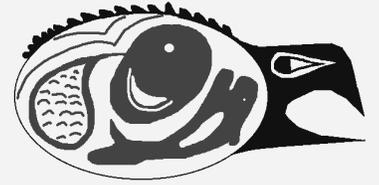


NATIVE PEOPLE OF THUNDER BAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION



FALL / WINTER INFORMATION FOR TENANTS 2022

HELPING TO HOUSE NATIVE FAMILIES
SINCE 1973

Reminder—Calendar Parking returns with the winter weather, starting November 15th

UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSURES:

NOV 11 - Remembrance Day
DEC 23 - Christmas holiday
DEC 26 - Boxing Day
Jan 2 - New year holiday

*Remember to turn back your clocks on
November 6th when Daylight Savings Time ends.*

*DID YOU KNOW... on July 1st in 1908, a little town
called Port Arthur, Ontario was the first city in the
world to enact Daylight Saving time.*



As we head into the Christmas holiday season, we would like to remind all Tenants to please be courteous and respectful of your neighbours.

General Noise Prohibition states: it is an offence for a person to make, cause or permit the making of noise within Thunder Bay that is likely to disturb the inhabitants of Thunder Bay.

Please remember that:

- persistent noise is prohibited at all times
- yelling, shouting, and loud voices are prohibited from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. (9:00 a.m. on Sundays)

PREVENTING RODENTS - TIPS FOR THE WINTER MONTHS

Eliminate possible points of entry

Mice and rats can squeeze through incredibly tight spaces. Therefore, to make it difficult for them to enter your home, you should seal any openings that are more than a quarter-inch in size. Look for gaps around windows, doors or dryer vents and cracks in the building's foundation or loose sidings.

Keep your kitchen clean and tidy

If you leave food scraps lying around in your kitchen, you will attract mice, rats and other pests. You should also keep pet food and other dried goods in tightly sealed metal or glass containers that rodents cannot chew through.

Investigate your landscaping

Rats and mice may gain access to your attic or eaves by climbing onto tree branches hanging close to your roof. That is why you should be sure to keep trees and shrubs trimmed as the winter approaches.

Make your home less appealing to rodents

Secure garbage in containers with tight-fitting lids and place them away from your home. Do not store wood piles against the building's foundation and remove unused clutter from around the house and shed, as these all provide cozy nesting sites for rodents.

If you think you may have an infestation of mice or rats, call the office and speak with the Maintenance Clerk.



Mission Statement

The Native People of Thunder Bay Development Corporation is committed to providing safe, affordable, quality housing to low-income Aboriginal families and Seniors living in the city of Thunder Bay.

Aims and Objectives

To promote the economic and social welfare of low income persons of Aboriginal descent.

To establish, maintain and operate affordable housing for people of low income as defined by the National Housing Act.

To inform the public of the need for affordable housing.

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CHECK AND REPLACE YOUR FURNACE FILTERS

Now is the time to change the filters; if you are short of furnace filters, please call our office and speak with the Maintenance Clerk.

DID YOU KNOW...

Statistically, furnace rooms are the most neglected area in the home despite the fact that they house vital equipment.

OUTSIDE TAPS

To prevent pipes from freezing and/or splitting during the cold winter months, make sure the outside water tap is turned off.

Follow below steps to ensure taps are prepped:

- ⇒ Close the shut off valve located inside your home - in the majority of units it will be located in the basement near the outside tap
- ⇒ Allow any water from the line to drain away by simply opening the outside tap again. Once all water is drained onto the ground, turn off the tap.



WINTER COLD AND STORMS ARE NO JOKE!

Winter weather conditions in Canada can quickly become dangerous with little or no warning. Winter storms and excessive cold claim over 100 lives each year in this country. That is more than the combined number of deaths caused by hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, extreme heat and lightning each year.

GOING AWAY FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON...

If you are going away on a trip and your home will be vacant for some time, you must inform our office - contact either Maintenance Clerk or the Tenant Relations Worker assigned to your unit.

Please remember, as part of your lease agreement, you are not allowed to sublet your unit.

Do not invite theft or vandalism by leaving your home unattended or unlocked. Ask a close friend or family member to check your unit on a regular basis.

Check to ensure that there are no water leaks from faucets and/or water tank, and make sure that your furnace or heating sources are not turned down too low so that water pipes freeze (and burst).

Arrange to have your driveway and walkways cleared of snow by a friend or family member. Snow clearing services may be completed by our office with advanced notice, however please be reminded that it will be charged back to your household ledger for you to pay.

FALL & WINTER FUN FACTS

New delicacy, the maple leaf

In Japan, you can essentially taste the Fall season itself by nibbling on crispy tempura-fried maple leaves. The delicacy is called *momiji* and it's typically served in Minoh City, Osaka.

Scotland has over 400 words for "snow"!

Some examples: *sneesl* (to start raining or snowing); *feefle* (to swirl); *flinkdrinkin* (a light snow).

Ancient people had Halloween costumes?

The Celtic tradition believed that ghosts roamed the earth on Halloween. By wearing a disguise, or costume, it would help you hide from these spirits.

Turkeys can Blush?

When turkeys are scared or excited—like when the males see a female they're interested in—the pale skin on their head and neck turns bright red, blue, or white.

Snow can be different colours

Most people believe that snow is white - or gray after it gets dirty - but, snow can be a variety of colours. In fact, according to The Old Farmer's Almanac, snow is actually colourless, and it's dust or algae that can make it appear purple, orange, or green.

Winter increases your appetite

Do you find that you're hungrier when it's cold outside? Well, that's because, when it's cold, your body needs to work harder to keep your temperature at a comfortable level, which requires more energy to burn.

