



# Fort Providence Community Trade Skills & Training Program

“Building  
Capacity”

Dehcho First Nations in Partnership with Service  
Canada

- Deh Gah Gotie Koe First Nation receives ASTSIF funding for the Fort Providence Community Trade & Training Program
  - “Building Capacity”

# Project Objective

- To provide under-employed Aboriginal clients with training in the field of construction as well as valuable work experience through a college training program while working towards certification as a Trades Helper or to continue into an apprenticeship program

# Project Approach

- The LTA will partner with the local college and high school to offer clients a classroom and on-the-job training program to give clients skills transferrable to the work force

# Project Addresses

- Labour market gaps within the construction industry in the Dehcho while combining employment and construction pre-apprenticeship training with on-the-job experience to assist Aboriginal clients to become job-ready and to increase their attachments to the labour market through supported, positive employment experience

# Project Description

- Intended to work with 24 Aboriginal clients from the community of Fort Providence who are seeking to improve their literacy skills, gain skills training and work experience and who wish to begin or maintain a career in the construction industry

# Project Targets

- 16 month project for Aboriginal clients between the ages of 17 to 40
- 24 clients to be registered
- 24 clients will enhance their employability by completing a Labour Market Intervention
- 22 clients will complete their action plan
- 20 clients will obtain employment

# Project Results

- Give participants trade time hours for the classroom and shop experience should they wish to pursue an apprentice position in a trade
- 24 Aboriginal clients will have gained pre-apprenticeship training and work experience as well as provide them with an opportunity to write their Trades Entrance Exam



# Project Partners

- Aurora College Learning Centre, Fort Providence
  - Provide a Red Seal Carpenter who will work as project manager, classroom and site instructor
- Deh Gah Gotie Elementary & Secondary School, Fort Providence
  - Provide their shop and classroom for the formal training component of the project
- Deh Gah Gotie Koe First Nation, Fort Providence
  - Manage the project through the Local Training Authority
- Dehcho Divisional Board of Education, Fort Simpson
  - Support the project on an as-needed basis

# Project Support Letter

- Excerpt from the Superintendent of the Dehcho Divisional Education Council
  - Fort Providence is one community where partnerships have very positive results. In the past seven years the Local Training Authority has partnered with an Aurora College instructor to deliver carpentry, building trades helper and trades access programs in the community

# Support Letter con't

- ... I am of the opinion that the partnerships between the college, school and LTA that have been and are continuing to develop will have a significant benefit in the community as opportunity is made available to both develop marketable skills and obtain meaningful employment

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