponents and the proposal may need to be re-submitted after modification. Departmental staff will review the proposal and make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the Department of Family Services, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposal objectives, the proposed budget (revenues and expenditures, including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project. The proposal must also demonstrate community support and partnerships.

5. Accountability

An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures, client usage of facilities and services and programming supports provided to clients. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding for emergency homeless shelters or transitional housing shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the Contribution Agreement. Contribution Agreements will also include a monitoring and evaluation component.

6. Amount

The amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is set out in the Contribution Agreement between the recipient and the Government of Nunavut. Funding levels of specific projects depend on the nature of the project, eligible expenses and funding available from other sources; however total combined contributions cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly. The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$2,000,000.

7. Payment

Contributions will be paid in installments as outlined in the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

A Contribution Agreement provides operational funding and is subject to a reporting and accountability period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years.

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SCHEDULE A - 2 HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES

1. Purpose

Contribution funding is available to community non-profit organizations, societies and municipal organizations to undertake small scale projects that will facilitate the provisions of outreach services to support individuals experiencing homelessness.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to community-based, non-profit organizations and community governments that provide or intend to provide homeless supportive services or programs.

3. Review

Eligible applicants can submit proposals for homeless supportive services or programs based upon a recognized need in their community. Departmental staff will review the proposal and make a recommendation to the Director, Poverty Reduction.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposal objectives, the proposed budget (revenues and expenditures, including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project. The proposal must demonstrate community support and partnerships.

5. Accountability

An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures and client usage of facilities and services and programming supports provided to clients. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the Contribution Agreement. Contribution Agreements will also include a monitoring and evaluation component.

6. Amount

The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$500,000. Funding levels of specific projects will depend on the nature of the project, eligible expenses and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all contributions cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly.

7. Payment

Contributions will be paid in installments as outlined in the terms of the Conditional Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

Contributions have a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years.



SCHEDULE A - 3 POVERTY REDUCTION INITIATIVES

1. Purpose

Contribution funding may be provided to support community-driven initiatives engaged in poverty reduction that accord with the *Collaboration for Poverty Reduction Act, The Makimaniq Plan* and the Five-Year Poverty Reduction Action Plan.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to community organizations, municipal corporations and businesses that undertake initiatives to reduce poverty in Nunavut; or promote collaboration for the implementation of *The Makimaniq Plan* and the Five-Year Poverty Reduction Action Plan prepared by the Nunavut Roundtable for Poverty Reduction.

3. Review

Applications will be reviewed by the Nunavut Roundtable for Poverty Reduction Review Committee who will make a recommendation to the Director, Poverty Reduction or Deputy Minister, according to the necessary level of signing authority.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal will include a description of the project, an outline of the project objectives and expected results, the proposed budget (revenues and expenditures, including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project. The proposal should also demonstrate community support.

5. Accountability

An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures and client usage of facilities and services and programming supports provided to clients. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the Contribution Agreement. Contribution Agreements will also include a monitoring and evaluation component.

6. Amount

The amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is set out in the Contribution Agreement between the recipient and the Government of Nunavut in compliance to the provisions required in General (c, f) and Financial Conditions of this policy. Funding levels of specific projects will depend on the nature of the project, eligible expenses and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all contributions cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly. Apart from budget approved by the Legislative Assembly, Vote 4 funding is received from the Northern Wellness Agreement. The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$500,000.

7. Payment

Contributions will be paid in installments as outlined in the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

Contributions have a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. Multi-year projects are subject to an availability of funds and an appropriate budget being approved by Revised: August 10, 2023 Page **11** of **35** Date of Expiry: March 31, 2027



the Poverty Reduction Round table.



