

November 22, 2024

### **Inuvialuit elders to receive benefit payments to help offset cost of living**

Inuvialuit Regional Corporation is pleased to announce that all Inuvialuit beneficiaries **60 years of age and over** (884 in total) will be issued a benefit payment of \$500 on December 1, 2024. The benefit is made possible by the interest income of the \$442,000 Inuvialuit Social Development Fund and was approved by the IRC board of directors at its November 19-21 meeting held in Inuvik.

Due to the current Canada Post strike, elder beneficiaries are strongly encouraged to get set-up with direct deposit before December 2, so they don't experience a delay in receiving payments.

#### **How funds will be distributed:**

- For elders registered with IRC Enrolment for direct deposit, payments will be deposited directly to their bank account on December 1.
- For elders **not registered for direct deposit**, community corporations will be distributing benefit cheques in each Inuvialuit Settlement Region (ISR) community the week of Dec 2.
- **For elders living outside the ISR** cheques will be mailed once the strike has ended—please ensure your mailing address is up to date with IRC Enrolment.

For more information or to get signed-up for direct deposit contact IRC Enrolment at (867) 777-7000 or email [enrolment@inuvialuit.com](mailto:enrolment@inuvialuit.com).

#### **Other Elder Financial Supports**

Stanton grocery stores - 10% discount	Aged 55+
Aklak Air - 50% off full fair	Aged 50+