

Akulivik

Community Development Plan

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INTRODUCTION

Our Location

The community of Akulivik is located at 60°48' north latitude north and 78°12' west longitude. The average temperature in Akulivik is 7° C during spring and summer times; and -30° C during December, January and February. The average precipitation is 400 mm of snow every year.

Akulivik is situated in Hudson Bay in Northern Quebec.

Akulivik is in the

The community nearest to Akulivik is Puvirnituq which is 100 kilometres away to the south. Also to the North/east 180 kilometres away is Ivujivik.

The distance from Kuujuarapik to Akulivik is 650 km; and from Montreal to Akulivik is 1,850 km.

Our Community

Akulivik is the 8th largest community in Nunavik with about 437 beneficiaries living here.

The predominant religion is Anglican.

People have camping sites for their cabins and where they fish and hunt during the summer and autumn. We also get sealift and berries during that time so it's the busiest time of the year for almost everybody in the community. It's also a time to build structures so local carpenters and labours are hired.

And during the winter, children are in school.

History Notes of Akulivik

Akulivik Co-op was renovated in 1993, but it had been constructed in 1976. And in 1992, Co-op Hotel was constructed with 7 rooms and 14 beds.

The school was constructed in 1985. The student population is 145 of kindergarten in kindergarten, primary and secondary levels. The highest level is Secondary 5. We have a school bus with the seating capacity of .

Main Buildings and Infrastructures

Municipal office,
Arena,
Community centre,
CNV trailer,
Municipal and housing warehouses,
Municipal garages,
Waterplant,
Water reservoir,
Fire hall,
Ski-doo shop,
Freezer,
FM station,
Anglican church,
Women's auxiliary old church,
Co-op store and warehouse,
Co-op hotel,
FCNQ garage,
Nursing station and transit,
Hydro plant and garage,
Hydro transit,
Telesat,
Bell Canada trailer,
Landholding corporation,
Pool hall,
School,
School transits and warehouse,
SHQ camp,
Airport terminal and garage,
Police station
Carving shop, and
Cornerstore.
Akulivik Housing Authority =
Tank farms =
Municipal Roads =

Statistical Information

The *Nunavik at a Glance* made by Makivik have helped complete our statistics for Akulivik.

Population has been recorded like this;

1975: 88 1986: 337 1991: 375 1996: 411

The data is showing that the community of Ivujivik has grown by 9.6% from 1991 to 1996. The actual growth rate from 1975 to 1996 is at 467.05%. Today, the unofficial population is 437.

Age distribution

Like all the other communities of Nunavik, the population is fairly young;

Income Distribution

Employment Statistics

In 1996, 59 full time jobs was recorded at 2.8% and 62 part-time jobs were held at 4.2% out of 100% of Nunavik jobs.

Other Relevant Statistics

SHQ does construction of social housing for the community. In 1994, the contractors were here the last time for social housing construction.

The average number of persons was 4.4 per household in 1996, this has dropped by - 1.0 from 1991.

Planning Process Followed in 1999

The organizations involved in the community development plans are;

- Corporation of Northern Village of Akulivik
- Akulivik Co-op
- Landholding Corporation
- Education Committee
- Carver's Association
- Recreation Committee
- Anglican Church Vestry
- Arnait Ekajurtiuqataujut (Women's Auxiliary Group)
- Youth Committee

The public consultations were done during the fall of 1999 by using the local FM station by each organization listed above to see what the general population wanted to see in our community.

Then the committees made a list prioritizing the community needs according to a 5 year plans.

The council has approved the community development plan and the resolution # is

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS

Sector by Sector Needs

COMMERCIAL

Point: There is no place to get a prepared meal in Akulivik.

Purpose: Establish a coffee shop where residents can eat goods in both traditional and modern food. To create jobs.

Solution: To establish a coffee shop with take-out delivery options.

Promoter: Education Committee

Point: There is no one presently working in the store owned by landholding corporation.

Purpose: To have an outdoor merchandise available within the community. And create 2-4 jobs.

Solution: Hire new employees for Talia Outdoor Store.

Promoter: Landholding Corporation

Point: Many organizations have wanted to rent out offices when there is no space to rent.

