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ON-THE-LAND WITH
HELP FROM QIA

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HELPING OUR ELDERS
DURING THE COVID-19
PANDEMIC

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to begin by taking a moment to commemorate our colleague Johnny Malaiya Kublu. Once again, I want to extend condolences to his family, friends and community members in Igloodik.

Johnny Malaiya Kublu was a kind, humble and well-respected community leader. He had a passion for our culture and worked hard to record and preserve the knowledge of Inuit Elders. He will be greatly missed.

As you all know, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, all our work and modes of operation have changed in the past few months. We have had to make adjustments to where we work and how we work. Our team has re-organized our priority files and created new emergency initiatives, even the way we host our meetings has been modified.

In response, our efforts in the past few months have been redirected to address this new reality and the immediate needs of Qikiqtani Inuit under the pressures of this pandemic.

In mid-March QIA implemented new measures in response to COVID-19 and suspended all our regular programs and closed our offices to the public. Our staff's efforts were re-directed to design new emergency initiatives.

On March 30, QIA rolled out two initiatives to assist Qikiqtani Inuit during the COVID-19 pandemic including food vouchers for Elders and emergency funding for Qikiqtani families to social distance on-the-land and harvest. The initiatives rolled out in April 2020 and conclude at the end of June 2020.

The funds for QIA's COVID-19 response plan come from the Indigenous Community Support Fund (ICSF) announced by the Federal Government on March 25, 2020. QIA's share of that fund is approximately \$6.1 million (\$6,132,544).

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To date, these initiatives have been a huge success. Our online applications for the on-the-land program are being completed quickly – with new applications arriving daily. Families have sent photos and messages from successful on-the-land trips from across the Qikiqtani Region. Elders have also told us that the grocery vouchers are making a big difference in their lives – giving them regular access to necessary household goods.

At QIA we will continue to work with and support public health officials to keep Nunavummiut safe.

Protect our Elders, our communities, and yourself.

Qujannamiik,



– P.J. Akeegagok

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Johnny Malaiya Kublu is survived by his wife, Veronica Aqiaruq Kublu, his eight children and many grandchildren.



“We spent time at our cabin and went fishing with our grandchildren, we enjoyed every moment of our camping and outings.”

Myna Maktar

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HELPING OUR ELDERS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Working in partnership with Arctic Co-operatives, QIA allocated \$3 million to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on Qikiqtani Inuit Elders. The funds are being distributed as \$250 vouchers every other week. These vouchers are for Inuit Elders 60 years and above.

Elders in Clyde River have received grocery hampers with help from the Ilisaqsivik Society.



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SUPPORTING HTOS TO HELP FEED THE COMMUNITY DURING COVID-19

QIA has provided \$5,000 to each Hunters and Trappers Organization in the Qikiqtani Region with matching funds from Nunavut Tunngavik for a total of \$10,000 for each community.

This money is to assist with community hunts and help minimize the impacts of COVID-19 on Inuit facing economic hardship and food insecurity.

Members of the Ivig Hunters and Trappers Association in Grise Fiord are using funds to help feed the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

To date, local hunters have harvested about 1,000 kilograms of food including muskox, char, seal, ptarmigan, Arctic hare and polar bears.



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Priority for distributing the country food was for Elders and families who do not have the ability or means to hunt. However, due to the bounty of the harvest, every household in Grise Fiord got some country food.

The community was also able to donate 250 kilograms of Muskox meat to the Hunters and Trappers Organization in Arctic Bay.

"At this time of the pandemic we wanted to ensure country food is secure for members of the community," said Iviq Secretary-Treasurer Marty Kuluguqtuq, "if there's food left over, we'll be happy to share it with other communities. Hunters and providers have always shared their harvests with others. The only difference now is that they're getting paid. It's a win/win/win situation."