SCHEDULE A – 4

FOOD SECURITY INITIATIVES

1. Purpose

Contribution funding may be provided to support community-driven initiatives engaged in food security initiatives that accord with the *Collaboration for Poverty Reduction Act, The Makimaniq Plan* and the Five-Year Poverty Reduction Action Plan.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to community organizations, municipal corporations and businesses that undertake initiatives to support food security in Nunavut. There are two levels of eligibility for this funding:

- 1. Up to \$100,000 in funding for food security programs that provide food to Nunavummiut. This can include food delivery programs, soup kitchen programs or food bank programs, or similar. These programs may or may not include a physical space.
- 2. Up to \$250,000 in funding for food centres that provide multiple food-related services and programs and have a dedicated space for public access. This may include programs that include space for activities, provide respite, and *innunguiniq* programs, or similar.

3. Review

Applications will be reviewed by the Nunavut Food Security Coalition who will make a recommendation to the Director, Poverty Reduction or Deputy Minister, according to the necessary level of signing authority.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal will include a description of the project, an outline of the project objectives and expected results, the proposed budget (revenues and expenditures, including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project. The proposal should also demonstrate community support. The proposal should also explain how they meet the eligibility criteria for the funding amount they are requesting.

5. Accountability

An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures and client usage of facilities and services and programming supports provided to clients. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the Contribution Agreement. Contribution Agreements will also include a monitoring and evaluation component.

6. Amount

The amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is set out in the conditional Contribution Agreement between the recipient and the Government of Nunavut in compliance to the provisions required in General (c, f) and Financial Conditions of this policy. Funding levels of specific projects will depend on the nature of the project, eligible expenses and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all contributions cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly. Apart from budget approved



by the Legislative Assembly Vote 4 funding is received from the Northern Wellness Agreement. The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$500,000.

7. Payment

Contributions will be paid in installments as outlined in the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

9. Term

Contributions have a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. Multi-year projects are subject to an availability of funds and an appropriate budget being approved by the Nunavut Food Security Coalition.



SCHEDULE A – 5 FAMILY VIOLENCE SHELTER PROGRAM

1. Purpose

Provides contribution funding to community governments and Non-Profit Organizations that provide and maintain family violence shelter facilities that accommodate and protect adults and children from physical, sexual and psychological harm.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to non-profit organizations and community governments across Nunavut that provide and maintain shelters for victims of family violence. Family violence shelters include transition houses or shelters, community crisis shelters and safe homes.

3. Review

Community governments and non-profit organizations submit proposals for family violence shelters based upon a recognized need in their community. The department then conducts a cost benefit analysis to determine if the shelter, transition house, or safe home is viable. Applications are reviewed by the Family Wellness Division. The Regional Director, Family Wellness will make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister.

4. Supporting Data

All proposals must meet the minimum standards and eligibility standards and requirements for the operation of shelter facilities within Nunavut. Facilities must also meet the necessary approvals by regulatory, municipal and other authorities. This may include meeting health and safety standards, support from community or regional councils, or any other approvals deemed necessary for the project to proceed.

5. Accountability

Recipients of contributions are required to submit monthly occupancy reports and quarterly financial statements prepared in accordance with the budget categories set out in schedules attached to the agreement, showing the actual expenditures and revenues for the programs and services. In addition, the recipient must submit year-end audited financial statements within 90 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year. The government's liability is limited to the amount of funding authorized. As a result, the government will not be responsible for any shortfalls or deficits. If the required financial accounting is not submitted the recipient may not be eligible for further funding until the required financial statements indicating that the contribution was expended are submitted or the amount unaccounted for is repaid.

6. Amount

The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$2,000,000. The amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is set out in the conditional Contribution Agreement between the recipient and the Government of Nunavut in compliance to the provisions required in General (c, f) and Financial Conditions of this policy. Funding levels depend on the number of clients, the size and cost of operating the facility and funding available from other sources; however total combined contributions cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly.



7. Payment

Contributions will be paid in installments as outlined in the terms of the conditional Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

Contributions are one-time only with a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years.



SCHEDULE A - 6 QULLIIT NUNAVUT STATUS OF WOMEN COUNCIL

1. Purpose

Provides core contribution funding to the Qulliit Nunavut Status of Women Council in order to meet the requirements of the *Qulliit Nunavut Status of Women Council Act.*

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to the Qulliit Nunavut Status of Women Council.