Purpose: To create an office rental for different organizations. To create a job.

Solution: To construct an office complex.

Promoter: Landholding Corporation

Point: The canoes we receive from Nunavik are made only in the south.

Purpose: To manufacture canoes for Nunavik. To train a canoe builder. And to create jobs.

Solution: To build a new canoe factory.

Promoter: Landholding Corporation

COMMERCIAL cont'd

Point: There is no infrastructure to manufacture furniture and there is no lumber yard.

Purpose: To establish furniture factory within Nunavik. And to create jobs.

Solution: To construct a new furniture factory/lumber yard.

Promoter: Landholding Corporation

Point: There are no carving tools available for carvers, sculptures and artists.

Purpose: To provide carving tools to artists. To encourage new talents.

Solution: To acquire carving tools.

Promoter: Carvers Association

Point: Our only store is not providing all the sporting equipment.

Purpose: To provide different sporting equipment. To have more safety procedure on sports. To create a job.

Solution: To establish a sporting goods outlet.

Promoter: Recreation Committee

CULTURE

Point: Young people are hardly exposed to traditional way of life anymore.

Purpose: To develop skills and knowledge of our culture.
To encourage carving to younger generation.

Solution: To expose traditional arts education to young people.

Promoter: Artists Association

Point: Our local carvers and artists are not recognized for their talents.

Purpose: To promote local carvers to be recognized. To promote the community of Akulivik.
To create a job.

Solution: To make a publication highlighting local carvers and their talents.

Promoter: Carvers Association

Point: The young people are in danger of losing their identity.

Purpose: To transmit cultural information to younger individuals.
To provide supervised activities.
To expose how the campers do their work and hunting.
To promote self-esteem among young people.

Solution: To establish a youth summer camp.

Promoter: Youth Committee

Point: Most programs we see today are not really documentaries in our way of life.

Purpose: To give information to our youth about traditional way of hunting.
To preserve Inuit way of hunting.

Solution: To make a video documentary in traditional hunting.

Promoter: Youth Committee

Point: Our dancing group does not have any money to get costumes.

Purpose: To promote Akulivik traditional dancers within the community.

Solution: To make costumes for Akulivik traditional dancers.

Promoter: Youth Committee

CULTURE cont'd

Point: The youth are forgetting how to prepare traditional foods.

Purpose: To make a traditional cook book. Create a job.

Solution: Do instruction in traditional cooking.

Promoter: Youth Committee

Point: The youth do not know how to make igloos and hunting equipment.

Purpose: To instruct the youth on how to make them.
To sell and provide traditional made equipment for men and women.

Solution: Make traditional hunting equipment.

Promoter: Youth Committee

EDUCATION

Point: The school playground is outdated and broken.

Purpose: To provide the playground with swings, teeter-totters, etc.
To level and clear the ground of rocks.
To create a basketball and soccer fields.

Solution: To do rehabilitation and development on the school playground.

Promoter: Education Committee

Point: The people do not want to leave for another community for adult education.

Purpose: To establish a local adult education centre for drop-outs and adults to get an education.

Solution: Renovate an old building to make an adult education centre.

Promoter: Education Committee

Point: The parents are not aware what their children are learning in school.

Purpose: To make parents understand the school policies and curriculum.
To help and encourage their students to learn more.

Solution: To do parental awareness workshops in promotion of education.

Promoter: Education Committee

Point: There is no existing course on how to make use the latest techniques.

Purpose: Carvers need to learn new techniques on painting, brass and marble to allow them to experiment with these new materials and ideas.

Solution: To expose and explore new artistic media and techniques.

Promoter: Carvers Association

ENVIRONMENT

Point: The hunting grounds have all kinds of trash.

Purpose: To get rid of trash to have a healthier environment on hunting grounds for future generations.
To promote cleanliness for the camps.

Solution: To clean-up categories I, II and III lands.

Promoter: Landholding Corporation

RECREATION

Point: The arena doesn't have safety glass and spectators have been in danger.

Purpose: To have a better safety procedures in the arena to protect the spectators.

Solution: To install an arena safety glass.

Promoter: Recreation Committee

Point: Not enough recreational activities.

