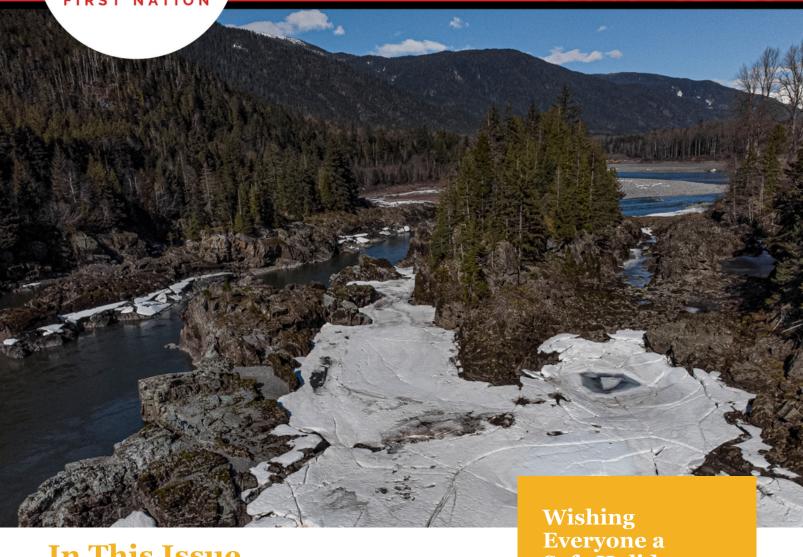


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Safe Holiday Season

2023 Hamper Registration



KITSELAS FIRST NATION

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2023 Hamper Registration

	Full Legal Name	Stat	us Number	Date Of Birth
Applicant:				
Spouse:				
Email:		Phone:		
Address:			Postal Code:	

WEEKLY MAILOUTS starting November 20, 2023 – please submit with updated direct deposit information.

Registrations received after Wednesday, December 13, 2023, and before Tuesday, January 02, 2024, will be verified and mailed in the New Year.

Off Reserve Members: Please attach an October, November 2023 copy of the following to verify address:

- UTILITY BILL OR LANDLINE PHONE BILL (NOT MOBILITY PHONE ACCOUNT)
 OR
- CURRENT RENTAL AGREEMENT

2023 Community Christmas Dinner Registration - December 09, 2023

Kitsum Kalum Community Hall

*MUST be a registered member of 680

Child's Name	Status Number	Date Of Birth	Gender

Children must be 18 years or younger as of December 1, 2023, a **registered** Kitselas member and a permanent member of your household family.

Please include the names of other adult (18+) Kitselas registered members living in your household

Full Legal Name	Status Number	Date Of Birth

By signing this document, I confirm I have completed this form truthfully and accurately to the best of my ability. I also understand that Kitselas First Nation may use the information provided by me to update their membership database.

Signature	Date
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ONE APPLICATION PER HOUSEHOLD

Please return to finance.officer@kitselas.com



Kitselas Holiday Closure

Please be informed that all Kitselas offices will be closed for the holidays.

Early Office Closure: Friday December 15, 2023@1:00p.m

Christmas Holiday Office Closure

December 18, 2023 - January 1, 2024

(All Offices will be returning to work on January 2, 2024)



Kitselas Emergency Contact #'s

Kitselas

Ken McDames Jr Emergency Management 250-641-1115

Housing & Public Works Elmer Wright 250-631-3843 Paul Mason 240-922-5890

Jada Seymour Community Health Rep 250-641-2647

Cheryl Campbell Administration 250-615-2584

Emergency Services

Emergency......911 RCMP......250-638-7400 Fire Dept......250-638-4734 Ambulance....250-638-1102

An emergency is if you have significant plumbing or water issues, as one example.

Health Services

BC Health Link......811

Mills Memorial Hospital 250-635-2211

BC Poison Control 1-800-567-8911

Crisis Support

Northern BC Crisis & Youth Support 250-563-1214 250-567-8336

Kuu-us Crisis Response 1-800-588-8717

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BC Suicide Prevention 1-800-784-2433

Wishing Everyone a Safe Holiday Season.

Ensuring safety during the Christmas holidays is crucial for a joyful and incident-free celebration.

Here are some points to consider:

1. **Decorating Safely:**

- Use flame-resistant or flame-retardant decorations.
- Keep decorations away from heat sources, candles, and open flames.
- Inspect lights for frayed wires or damaged sockets and replace them if needed.
 - Avoid overloading electrical outlets and use extension cords properly.