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QIA CREATES COVID-19 RESOURCES

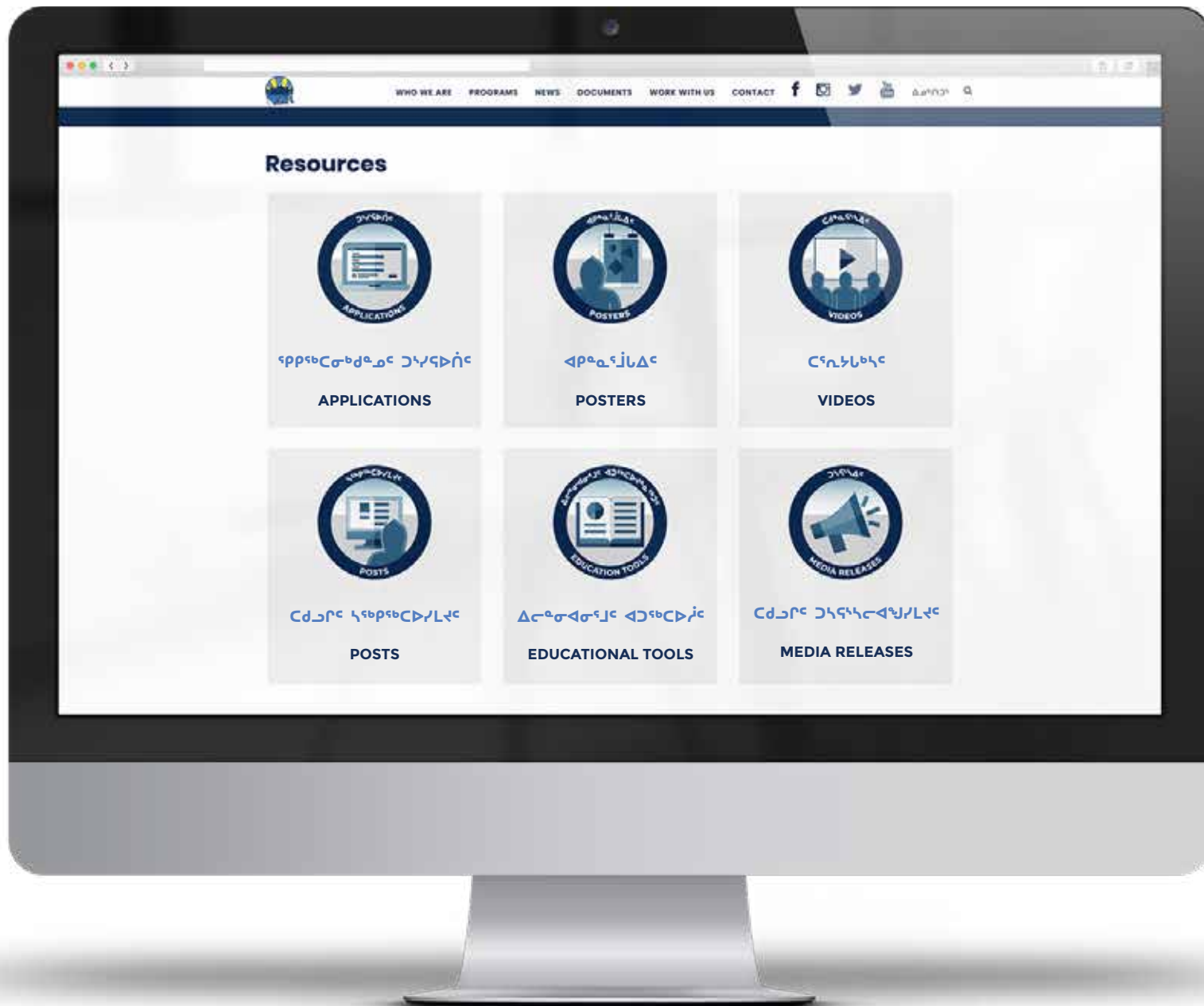
QIA ramped up our communications and public outreach efforts to help inform and educate Qikiqtani Inuit about COVID-19 prevention and mitigation measures.

