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Completion of the Whatì Community Housing Plan

[January 30, 2020], [Yellowknife, Northwest Territories] - The Honourable Paulie Chinna, Minister Responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation (NWT HC) and Homelessness along with Chief Alfonz Nitsiza are pleased to announce the completion of the first Community Housing Plan in Whatì.

On December 17, Minister Chinna along with leadership from Community Government, Chief and Council, the Tłı̨ch̨ Government and the NWT Housing Corporation met to finalize and celebrate the completion of the Whatì Community Housing Plan.

The GNWT is committed to working closely with the Tłı̨ch̨ Government, the Community Government of Whatì, and all other partners to ensure that meaningful action results from the development of this Community Housing Plan.

Quotes

“There is recognition across jurisdictions in Canada that the delivery of effective government housing programs and services requires more than efficient rent collection and housing maintenance. Improving housing in the NWT requires additional partnerships, leadership collaboration and to leverage precious resources.” – ***Paulie Chinna, Minister Responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation and Homelessness***

“The Whatì Community Housing Plan is an important step in this process to strengthen the trust and relationships between communities and the Territorial government. I am pleased to see that the GNWT is recognizing the importance of community knowledge and decision making in meeting our housing needs.” – ***Alfonz Nitsiza, Chief of the Whatì Community Government***

Quick Facts

- Community Housing Plans represent a comprehensive, holistic, partnership approach to tackle the factors that contribute to the long-standing and complex issues affecting housing and tenants in our communities today.
- Housing Plans will guide and support community housing aspirations and are reflective of community realities and perspectives.
- These Housing Plans will be a tool leadership can use to engage private business and all levels of governments on important investments in housing as well as to form potential partnerships for further planning to improve housing for the generations to come.

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- The Northwest Territories Housing Corporation (NWT HC) supplies of affordable, adequate and suitable housing to meet the needs of Northwest Territories residents. The NWT HC conducts its business throughout the housing continuum, which include homelessness supports, social housing, homeownership supports, and homeownership repair and market rentals. For more information, please call 1-844-NWT-HOME (1-844-698-4663) or visit www.nwthc.ca.

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