



**REGIONAL AND
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT
Department**

**ACTIVITY REPORT
SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2021**

A. REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Nunavik Elders

Prix-Hommage-Aînés (Tribute Award)

The Nunavik Elders' Committee proposed nomination of Elijah Grey of Kangirsuk to receive the 2021 Quebec Tribute Award. Elders' Secretariat of the Ministry of Health and Social Services received the nomination and the Minister responsible of the Elders' Secretariat confirmed the nomination early in November. The covid province-wide precautions prevents unnecessary travel (non essential travel) and restricts ways to acknowledge winning seniors through virtual means, when possible. The Member of Quebec National Assembly (the MNA) would represent Minister Marguerite Blais in this event.

Events

The Executive Committee approved funding for the following events:

- International Day of Older Persons: for each Northern Village, funding was transferred for a total of \$24,000 for local activities

- The 24th Nunavik Elders' Conference-Inukjuak: an amount of \$107,423.33 (68.9% of event costs)

B. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Business start-up and expansion

The following are lists of business development projects and business advisory services that the department offices in Kuujuaq, Salluit and Inukjuak worked on for the period. Some files which were previously reported carry over in this report since they are awaiting promoters' input or other research to be completed.

<u>Sector/Business Activity</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Status</u>
-Moorhouse Logistics & Expediting	Inukjuak	Completed
-Commercial rental space infrastructure	Quaqtaq	Business plan and financing discussions.

C. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT

Project	Sector	Status
1. Kuujjuamiut Inc. thermal response test and analysis, Kuujjuaq Forum	Community service	completed
2. Nunavik 14 local economies with University of Quebec-Montreal (UQAM). Delayed till municipal elections are completed.	economic and local planning	underway

D. SOCIAL ECONOMY

The Department received a funding agreement 2021-2024 to fund social (collective enterprises) support and activities. The yearly funding of \$110,000 from Quebec Ministry of Economy and Innovation in addition to KRG's \$75,000 yearly funding will provide Nunavik collective enterprises to benefit from business start-up, expansion and or increase performance through acquired new sectoral knowledge.

E. YOUTH

The Executive Committee approved an amount of \$5,000 in sponsorship of Qarjuit Youth Council AGM held in Chisasibi last September.

F. FEDERAL FUNDING TO ASSIST MICRO BUSINESSES AND ECONOMIC SECTORS

The KRG received federal funding to Nunavik micro businesses and local economic sectors to recover from slowing down of commercial activities, The following is the planned distribution of these funds:

Sectors

1) Arts	\$221,291.00	15.15%
2) Hotels and lodging premises	\$270,000.00	18.50%
3) Interpreters and translators	\$ 34,000.00	2.33%
4) Local transportation	\$ 21,000.00	1.44%
5) Restaurants	\$ 60,000.00	4.11%
6) Clothing production	\$170,000.00	11.65%
7) Traditional economy:Fishing, Hunting	\$170,000.00	11.65%
8) Nunavik Inuit art sector	\$142,766.00	9.78%
9) Tourism sector	<u>\$370,750.00</u>	<u>25.40%</u>
	\$1,459,807.00	100.00%

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