All of our resources can be accessed through our website at <https://www.qia.ca/covid-19-news-updates/>

To date we have created:

- A COVID-19 portal on our website which helps Inuit access all essential applications and resources.
- An educational resource page on our website for families homeschooling.
- Posters that share important information about COVID-19 such as how long it is persistent on different surfaces.
- A series of short animated GIF's to help families talk about COVID-19.
- Several mini music videos created in partnership with Becky Han to educate Inuit about issues such as frequent handwashing and social distancing to protect Elders.

Online resources for Inuit families homeschooling can be access at <https://www.qia.ca/covid-19-news-updates/activities-children-families/>



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HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19. WEAR A MASK.

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PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19. STAY HOME.

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STAYING HOME CAN SAVE LIVES.

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PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19. KEEP KIDS AT HOME.

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Even if kids don't have any symptoms they still need to practice social distancing.

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PROTECT OUR ELDERLY. DO NOT VISIT THEM.

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PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19. WASH YOUR HANDS.

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Wash your hands for 20 seconds.

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BE KIND. WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER.

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QIA'S COVID-19 RESPONSE PLAN

\$6 ፊርማ ዕቅድ ለሰዎች ለሰዎች ለሰዎች
 OVER \$6 MILLION IN INVESTMENTS



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ELDERS
 \$250 every other week
 in grocery vouchers for
 Qikiqtani Inuit Elders



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CHILDREN
 Increased health, cultural
 and educational support
 for Qikiqtani Inuit children



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HARVESTERS
 Over \$2 million in
 additional support for
 harvesters so they can help
 feed our communities

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**PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19.
 WASH YOUR HANDS & DISINFECT SURFACES.**

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PLASTIC
 5 days



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 2-8 ሰዎች
ALUMINUM
 2-8 hours



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 4-5 ዕቅድ
PAPER
 4-5 days



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 8 ሰዎች
**LATEX
 GLOVES**
 8 hours



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 4 ዕቅድ
GLASS
 4 days



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 48 ሰዎች
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 48 hours



