



Aboriginal Disaster Resilience Project Resources

Information Guide: Nunavut

General Information

Provincial/territorial emergency management organizations coordinate response activities, conduct planning and research, train, administer, and deliver disaster financial assistance programs in their respective province or territory. Funding agreements between emergency management organizations and AANDC help to ensure successful coordinated response and recovery efforts, better clarify roles and responsibilities, and support enhanced preparedness activities, including training and development of more robust community emergency plans for on-reserve First Nations.

For all aboriginal communities not considered as on-reserve First Nations communities, Provincial/Territorial emergency management organizations provide the same level of support as they do any community within their respective jurisdictions. These include Metis, First Nations in settlement areas and Inuit communities

You can use the keywords listed in your internet search engine (Google, Yahoo, Explorer, etc.) to find the information online.

AANDC is currently negotiating provincial/territorial bilateral agreements regarding emergency management service provision for on-reserve First Nations

<https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1324572607784/1324572653216#a2>

Keywords: AANDC National Emergency Management Plan

For general information regarding AANDC's role in emergency management, please contact:

AANDC Public Enquiries Contact Centre

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
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10 Wellington Street, North Tower
Gatineau, Quebec

Postal Address:
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H4

Email: InfoPubs@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca

Phone: (toll-free) 1-800-567-9604

Fax: 1-866-817-3977

TTY: (toll-free) 1-866-553-0554

Nunavut Emergency Management

The Nunavut Emergency Management (NEM) website has all kinds of valuable information about hazards. On the website you will find general contact information to reach emergency management staff who are able to take calls and who will do their best to answer any questions about hazards that you may have.

General Contact	24 Hour Emergency Contact Headquarters
Tel: (867) 975-5403	Tel: (867) 979-6262 or 1 (800) 693-1666
Fax: (867) 979-4221	24 Hour Emergency Contact Kitikmeot Tel: 1 (867) 983-2542
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1000, Station 700, Iqaluit, Nunavut, X0A 0H0	24 Hour Emergency Contact Kivalliq: 1 (867) 645-3625
	24 Hour Emergency Contact Qikiqtaaluk: 1 (888) 624-4043

<http://cgs.gov.nu.ca/en/commEmergency.aspx>

Keywords (copy into search bar): Nunavut Emergency Management contact

The NEM website provides either direct information or links to additional Federal and Territorial disaster resources. In addition to providing direct information or links to alerts and warnings, the NEM website provides hazards information on:

- Spring Travel Safety
- Search and Rescue Operations
- Winter Power Outages
- Severe Storms
- General Outdoor Safety
- Fires

The "Tips and Preparation" webpage has information on emergency preparedness for individuals and families (in English only).

<http://cgs.gov.nu.ca/en/commEmergencyTip.aspx>

Local District Contacts

The website below provides a starting point for identifying local district contacts for your community.

In Nunavut contact information for regional districts is available at

<http://www.gov.nu.ca/contact-us>

Keywords: Nunavut government contact us

The Government of Nunavut has another webpage with contact information for Protection Services

<http://cgs.gov.nu.ca/en/Protection.aspx>

Keywords: Nunavut protection services

Areas and Districts

School Districts

Information about School Districts in Nunavut

<http://www.gov.nu.ca/school-information>

Keywords: Nunavut school information

Electoral Boundaries and Districts

The Government of Nunavut has a map which may be helpful

www.elections.nu.ca/

Keywords: Nunavut elections

Territorial Policing

The First Nations Policing Program (FNPP), is administered by Public Safety Canada

“A First Nations self-administered policing agreement is an arrangement between Canada, the participating province or territory, and the First Nations community. In these arrangements, the First Nation develops, manages and administers its own police service under provincial legislation. Independent police commissions provide for the impartial and independent oversight of police operations, and the police chief is responsible for the management and administration of the service.”¹ As of Feb 22, 2013, over 80% - or 528 of 617 – of the eligible First Nations communities are under the policing program.

Please check with your Band leaders to see if your community is currently participating in the program.

¹Public Safety Canada. (2015). *Trends in Indigenous Policing. Models: An International Comparison*. Retrieved from <http://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/trnds-ndgns-plc-mdl/index-eng.aspx#a5>

Please note that you might still have to find out exactly where the territorial policing boundaries are, but the website gives you contact information.

<http://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/cntrng-crm/plcng/brgnl-plcng/index-eng.aspx>

Keywords: First Nations Policing Program

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) is in charge of territorial policing in Nunavut. Please note that you might still have to find out exactly where the boundaries for territorial policing are, but the website gives you contact information.