Purpose: To get more sports available to the population.
To make an outdoor basketball court.
To make a community playground.

Solution: To pour a concrete slab for outdoor basketball and community playground.

Promoter: Recreation Committee

Point: No facility and equipment for curling activity.

Purpose: To have an additional recreation activity. To provide two lanes. And to create jobs.

Solution: To build a curling rink.

Promoter: Recreation Committee

Point: No facility and equipment for bowling activity.

Purpose: To have an additional recreation activity. To provide two lanes. And to create jobs.

Solution: To build a bowling alley.

Promoter: Recreation Committee

Point: Recreation committee have limited fundraising resources.

Purpose: To show community movies. To do fundraising for recreation committee.

Solution: To buy two movie projectors.

Promoter: Recreation Committee

RECREATION cont'd

Point: Unsupervised swimming is dangerous in the local river.

Purpose: To have an indoor pool with supervised activity.
Access to swimming lessons. Create jobs.

Solution: To build a swimming pool facility.

Promoter: Recreation Committee

Point: We have a weight lifting room with no equipment.

Purpose: To acquire different physical fitness equipment. To have a healthier and vital life.

Solution: Buy physical fitness equipment.

Promoter: Youth Committee

Point: There is a lack of traditional Inuit games.

Purpose: To re-introduce Inuit games to our people to build up our self-esteem and our culture.

Solution: To give instructions for indoor and outdoor traditional Inuit games.

Promoter: Youth Committee

SOCIAL SERVICES

Point: The community doesn't have any hairdressing facility.

Purpose: To establish a unisex hairdressing facility.

Solution: To build a hairdressing salon.

Promoter: Education Committee

Point: There is a clothing need for people living in poor conditions.

Purpose: To find money for transportation costs of old clothing from charitable organizations from south to help the families in need.

Solution: Find funding for transportation costs to old clothing.

Promoter: Women's Helpers

SOCIO-ECONOMIC

Point: The community doesn't have a daycare.

Purpose: To provide supervised care for children.
To create jobs.

Solution: Build a community daycare centre.

Promoter: Education Committee

Point: The municipal council will no longer be used for ski-doo space rentals next year.

Purpose: To equip tools and locking tool storage. To train one or two people in vocational course.

Solution: Upgrade and equip the necessary tools to small engine repair shop.

Promoter: Education Committee

Point: Unpaid source deductions and municipal taxes.

Purpose: To pay off debt to governments and municipal corporations to close the gap between the revenues and expenses.

Solution: Find core funding for Landholding corporations.

Promoter: Landholding Corporation

Point: There is no proper soapstone mining equipment in Akulivik.

Purpose: To provide soapstone mining equipment to Carvers Association to have easier mining on soapstone.

Solution: To acquire equipment for soapstone mining.

Promoter: Carvers Association

Point: The present soapstone mining site is running low.

Purpose: To find new locations for soapstone to establish new quarries.

Solution: Do explorations for new soapstone locations.

Promoter: Carvers Association

SOCIO-ECONOMIC cont'd

Point: The people of Akulivik have travelled very far to acquire the soapstone from the region. And carvers get tired of the local stone.

Purpose:- To trade with other communities to get a different soapstone material. To have an easier way of acquiring soapstone.

Solution: To create inter-community trade of soapstone.

Promoter: Carvers Association

Point: The Carvers Association have a building but no one to coordinate it.

Purpose: To create a full-time job to administrate the Carvers Association to promote Akulivik artisans by marketing their artworks.

Solution: To hire a coordinator for Akulivik Carvers Association.

Promoter: Carvers Association

Point: Our local store is not providing required materials for sewing.

Purpose: To let the younger women learn traditional sewing techniques and patterns.
To provide the elderly and the poor with traditional clothing.

Solution: To purchase sewing materials.

Promoter: Women's Helpers

Point: Our local store is not providing required equipment for sewing.

Purpose: To accommodate the sewing material for women's helpers.

Solution: Acquisition of sewing machines, tables and chairs.

Promoter: Women's Helpers

Point: If we do get the materials and equipment, we will not have display racks.

Purpose: To make rods and purchase hangers to display clothing made by women's helpers.

Solution: Display materials for clothing sales.