3. Review

The Council submits their proposed budget to the department on an annual basis. Applications are reviewed by the Family Wellness Division. The Regional Director, Family Wellness will make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister for final approval.

4. Supporting Data

A completed proposal for core funding is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the Council's goals and objectives, the proposed budget (including revenues and expenditures) and an expenditure timeline.

5. Accountability

The Council is required to submit an annual report and a year-end audited financial statement including an audited schedule of revenue and expenses within 90 days of the end of the fiscal year, as stipulated by the *Qulliit Nunavut Status of Women Council Act*. The format, content and deadlines for reports will be detailed in the Contribution Agreement. Contribution Agreements will also include measurement of deliverables in order to evaluate effectiveness.

6. Amount

The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$500,000 in compliance to the provisions required in General (c, f) and Financial Conditions of this policy. The funding level is based on the proposal's proposed activities and objectives. The total cannot exceed the budget appropriation that is published in the Main Estimates on a fiscal year basis. Funding of a multi-year project in the second or subsequent years may be provided if the agreed conditions have been met.

7. Payment

Contribution payments will be paid in quarterly installments as outlined in the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

Contributions provide core funding, subject to a reporting and accountability period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years.



SCHEDULE A - 7 RICK HANSEN INSTITUTE

1. Purpose

Provides contribution funding to the Rick Hansen Institute to support Nunavummiut with spinal cord injuries and other disabilities.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to the Rick Hansen Institute.

3. Review

The Institute submits their proposed annual budget to the department, based on recommendations from a "Solutions Team". The Team is chaired by the Workplace Adversity Office of the Government of Nunavut, which is comprised of members who are volunteer experts from the spinal cord injury and other mobility impairments community. Applications are reviewed by the Family Wellness Division and make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister for final approval.

4. Supporting Data

A multi-year Contribution Agreement has been signed with the Rick Hansen Institute.

5. Accountability

The Rick Hansen Institute provides the department with a program activity report at the end of the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year. The activity report describes the individual projects that were funded during the year. In addition, a financial statement is required within 90 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year. In instances where the required financial accounting is not submitted, the recipient may not be eligible for further funding until the required financial statements indicating that the contribution was appropriately expended are submitted, or any amount unaccounted for is repaid.

6. Amount

The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$20,000. The Government of Nunavut's liability is limited to the amount of funding authorized. The Government of Nunavut is not responsible for any expenses incurred in excess of the amounts set out in the original or amended schedules. As a result, the government will not be responsible for any shortfalls or deficits incurred by the recipient.

7. Payment

The contribution payment will be made in a lump sum.

8. Term

The contribution has a reporting and accountability period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years.



SCHEDULE A-8 NUNAVUMMI DISABILITIES MAKINNASUAQTIIT SOCIETY

1. Purpose

Provides core contribution funding to the Nunavummi Disabilities Makinnasuaqtiit Society to allow the Society to represent the interests of persons with disabilities in Nunavut.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to the Nunavummi Disabilities Makinnasuaqtiit Society.

3. Review

The Society submits their proposed budget and work plan to the department on an annual basis. The budget is reviewed by departmental staff who then make recommendations to the Deputy Minister of Family Services who has final funding approval.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposal objectives, the proposed budget (revenues and expenditures, including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project.

5. Accountability

The Nunavummi Disabilities Makinnasuaqtiit Society provides the department with a program activity report at the end of the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year. The activity report describes the individual projects that were funded during the year. In addition, a financial statement is required within 90 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year.

6. Amount

The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$200,000 in compliance to the provisions required in General (c, f) and Financial Conditions of this policy. The funding level is based on the proposal's proposed activities and objectives. The total cannot exceed the budget appropriation that is published in the Main Estimates on a fiscal year basis.

7. Payment

Contribution payments will be paid in quarterly installments as outlined in the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

Contributions provide core funding, subject to a reporting and accountability period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years.