You can locate RCMP Detachments in Nunavut at

<http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/nu/detach/index-eng.htm>

Keywords: RCMP detachments Nunavut

Fire Protection Areas

Please note that you might still have to find out exactly where the fire protection boundaries are, but the website gives you contact information.

Nunavut Fire Departments can be contacted for fire protection area information at

<http://www.firehall.com/departments.php?prov=nu>

OR

<http://www.iqaluitfire.com>

Keywords: Nunavut fire department

AANDC has a Frequently Asked Questions page on their website regarding First Nation Fire Protection.

<https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1374066558460/1374066706710>

Keywords: AANDC First Nation fire protection

Territorial Geological Organization

In Nunavut see the Canada-Geoscience Office

<http://cngo.ca/>

OR

<http://nunavutgeoscience.ca/>

Keywords: Nunavut geoscience

Geography - General

The Government of Nunavut has a map which may be helpful

<http://www.elections.nu.ca/apps/authoring/dspPage.aspx?page=map-22>

Keywords: elections Nunavut find your constituenc

Civil Emergency Measures Act

AANDC National Emergency Management Plan

The National Emergency Management Plan of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) lists the roles and responsibilities of the department and its partners in emergency management. It furthermore describes the concept for operations for responding to and managing an emergency affecting First Nation communities across Canada. The Plan is available for download at:

<https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1324572607784/1324572653216>

Keywords: AANDC, Emergency Management Plan

Nunavut: Civil Emergency Measures Act

The legislation which covers disasters in Nunavut is called the Emergency Measures Act

<http://www.canlii.org/en/nu/laws/stat/snu-2007c10/latest/snu-2007c10.html>

Keywords: Nunavut emergency measures act

There are a few definitions and legal requirements under the Act which are important to understand (note that this list is selected from a larger list and the text has, in some cases, been edited for length).

"declaration of a state of emergency" means a declaration made under subsection 11(1)

"emergency" means a present or imminent situation or event that is seriously affecting or could seriously affect the health, safety or welfare of persons or is substantially damaging or could substantially damage property

"Emergency Management Officer" means the Emergency Management Officer appointed under subsection 20(1)

"emergency management program" means a program, plan, arrangement or other measure for the following mitigation of hazards that may cause emergencies, prevention of emergencies, preparedness for emergencies, response to emergencies, mitigation of the effects of emergencies, recovery from emergencies

"government institution" means a department of the Government of Nunavut and a public agency, within the meaning of the Financial Administration Act

"municipal emergency management coordinator" means a municipal emergency management coordinator designated under subsection 22(1)

For the purposes of this Act, references to a municipal corporation are deemed to include references to a settlement corporation and references to a municipal council are deemed to include references to the council of a settlement corporation. For the purposes of this Act, where a community or settlement is not a municipal corporation, the Minister may designate a body as representative of the community or settlement and that body is deemed to be a municipal corporation and municipal council.

Thus, even if your community or settlement is not a municipal corporation, provisions are made for the establishment of a body as a representative of the community or settlement by the Minister

and that body is deemed to be a municipal corporation and municipal council. Further, every municipal council:

6(1) shall identify the risks of an emergency occurring in the community, the risks to the community that may be caused by an emergency, and in the case of a body designated under subsection 1(3), the risks to a neighbouring community that may be caused by an emergency; and do the following in accordance with the policies, criteria and other measures established by the Minister: prepare an emergency management program in respect of those risks, maintain, test and implement the program, conduct exercises and training in relation to the program

6(2) A municipal council shall include in an emergency management program: any program, arrangement or other measure to provide for the continuity of the operations of the municipal corporation in the event of an emergency; and any other information required by the Minister.

Community History

The Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK) is an organization that represents Inuit communities in Canada. You can find more historical information and resources on their website.

<https://www.itk.ca/>

Keywords: Inuit Nunavut

Territorial archives are a great place to search for early history on your community – it may be a bit confusing to access information at first, so take some time to get orientated to each website.

<http://www.cdncouncilarchives.ca/nunavut.html>

Keywords: Nunavut Archives

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The Government of Nunavut Community and Government Services Department has a website which may be helpful.

<http://cgs.gov.nu.ca/en/community.aspx>

Keywords: Nunavut community government services

General Territorial Statistics

You can find statistics on the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics website

<http://www.stats.gov.nu.ca/en/home.aspx>

Keywords: Nunavut bureau of statistics

Supplemental Territorial Hazards Information

Wildfires and Forest Fires

<http://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/hzd/wldfrs-eng.aspx>

Keywords: Nunavut wildfires forest fire

Floods

<http://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/hzd/flds-eng.aspx>

Keywords: Nunavut floods preparedness