Promoter: Women's Helpers

SPIRITUAL

Point: The old church is literally falling apart and has much dry rot and vegetation growing in the wall. It is also cold during winter time.

Purpose: Do extensive interior and exterior improvements to the old church.
Renew and upgrade the heating system.

Solution: Renovate the old church.

Promoter: Vestry Committee

Point: The new church uses an old bell and communion equipment which are not adequate.

Purpose: To install better church bell. And to get new communion equipment.

Solution: Buy a new church bell and communion equipment.

Promoter: Vestry Committee

Point: There is no funding available to purchase bibles, prayer books, and hymns. We also need office equipment and supplies.

Purpose: To get bibles, prayer books and hymns.
To get fax machine, computer, photocopier and office supplies.

Solution: To purchase bibles, office equipment and supplies.

Promoter: Vestry Committee

Point: There is no musical equipment available for the church service and bible studies.

Purpose: To acquire a guitar, bass guitar, organ, drum kit and wireless microphones.
To have musical instruments added when we sing and improve the church worship.

Solution: Buy musical instruments.

Promoter: Vestry Committee

Point: The old church pew are too small and uncomfortable for our new church.

Purpose: To acquire church pew with backrest and kneeling pads.
To have a better and comfortable seating for the church services.

Solution: Buy church pews. **Promoter:** Vestry Committee

SPIRITUAL cont'd

Point: There are no changing rooms for layreaders and choir. The floor is cold because the heating ventilation is in the ceiling.

Purpose: To make changing rooms for the choir. To relocate the heating vents to the floor.

Solution: To improve the new church.

Promoter: Vestry Committee

WOMEN

Point: The committees in vestry and women's helpers have other personal matters to deal with. And requires a handyman.

Purpose: To maintain the old church and keep it tidy.
To create a part-time job.

Solution: To hire a handyman for the old church.

Promoter: Women's Helpers

YOUTH

Point: There is no local merchandise with the youth committee logo.

Purpose: To promote the youth committee with their logo.
To resell imprinted garments for fund raising activity.

Solution: To purchase pants, caps, etc. with youth logo for resale.

Promoter: Youth Committee

Point: There is not enough infrastructures for youth to drop-in.

Purpose: To have a place where youth can drop-in and to have more activities for them.

Solution: To construct a youth drop-in centre.

Promoter: Youth Committee

The respective years for each priority sections are; 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003. This is what our community wanted to see when we consulted them last year. And each organization have listed what they wanted to see first in the community concerns.

Immediate Priorities

Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Parental Awareness Workshop Education Committee Brighter Future, KSB, NRBHSS, Makivik MEQ
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Community Coffee Shop Education Committee NIC, KRG REDD, KSB ABC
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Snowmobile/ATV/Small Engine Education Committee
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Soapstone Mining Carvers Association CNV Akulivik Makivik, NIC, KLDC
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Acquisition of Carving Tools Carvers Association KLDC, Makivik, NRBHSS
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Exploration of New Soapstone Carvers Association NMEF, MRN
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Inter-community Trade of Soapstone by Carvers Association Makivik, KRDC MCCQ

Immediate Priorities cont'd

Project: Hiring of Coordinator - Carvers Association
Promoter: Carvers Association
Local Funding: CNV Akulivik
Regional Funding: KETD
Provincial Funding:

Project: Arena Safety Glass
Promoter: Recreation Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: Makivik, KRDC
Provincial Funding:

Project: Movie Projector
Promoter: Recreation Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: Makivik, KRG Recreation
Provincial Funding:

Project: Pew Renovations
Promoter: Vestry Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KRDC
Provincial Funding:

Project: Renovation to Old Church
Promoter: Women's Helpers
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KRDC, NWA
Provincial Funding:

Project: Hiring a Caretaker for Old Church
Promoter: Women's Helpers
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KETD, KRDC
Provincial Funding:

Project: Purchase of pants, caps, etc.
Promoter: Youth Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: NIC, NYA, KLDC
Provincial Funding:

Project: Youth Drop-In Centre
Promoter: Youth Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KLDC
Provincial Funding:

Immediate Priorities cont'd

Project: **Costumes for Akulivik Dancers**
Promoter: Youth Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: Avataq, Makivik, KLDC
Provincial Funding:

High Priority

Project: **School Playground Rehabilitation & Extension**
Promoter: Education Committee
Local Funding: CNV Akulivik
Regional Funding: KRG, KSB
Provincial Funding:

Project: **Establishment of a Daycare Centre**
Promoter: Education Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KETD, Makivik, KSB
Provincial Funding:

Project: **Office Complex**
Promoter: Landholding Corporation
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: NIC
Provincial Funding: ABC, Commercial Banks

Project: **Traditional Art Education**
Promoter: Artists Association
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: Makivik, KSB
Provincial Funding: MCCQ, MEQ

Project: **Publication Highlighting Local Artists**
Promoter: Carvers Association
Local Funding: CNV Akulivik
Regional Funding: Avataq, KLDC, Makivik
Provincial Funding: MCCQ

Project: **Exposure to New Artistic Media & Techniques**
Promoter: Carvers Association
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: Inuit Artists
Provincial Funding: MCCQ, Heritage Canada,

High Priority cont'd

Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Outdoor Basketball Court Recreation Committee Makivik, KRDC, KSB Kino Quebec
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Sporting Goods Store Recreation Committee NIC, KRG REDD ABC
Project: Promoter: Regional Funding:	Swimming Pool Recreation Committee KRG, KRDC
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Acquisition of Musical Instruments Vestry Committee KRG Recreation, KRDC, Avataq, Makivik
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Renovation of the New Church Vestry Committee KRDC
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Sewing Materials Women's Helpers
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Acquisition of Sewing Machines Women's Helpers NWA, KLDC
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Funding to pay Freight Costs of old Women's Helpers NWA, NRBHSS
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding:	Display Materials for Clothing Sales Women's Helpers NWA, KLDC

High Priority cont'd

Provincial Funding:

Project:

Promoter:

Local Funding:

Regional Funding:

Provincial Funding:

Physical Fitness Equipment

Youth Committee

KRDC, KRG Recreation

Kino Quebec

Project:

Promoter:

Local Funding:

Regional Funding:

Provincial Funding:

Video Documentary - Traditional Hunting

Youth Committee

Avataq, Makivik, KRG HSP, HFTA

Medium Priority

Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Establishment of Adult Education Education Committee KSB
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Establishment of Hair Salon Education Committee NIC, KRG REDD, KSB, KETD ABC
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Canoe Factory Landholding Corporation NIC, KRG REDD ABC
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Bowling Alley Recreation Committee KRG Recreation, KRDC Kino Quebec
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Youth Camp Recreation Committee KRG Recreation, KRDC Kino Quebec
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	Instruction in Traditional Cooking Youth Committee KSB, NRBHSS, Avataq, NWA
Project: Promoter: Local Funding: Regional Funding: Provincial Funding:	How to make Traditional Equipment Youth Committee CNV Akulivik Brighter Future

Low Priority

Project: Furniture Factory/Lumber yard
Promoter: Landholding Corporation
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: NIC, KRG REDD, Makivik
Provincial Funding: ABC

Project: Purchase of Bibles, Office Equipment
Promoter: Vestry Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KRDC
Provincial Funding:

Project: Instruction in Traditional Inuit Games
Promoter: Youth Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KSB, Avataq,
Provincial Funding:

Last Priority

Project: New Church Bell, and Equipment
Promoter: Vestry Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: KRDC
Provincial Funding:

No Indication Priority

Project: Curling Rink
Promoter: Recreation Committee
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: Makivik, KRDC
Provincial Funding:

Project: Core Funding for Landholding
Promoter: Landholding Corporation
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: Makivik
Provincial Funding:

Project: New Employees for Talia Shop
Promoter: Landholding Corporation
Local Funding:
Regional Funding: NIC, KRG REDD, KETD
Provincial Funding:

Project: Clean-up of Categories I, II and III
Promoter: Landholding Corporation
Local Funding: CNV Puvirnituk & Akulivik
Regional Funding: KLDC
Provincial Funding: MEF

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Committees Responsible

CNV with the help of the organizations involved have come up with the community needs. The mayor of Akulivik has helped in making the community development plans.