SCHEDULE A – 9 YOUTH INITIATIVES FUNDING

1. Purpose

Provides contribution funding to community non-profit organizations and municipal corporations that direct their efforts on creating safe, youth transitional housing and overnight shelters. Funding may be used to staff existing centers for overnight support to youth and/or support the operation and maintenance costs of these centers to provide crisis shelter service or programming to youth in need.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to community non-profit organizations, and municipal corporations.

3. Review

Applications are reviewed by the Department of Family Services, Family Wellness Division. The Regional Director, Family Wellness will make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister for final approval. Feedback will be provided to the proponents and the proposal may need to be re-submitted after modification.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposed objectives, the proposed budget (including revenues and expenditures) and a timeline for the completion of the project.

5. Accountability

An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures, client usage of facilities and services and programming supports provided to clients. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding for youth crisis shelter initiatives shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the Contribution Agreement. Contribution Agreements will also include a monitoring and evaluation component.

6. Amount

The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$200,000. Funding levels of specific projects depend on the nature of the project and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all Contribution Agreements cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly.

7. Payment

Contributions will be paid in installments as outlined in the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

A Contribution Agreement provides operational funding and is subject to a reporting and accountability period from April 1 to March 31 of each year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years.



SCHEDULE A-10 INCOME ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS

1. Purpose

The Income Assistance Program is a program intended to help Nunavut families and individuals meet their basic needs when, for various reasons, they are unable to provide for themselves.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility for income assistance is governed by ss. 1.1, s 2 to 7 and 13 of the Income Assistance Act Regulations.

3. Review

Each applicant must complete an application form for assistance and an in-person interview with an Income Assistance Worker. Applicants may be assessed on a schedule jointly agreed upon with an Income Assistance Worker in their home community to determine eligibility. The applications are reviewed against standard eligibility criteria based on income and need as set out in the Income Assistance Regulations. All clients have the right of Appeal as per the terms set out in the Income Assistance Act Regulations.

4. Supporting Data

A complete application including a Personal Data Record, Statement of Authorization and Intent, and Assessment form is submitted to the department. Funding is available according to the Basic Allowance Table, room and board, accommodations, and fuel and utilities allowances. Extended benefits such as incidental allowance, expenses incidental to education and training, household furnishings and equipment, damage deposits and emergency assistance are subject to various levels of approval and reviewed against eligibility standards.

5. Accountability

Recipients may be assessed on a schedule jointly agreed upon with an in person meeting by an Income Assistance Officer. They are required to demonstrate their participation in a Productive Choice Program and confirm any changes in income and family structure. Approval of future entitlements is contingent upon this assessment of need.

6. Amount

The level of assistance depends on the needs of the individual applicant within the limits set out in Schedule B of the Income Assistance Act Regulations, and Schedule A in the Income Assistance Reguations amendment, R-006-2023, and will be provided as money, goods or services, or any combination of them.

7. Payment

Payments may be made bi-weekly or on a monthly basis. Timing of payments may be adjusted due to client situations. Any emergency payment requests over specified limits established through policy are subject to approval by the Director of Income Assistance.

8. Term

The budget has a reporting and accountability period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. Assistance payments are made monthly, with a corresponding monthly reporting period



and full client update at the beginning of each calendar year.



SCHEDULE A-11 SENIOR CITIZEN SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFIT

1. Purpose

Provides financial support to low-income seniors to assist them with the high cost of living in Nunavut.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is set out in sections 3 and 4 of the *Senior Citizens' Benefits Act* and is contingent on eligibility for the Guaranteed Income Supplement or Allowance from the Government of Canada.

Seniors are eligible for the benefit if they are:

- Residents of Nunavut; and either,
- 65 years of age or over, and receive the Guaranteed Income Supplement from the Government of Canada; or
- 60-84 years of age and receive the Allowance from the Government of Canada and their spouse receives the Guaranteed Income Supplement.
- The filing of yearly income tax returns is integral in the eligibility process for this entitlement.

3. Review

The Income Assistance Division review applications based on the eligibility criteria set out by the Government of Canada.

