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Seasonal Tenant Newsletter

Fall/Winter 2022



THE DISTRICT OF THUNDER BAY
SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOARD



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50th Anniversary Celebrations

Throughout July and August, TBDSSAB celebrated the 50th anniversary of three housing neighborhoods.

50th anniversary celebrations were hosted at McIvor Court, Limbrick, and Trillium Way, with tenants, staff, and members of the Board of Directors in attendance. Guests were served a healthy picnic lunch, with music, games, and bubbles.

To mark the occasion, Cindy Crowe from Blue Sky Community Healing Centre opened with a smudging ceremony and drum. Traditional medicine gardens were also planted at all three neighborhood locations.

Thank you to everyone who celebrated these milestones with us this summer!



Do you volunteer in the community? Did you know that if you are on Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support you can earn financial incentives if you volunteer in the community at least 4 times a month?

Contact your Placement Support Worker at: 807-766-4054

Fall and Winter Reminders



- Bag up leaves that are in the yard.
- **2.** Turn off any outside taps before winter begins.
- Remove window air conditioners to stop drafts.
- **4.** Clean out fridges.
- **5.** Make sure to clean up after your pets. Please do not put cat litter down the garbage chute.
- **6.** For any maintenance concerns or issues, please call maintenance dispatch (see page 4 for contact information).

- 7. Remember to ask that TBDSSAB/company ID badges be shown prior to letting anyone claiming to be TBDSSAB staff, contractors, or other agencies into the unit.
- **8.** Keys and fobs must be paid for at the time of pickup from the TBDSSAB office.
- **9.** Remove snow/ice from furnace vents, exhaust vents, and gas meters.
- **10.** For houses, make sure to shovel the stairs and driveways.

Smoking

Reminder as the weather gets cooler, if you are in a smoke-free unit, you must go outside to smoke.
Cannabis cannot be smoked in an apartment or on a balcony. Even if your unit is an approved smoking unit, you must smoke cannabis outside.

See Something, Say Something!

If you see something suspicious, please report it to your Supervisor of Property Management (SPM). For your own safety, please call the police or Crime Stoppers if you witness a crime in progress.

Thank you for helping us keep all our tenants safe!



Thank you, Richard!

A big thank you to Richard who has been taking care of the flowers at Spence Court!

Follow TBDSSAB on social media to get the latest updates about Ontario Works, Child Care, and Housing programs.









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Kids Corner

Happy Fall!

Are you looking for something fun and free to do with your children? Visit an EarlyON program. EarlyON is a free program for families of children ages 0-6. EarlyON staff can provide resources to your family while offering a fun and safe place for children to play and learn. Visit our website to find the EarlyON closest to you:

www.tbdssab.ca/earlyon-family-centres

You can also check out the latest issue of the Thunder Bay Public Library's *Connect* Newsletter on the TBPL website: www.tbpl.ca. In their newsletter you'll find information about upcoming free events for youth, including Minecraft, Build-A-Beast, and Homework & Hot Chocolate!



Autumn Leaves



(Sing along to the tune of Frere Jacques)

Leaves are falling,

Leaves are falling,

To the ground,

To the ground.

Look at all the colours.

Look at all the colours,

Red, yellow, brown,

Red, yellow, brown.

Early Literacy Programs

Thunder Bay Public Library offers free Early Literacy programs for families. More information can be found on the TBPL website:

tbpl.ca/article/programsfor-kids-7915.asp

Crime Stoppers

To submit an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers and possibly earn a cash reward—please contact:

1-800-222-8477

Submit Online: www.p3tips.com/273



MyBenefits

You can use this service to get your OW or ODSP info, or report changes.

To sign up for MyBenefits, please visit:

mybenefits.mcss.gov.on.ca





Main Switchboard: 807-766-2111

24/7 Maintenance: 807-766-4777

Housing Programs Staff Extensions

SPM = Supervisor, Property Management PMC = Property Management Clerk

North

SPM: Cristie Berman	807-766-4616
PMC: Kerri McCallum	807-766-4643

South

SPM: Jamie Petrin	807-766-4618

PMC: Josee Trelinski 807-766-4637

East

SPM: Tracy Belleville	807-766-4632
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PMC: Alistan Hadley 807-766-4609

West

SPM: TBD

PMC: Kiersten Lemire 807-766-4122

Central

SPM: Betty McConkey-Kennelly 8	307-766-4633
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PMC: Andrea DeCicco 807-766-4608

Tenant Support Workers

Jackie Livingston	807-766-4640
Paula Marin	807-766-4621
Claudia Tropea	807-766-4069
Adam Lapointe	807-766-4208
Tammy Logan	807-766-4115

HQ Address:

231 S. May Street Thunder Bay, ON P7E 1B5

Regular Hours of Operation:

Monday to Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm Key Cutting & Payments: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Maintenance Issue?

Call the 24/7 Maintenance Line at

807-766-4777

Upcoming Holiday Closures

Dec 26 & 27 2022: Closed

Dec 23 & 30: Closed at 12pm

Jan 2, 2023: Closed Feb 20, 2023: Closed

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Open Reduced Hours