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The Kivalliq Inuit Association supports affected communities with COVID-19

The Hamlet of Arviat receives an additional $660,000 in food security funding

RANKIN INLET, NU – January 29, 2021 – The Kivalliq Inuit Association (KivIA) has reprofiled support funding from the Indigenous Services fund from the Federal Government and through Nunavut Tunngavik Inc to provide an additional $660,000 to the Hamlet of Arviat. There was a resurgence of active COVID-19 cases in Arviat and this funding will help the community as they cope with the effects of COVID-19 including ensuring that residents are provided aid to strengthen their food security initiatives.

The KivIA previously provided $1,100,000 in December of 2020 with the funding received from the Indigenous Services Fund.

“The KivIA encourage everyone to stay safe in Arviat, remain vigilant in your fight against COVID-19. We hope this additional support will help to stop the spread.” said KIA President, Kono Tattuinee.

The Kivalliq Inuit Association *is a "Designated Inuit Organization" (DIO), which represents the interests of all Inuit living in the Kivalliq Region, acts as a lobbying group, administers and monitors certain provisions of the Nunavut Final Agreement in the Kivalliq Region. The KivIA mission is to represent, in a fair and democratic manner, Inuit of the Kivalliq Region in the development, protection, administration and advancement of their rights and benefits as an aboriginal people; as well as to promote their economic, social, political and cultural well-being through succeeding generations.*

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