4. Supporting Data

The Government of Canada provides the department with data on a monthly basis that is matched against the department's files. Supporting data includes the client's Social Insurance Number, age and benefit information.

5. Accountability

Financial records are maintained by the department for the *Senior Citizen Supplementary Benefit* and accounted for as per the *Financial Administration Act* and Financial Administration Manual requirements.

6. Amount

Funding levels are set out in Amount of Benefit Regulation R.R.N.W.T. 1990, c.S-7.

7. Payment

The delivery of the benefit is done via a merged payment process established between the Government of Nunavut, Human Resources and Skills Development Canada and Public Works and Government Services Canada. Recipients receive payments monthly in a cheque that includes the Senior Citizens' Benefit, Old Age Security and the Guaranteed Income Supplement. Dates for payment are established by the Government of Canada.

8. Term

The established benefit amount is ongoing and paid monthly as long as the individual is eligible for the federal Guaranteed Income Supplement Allowance from the Government of Canada.

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SCHEDULE A-12 SENIORS FUEL SUBSIDY

1. Purpose

This program supports seniors in Nunavut by providing a subsidy to help offset the high cost of heating fuel. The program reimburses eligible homeowners for fuel costs up to a specified maximum number of liters.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to seniors who meet the following requirements: they must be 60 years of age or older and reside in Nunavut; they must own the home in which they live; they must not be on income support; and they must meet the allowable maximum net homeowner(s)income test for the community in which they live.

3. Review

The Income Assistance Division will review applications for the subsidy to ensure they meet the eligibility criteria.

4. Supporting Data

An applicant is assessed on the homeowner(s) net income and benefits are determined based on the community in which the applicant lives.

5. Accountability

PPD will bill Family Services directly for payment of fuel for those who are eligible for the program.

6. Amount

Homeowner(s) with a total net income up to and including \$100,000 may be eligible for a fuel subsidy. The subsidy is for 4000L of fuel. Eligible seniors are reimbursed full costs up to the maximum number of litres allowed under the program.

7. Payment

The Department of Family Services, Income Assistance, and Community & Government Services, Petroleum Products Division are coordinating delivery and payment of fuel for those who are eligible for the program. Seniors who are eligible for the program will no longer be required to turn in receipts. PPD arranges for fuel delivery and invoicing and Income Assistance Division will process the payments.

8. Term

The established benefit amount is paid during the year.



SCHEDULE A- 13 DAYCARE USER SUBSIDIES

1. Purpose

This program provides a daycare subsidy to assist families to make day care more affordable. The subsidy helps pay for some or all of the applicant's daycare costs.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to applicants who reside in Nunavut and who meet the following requirements: they must be enrolled in high school, an adult education program or be employed, combined income of \$100,000 or less; they must complete a financial means test; and provide actual costs for day care in their community.

3. Review

Income Assistance staff review an applicant's income test and proof of enrollment in high school, adult education program or employment. The income test includes spouse's income and their basic needs.

4. Supporting Data

Applicants complete an income test and provide proof of enrollment in high school, an adult education program or employment.

5. Accountability

Applicants are required to show proof of their monthly school or work attendance each month, as well as confirmation of their child's attendance at daycare. Applicants must report any changes that might affect their eligibility.

6. Amount

The amount provided to the recipient is based on eligibility as per the Day Care User Subsidy guidelines and/or actual daycare costs: capped at \$2,500/month/child.

7. Payment

Payments are made on a monthly basis.

8. Term

The established daycare user subsidy amount is paid on a monthly basis. The budget is established annually.



SCHEDULE A - 14 COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING

1. Purpose

This program provides contribution funding to the council of a settlement or municipal corporation or a body that the Minister recognizes as a representative of a community or region ("Local Authority") for the sole purpose of providing assistance and support programs to Nunavummiut in need, as defined in ss. 1 and 5.1 of the *Income Assistance Act* and s.1.3 of the Income Assistance Regulations.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility for assistance is governed by sections 1.1, 2 to 7 and 13 of the Income Assistance Regulations.