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 4 days



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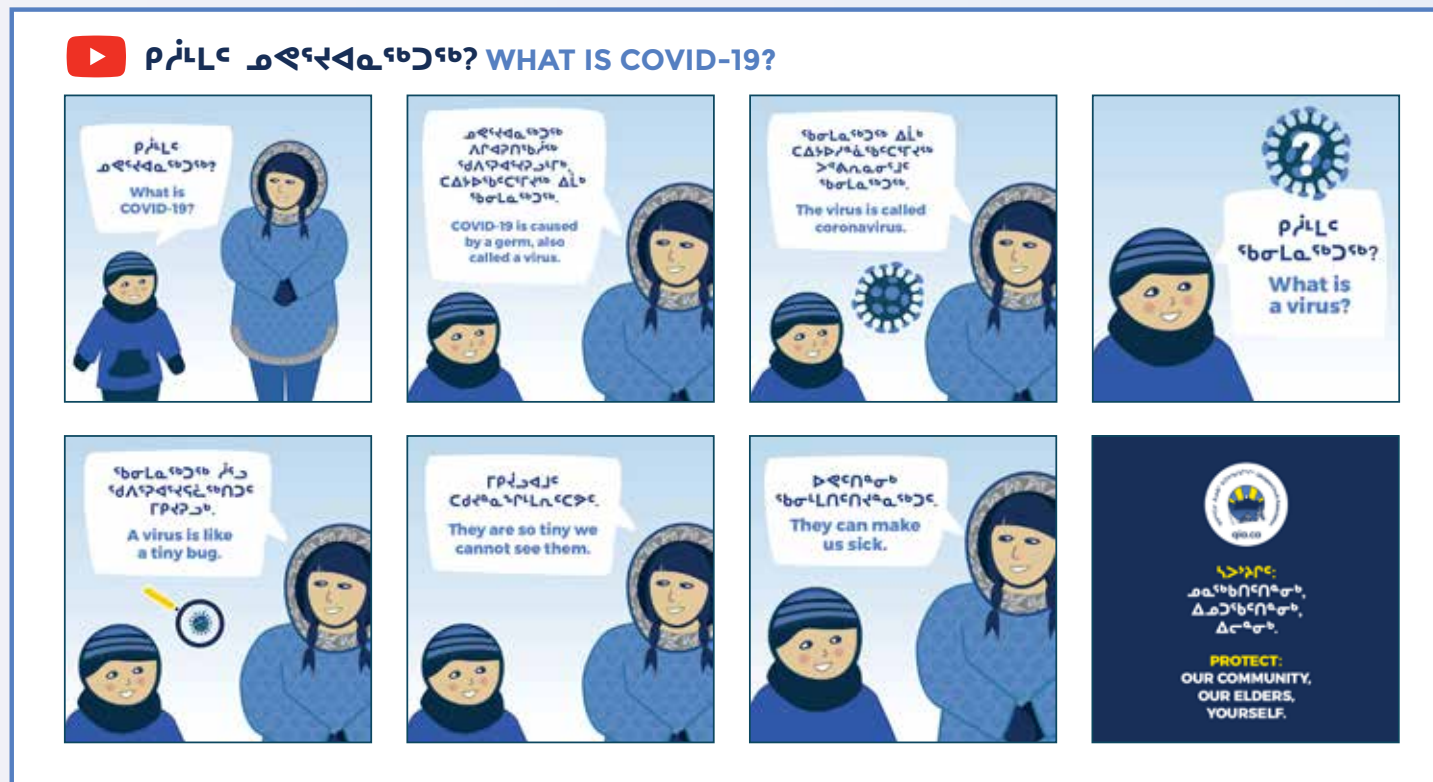


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HELPING TO ANSWER CHILDREN'S QUESTIONS ABOUT COVID-19

QIA produced a series of short animations (GIFs) to help Qikiqtani families talk about COVID-19 and to answer common questions children have. We have turned these GIFs into comic strips below, or you can see the animations at www.qia.ca/covid-19-news-updates/covid-19-videos/.



 **ኤፌኤ ኤመሊርጋኤኦኦኦኦ (COVID-19)? HOW DOES SOMEONE GET COVID-19?**



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ADVICE FROM AN ELDER



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“ALWAYS GOOD TO HELP OUT”

11-YEAR-OLD FROM IQALUIT SEWS TO LEND A HAND DURING COVID-19

A lot can happen when people start using creativity to help others in need. Just ask 11-year-old Aubrey Sheppard, who is making face masks for the community during the COVID-19 pandemic. What started out as a fun task has become a project to help keep Iqaluit safe and raise money for Joamie school's breakfast program.

To help her community, specifically her fellow classmates at Joamie School, the primary school in Iqaluit, Aubrey decided to do something.



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In late April, Aubrey was taking part in a contest sponsored by the Nunavut Literacy Council for the most creative face mask, she decided to use her newly acquired skills to raise funds for Joamie school's breakfast program.

Aubrey has made about 40 face masks in the first two weeks and has donated over \$100 to help keep the Joamie School Breakfast Program up and running while school is closed.

“I'm proud of myself,” says Aubrey, “I want to keep making the masks because of COVID-19, it's been a little bit crazy, and you want to be protected and stay safe.”

Aubrey is finding a balance between doing her school work and making masks. She says there were a few challenges with gathering materials to meet the demand. Thankfully, Emily Joanasie, owner and operator of Migsuqta, is donating some supplies to support the project.



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NURSES IN THE QIKIQTANI REGION REFLECT ON THEIR JOBS

Now, more than ever, is a time to celebrate and appreciate the nurses who care for us when we are unwell. QIA spoke to nurses from the Qikiqtani Region about their work for Nursing Week 2020.



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