2. **Christmas Tree Safety:**

- If using a live tree, keep it well-watered to prevent it from drying out and becoming a fire hazard.
 - Place the tree away from heat sources, such as radiators or fireplaces.
 - If using an artificial tree, ensure it is labeled as fire-resistant.

3. **Candle Safety:**

- Keep candles in sturdy holders and away from flammable materials.
 - Never leave burning candles unattended.
 - Consider using flameless LED candles for a safer alternative.

5. **Electrical Safety:**

- Inspect holiday lights for any signs of damage before use.
- Turn off decorative lights and other electrical decorations when leaving the house or going to bed.

6. **Childproofing:**

- Keep small decorations, ornaments, and batteries out of reach of small children.
 - Be cautious with holiday plants, as some can be toxic if ingested.

7. **Travel Safety:**

- If traveling, ensure your vehicle is in good condition before hitting the road.
 - Check weather and road conditions, and plan accordingly.
 - Avoid driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

8. **Gift Safety:**

- Choose age-appropriate toys for children and follow safety guidelines.
- Be cautious with small items that could pose a choking hazard for young children.

9. **Health Precautions:**

- Practice good hygiene to prevent the spread of illnesses during the flu season.
 - Be mindful of food safety when preparing and storing holiday meals.

10. **Emergency Preparedness:**

- Have emergency contact numbers readily available.
- Know the location of fire exits in public places and have an emergency evacuation plan for your home.

11. **Watch for Children Sleigh riding**

 Sleigh riding can be a fun and exhilarating winter activity for children, but safety is paramount to prevent injuries. Be Mindful of children sleigh riding so they can enjoy sleigh riding while minimizing the risk of accidents or injuries. Always prioritize safety, and make sure children are aware of the rules and precautions associated with the activity.

By keeping these safety tips in mind, you can help ensure a happy and secure holiday season for you and your loved ones.

Treaty LUP Open House



Member Engagement

Thanks to the Kitselas community, we have a draft Plan ready for review! Did we get it right?

KULSPAI OPEN HOUSE:

When: December 13th from 3pm - 6pm (drop in)

Where: Kulspai Community Hall

GITAUS OPEN HOUSE:

When: December 14th from 3pm - 6pm (drop in) Where: Administration Building - downstairs

Don't forget to fill out the survey! www.surveymonkey.com/r/KFNDraftPlan Printed surveys available from Geneva

Geneva Mason

Project Manager / Community Engagement Coordinator





250.922.5867



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Review the draft Plan and learn more about the Treaty Land Use Plan Project:

https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/fb29d32d2fad488d823d14171e0c93fa





Season's Greetings from Kitselas First Nation!

Embrace the spirit of the holiday, cherish the moments with family, friends and community, keep your loved ones close and stay safe.

Merry Christmas and a Happy & Prosperous New Year from Kitselas Chief and Council and Staff.



Questions about Treaty?

If you need a ride call the K5T shuttle

Join us at our monthly Treaty Information Session!

January 31, 2024
TOPIC: Laws, laws-making & the
Constitution

TIME: 6 PM Dinner | 6:30 PM Meeting WHERE: Kitselas Admin. Building | 2225 Gitaus Rd.

Can't make it inperson? Scan the QR code to join virtually!



Reminder

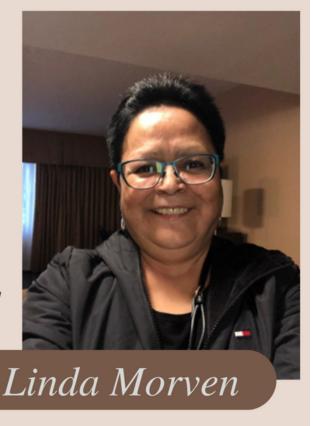
Winter Road Maintenance

The Housing and Public Works department reminds the community to help with snow removal by clearing the sides of roads and removing any obstacles such as toys, bins, vehicles, and also to ensure your water taps are disconnected from your water hoses. For their safety, please remind your childern to not play in or around the ditches especially when you know the plow is out.