3. Review

The Local Authority must deliver the Income Assistance Programs as established by the *Income Assistance Act and the Income Assistance Regulations*. Applications are reviewed by the Income Assistance Division in accordance with this legislation. The Regional Director, Income Assistance will make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister for final approval.

4. Supporting Data

Local Authority will ensure that accurate and proper records are maintained on all case work and financial transactions, in accordance with the *Income Assistance Act, Income Assistance Regulations* and the *Financial Administration Act*, and as the GN directs so as to enable proper program review and financial audits.

5. Accountability

Financial records are maintained by the department for the Community Capacity Building Benefit and accounted for as per the *Financial Administration Act* and the Financial Administration Manual requirements.

6. Amount

Funding levels are set out in Amount of Benefit Regulation R.R. N.W.T. 1990, c. S-7.

7. Payment

The Local Authority shall deliver the Income Assistance Programs and Services in accordance with the *Income Assistance Act*, the *Income Assistance Regulations*, the *Financial Administration Act*, Directives of the GN and the GN's Manuals. The Local Authority shall provide financial assistance to persons in need, in appropriate amounts for specified need as defined in the *Income Assistance Act* and *the* Income Assistance Regulations.

8. Term

The budget has a reporting and accountability period from April 1, to March 31 of each fiscal year. Assistance payments are made monthly, with a corresponding monthly reporting period and full client update at the beginning of each calendar year.



SCHEDULE A - 15 NON- PROFIT CAPITAL SOCIAL WELLNESS

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Non-profit-Profit Capital fund is to support capital projects initiated by local social wellness focused Non-Profit Organizations working to address core operational gaps.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility for the capital fund is limited to non-profit-profit organizations (or municipalities in communities where no social wellness focused not-for-profits exist) whose work aligns with the Department of Family Services mandate and contributes to the outcomes of the Makimaniq Plan.

There are three levels of eligibility:

i). Established organizations would be eligible for up to \$500,000. To be considered established, an organization must have:

- existed for a minimum of 5 years;
- o developed a strategic plan;
- o no significant concerns identified through previous year audits;
- completed feasibility, building condition assessments or business plans for the capital project

ii). Growing organizations would be eligible for up to \$250,000. To be considered growing, an organization must have:

- existed for a minimum of 2 years;
- o no significant concerns identified through previous year audits;
- completed feasibility, building condition assessments or business plans for the capital project

iii). A start up organization would be eligible for up to \$100,000 on the basis of a project proposal.

The Deputy Minister may, at their discretion, determine eligibility in a case-by-case circumstantial situation.

3. Eligible Expenses

Projects focused on the purchase, renovation or construction of buildings or equipment are eligible. Funding above \$100,000 will require that the capital investments continue to support social wellness initiatives for a minimum of five years.

4. Review

Project proposals will be reviewed by a committee who will provide recommendations to the Director of Poverty Reduction and the Deputy Minister of Family Services.

5. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposal objectives, the proposed budget (capital expenditure including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project. The proposal must also demonstrate community support and partnerships.

6. Accountability

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An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures, client usage of facilities and services and programming supports provided to clients. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding for emergency homeless shelters or transitional housing shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the Contribution Agreement. Contribution Agreements will also include a monitoring and evaluation component.

7. Amount

The amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is set out in the conditional Contribution Agreement between the recipient and the Government of Nunavut. Funding levels of specific projects depend on the nature of the project, eligible expenses and funding available from other sources; however total combined contributions cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly. The maximum amount that can be awarded to any one organization in any fiscal year is \$500,000.

8. Payment

Contributions will be paid in installments as outlined in the terms of the Contribution Agreement.

9. Term

A Contribution Agreement provides operational funding and is subject to a reporting and accountability period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year. The department may conditionally approve multi-year projects, subject to availability of funds in subsequent years. The program will not exceed the term of the Makimaniq Plan.



SCHEDULE A - 16 REBEKAH UQI WILLIAMS SOCIAL WORK SCHOLARSHIP

1. Purpose

This scholarship in honour of Rebekah Uqi Williams is for those Nunavut students pursuing an education in the social work field. The Department will provide five (5) grants to five (5) students pursing an education in social work, per school year, this includes the Nunavut Arctic College's Community Social Services Worker Program and Bachelor of Social Work Programs.

2. Eligibility

Individuals who have been accepted or are currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution to study social work.

3. Review

A working group reviews the applications and makes recommendations to the Territorial Director of Family Wellness. The applicable administrative officer chairs the working group, which is comprised of up to four additional members. The working group meets once per year to review applications. In cases where timelines require a proposed project to be assessed quickly, or the working group has already met, the Territorial Director of Family Wellness may approve or reject the application, subject to the evaluation criteria and available funding.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application is submitted to the Department including:

- proof of Nunavut residency
- proof of enrollment in postsecondary education in social work
- statement of merit stating why the applicant feels they deserve the scholarship and their commitment to working in Nunavut post-graduation.
- minimum of one letter of reference

5. Accountability

Applicants must submit proof of acceptance and enrollment in a post-secondary institution. Recipients must also acknowledge the financial support provided by the Department of Family Services in any publication or media coverage arising from their scholarship.

6. Amount

The maximum grant that can be awarded per recipient is \$10,000. Upon approval, a letter will be forwarded to the applicant outlining the approved amount, payment and accountability procedures. The Government's liability is limited to the amount of funding authorized. As a result, the Government will not be responsible for any shortfalls or deficits.

7. Payment

One payment will be issued per student, per school year.



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SCHEDULE B - 1 WOMEN'S INITIATIVES GRANTS

1. Purpose

Provides grants to individuals, community non-profit organizations and municipal corporations that direct their efforts to promoting women's empowerment in Nunavut. The focus of the grants program will be on providing funding for projects that promote women's leadership skills, employability, economic self-sufficiency, wellness, self-reliance and traditional knowledge.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to individuals, community non-profit organizations, and municipal corporations.

3. Review

Applications are reviewed by the Family Wellness Division. The Regional Director, Family Wellness will make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister for final approval.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposed objectives, the proposed budget (including revenues and expenditures) and a timeline for the completion of the project.

5. Accountability

The recipient will be required to submit a report outlining the benefits achieved, compared to the expectations indicated in the proposal within 90 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year. Approval of future grants will be contingent upon receipt of this report.

6. Amount

Funding levels of specific projects depend on the nature of the project and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all grants cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly. The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$100,000.

7. Payment

The payment will be made in a lump sum, or by installment, depending on the project scope and funding needs of the recipient.

8. Term

The grants are one-time only, with a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year.



SCHEDULE B - 2 MEN AND BOYS INITIATIVES GRANTS

1. Purpose

Provides grants to individuals, community non-profit organizations and municipal corporations that direct their efforts to providing ongoing services for men and boys of all ages or develop new initiatives to target the specific needs of boys and young men between the ages of 15-24.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to individuals, community non-profit organizations, and municipal corporations.

3. Review

Applications are reviewed by the Family Wellness Division. The Regional Director, Family Wellness will make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister for final approval.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposed objectives, the proposed budget (including revenues and expenditures) and a timeline for the completion of the project.

5. Accountability

The recipient will be required to submit a report outlining the benefits achieved, compared to the expectations indicated in the proposal within 90 days of the end of the project or the Government of Nunavut's fiscal year. Approval of future grants will be contingent upon receipt of this report.

6. Amount

Funding levels of specific projects depend on the nature of the project and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all grants cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly. The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$100,000.

7. Payment

The payment will be made in a lump sum, or by installment, depending on the project scope and funding needs of the recipient.

8. Term

The grants are one-time only, with a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year.



SCHEDULE B - 3 HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVES GRANT

1. Purpose

Grants are available to community non-profit organizations, societies and municipal organizations to undertake small scale projects that will facilitate the provisions of outreach services to support individuals experiencing homelessness.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to community non-profit organizations and community governments that provide or intend to provide homeless supportive services or programs.