KITSELAS FIRST
NATION
WELCOMES
OUR NEW
CHIEF
ADMINISTRATIVE

OFFICER



Linda Morven is the newly hired Chief Administrative Officer for Kitselas First Nation. Linda has extensive education and experience, and served in various capacities over the years. She was the former Chief Executive Officer for Gitwinksihlkw, Chief Health Services Officer and Corporate Services Manager for Nisga'a Valley Health Authority, a Council Member for Gitlaxt'aamiks for a term, and Vocational-Technical Coordinator for Wilp Wilxo'oskwhl Nisga'a Institute to name some positions. Linda sat on several boards and committees including the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board, the Tripartite Emergency Management Working Group (First Nations Leadership Council, BC & Canada), and Sii T'ax Development Corporation, and does some work with the Northern First Nations Alliance, the Indigenous Climate Adaptation Working Group, the Skeena NDP Constituency, and the Skeena Bulkey Valley NDP Constituency. Linda has a Bachelor of Arts degree with UNBC, has a certificate in community economic development with SFU, and completed various other training over the years. Linda is a layreader and a member of the Vestry Committee with Holy Trinity Church, plays the clarinet with the Harmonic Silver Band and Majagaleelhl Nisga'a Band, is a communitybuilder, and strongly believes in working with the people in her heart and mind at all times.

2023 YEAR IN REVIEW

8 MONTHLY TREATY INFORMATION SESSION TOPICS

This year, we covered many Treaty Topics during eight Treaty Information Sessions, including:

JANUARY Alternatives to Treaty

FEBRUARY Enforcement of Kitselas Laws

MARCH

Fish Chapter & Periodic Renewal

APRIL

Constitution & Dispute Resolution

MAY Education

JUNE

Final Land & Cash Offer

SEPTEMBER

Eligibility & Enrolment

OCTOBER Implementation



11 MONTHLY MAIL-OUTS

WEEKS OF LEADERSHIP & CULTURE CAMPS

In July, we engaged with Kitselas youth! Over the summer, we held three weeks of Culture Camps.

50 children attended the camps

4 FOO

FOCUS GROUPS

We hosted online and in-person focus groups to hear your thoughts on Treaty.

2 online focus groups

2 in-person focus groups

3RD ANNUAL COMMUNITY BBQ

In August, over 100 Kitselas Members joined us at the Kitselas Canyon for this year's third annual Community BBQ.

2 ELDERS' LUNCH & WORKSHOPS

Two Elders' events were hosted in 2023 to learn from our Kitselas Elders and answer questions about Treaty.

July 18 · November 4

APP LAUNCH! APRIL 2023

3 ANIMATED VIDEOS





Three new animated videos were released on important Treaty topics.

Scan code to watch videos

5 CONSTITUTION WORKSHOPS

We hosted five Constitution Workshops, where Kitselas Members helped create our own Constitution.

> February 10 April 15 June 17 August 10 November 18

5 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS

Farmers' Market - May 6 with BC & Canada

Open House – May 27 with BC/Canada & Kitsumkalum

River Boat Days Parade - August 5

Farmer's Market - September 23

AGM - October 28





2024

Ridley Island Energy Export Facility (REEF)

Come join us in person

CELEBRATION DINNER MEETING

Wednesday 10-January-2024

Time: 5:00p.m.

Location: Kitselas Community Hall

Join us to learn about and celebrate the completion of an Impact Management and Benefit Agreement with our guests from the Ridley Island Energy Export Facility (REEF). We will walk community through the agreement and celebrate our important relationship with this project.

Dinner provided, Rides provided

WHEN?

Wednesday January 10, 2023

HOW? In person

DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

KITSELAS COMMUNITY HALL

SATURDAY
JANUARY 27, 2024
9:00A.M.



Kitselas Development Corporation is delighted to extend a warm invitation to you for our upcoming Annual Community Meeting, where we will host our Kitselas community members and business partners on January 27th, 2024 at the Kitselas Community Hall.

We will come together to discuss matters that impact us all, and your presence and participation are valued as we work to enhance our connections with the community. In addition, we will offer space for our partners to host a booth and share more about their business operations with you, our community members.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided, along with refreshments.

There will also be door prizes. We hope to see you there for the event, networking, and constructive dialogue.



Get in Touch

Kitselas Connects is put together by the Kitselas Communication Department.

Please email communications@kitselas.com with any info (events, news, fundraisers, photos, etc) that you would like to share with the community.

Deadline for submission is Tuesday. Call 250.635.5084 EXT 4071 with any questions.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4pm Closed for lunch 12 - 12:30pm