3. Review

Applications are reviewed by the Poverty Reduction Division. The Regional Director, Poverty Reduction will make a recommendation to the Deputy Minister for final approval.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal is submitted to the department, which includes a description of the project, an outline of the proposal objectives, the proposed budget (revenues and expenditures, including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project. The proposal must demonstrate community support and partnerships.

5. Accountability

An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures and client usage of facilities and services. Successful applicants will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlines in the grant.

6. Amount

Funding levels of specific projects will depend on the nature of the project, eligible expenses and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all grants cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly. The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$200,000.

7. Payment

Payments will be issued in installments, as outlined in the terms of the conditional Contribution Agreement.

8. Term

Grant are one-time only, with a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year.



SCHEDULE B - 4 POVERTY REDUCTION INITIATIVES GRANT

1. Purpose

Grants may be provided to promote collaboration for the *Collaboration for Poverty Reduction Act*, implementation of The Makimaniq Plan and the Five-Year Poverty Reduction Action Plan prepared by the Nunavut Roundtable for Poverty Reduction; and to support community-driven initiatives and initiatives of local networks of community organizations engaged in poverty reduction.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility is restricted to community organizations, municipal corporations and businesses that undertake initiatives to reduce poverty in Nunavut; or promote collaboration for the implementation of The Makimaniq Plan and the Five-Year Poverty Reduction Action Plan prepared by the Nunavut Roundtable for Poverty Reduction.

3. Review

Applications will be reviewed by the Nunavut Roundtable for Poverty Reduction Review Committee who will make a recommendation to the Minister.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application or proposal will include a description of the project, an outline of the project objectives and expected results, the proposed budget (revenues and expenditures, including all sources of funds) and a timeline for the project. The proposal should also demonstrate community support.

5. Accountability

An accountability framework must be used to track expenditures and client usage of facilities and services. Recipients will be expected to provide a final report on the project upon completion. Recipients of funding shall comply with the reporting requirements as outlined in the grant. In instances where the required financial accounting and reporting requirements are not met the recipient is not eligible for further funding from the Poverty Reduction Fund until the required information is provided, or the amount unaccounted for is repaid.

6. Amount

The maximum amount that can be awarded in any fiscal year is \$250,000. Funding levels of specific projects will depend on the nature of the project, eligible expenses and funding available from other sources; however, the total amount of all contributions cannot exceed the appropriation approved by the Legislative Assembly and are subject to the provisions of this policy and will be contingent on compliance with the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement. Apart from budget approved by the Legislative Assembly Vote 4 funding is received from the Northern Wellness Agreement.

7. Payment

Payments will be issued in installments, as outlined in the terms of the grant.

8. Term

Grants are one-time only, with a reporting period from April 1 to March 31 of each fiscal year.

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SCHEDULE B-5 SENIORS BURIAL BENEFIT

1. Purpose

Provides financial support to bereaved families in covering the burial costs of Senior Citizens/Elders across Nunavut.

2. Eligibility

Eligibility for this funding is restricted to families of residents of Nunavut, being buried in Nunavut, who are 60 years of age or older. Exceptions may be considered for special circumstances requiring approval from the Department's Deputy Head.

3. Review

The Department will have a procedure in place to review eligibility of all applications.

4. Supporting Data

A completed application is submitted to the department. All recipients must provide death certificate and burial invoice for payment processing.

5. Accountability

All recipients must sign authorizing documentation before payment is issued. Agreements may only be signed by Department Officials who have been delegated the appropriate level of signing authority. This Agreement applies to all anticipated payments under the program and any payments that deviate from the program requirements must be approved by the FMB.

6. Amount

An amount of \$6000 is the recommended maximum for burial costs. A tombstone is not included in these costs. Costs covered include:

- preparation of the body
- transportation of the body to the Nunavut community burial site
- the most economical casket available
- grave marker
- administrative fees

7. Payment

All recipients must provide death certificate and burial invoice for payment processing.

8. Term

Grants are one time only.