As of October 2018, the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) is no longer regulating wood stoves nor any other wood or coal fired heating devices. The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation’s Air Quality Division is now responsible for issuing air quality alerts, curtailments announcements, and conducting compliance and enforcement. You can check the status of air quality alerts for your zone at: http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/Air/airtoolsweb/Advisories. Or you can call (907) 452-2131 to sign up for email or text alerts. Curtailments do not apply during a power outage or if you have No Other Adequate Source of Heat (NOASH) waiver from the ADEC or a FNSB. Please check the alert announcement to see which waivers are allowed. The curtailments for the alerts for each stage is generally as follows:

Stage 1: Curtailments required except for FNSB Stage 1 Waivers (issued before 10/25/2018), and all NOASH waivers.

Stage 2: Curtailment required except for NOASH waivers. Remember, only wood that is dry and has a moisture content less than 20% may be used as fuel in heating devices. Please be sure to stay current on alerts to avoid any enforcement actions from the ADEC.

IRHA Policy Update:

Due to limited unrestricted funding as of January 1st, 2019, IRHA will no longer provide donations. IRHA’s business focus will remain on fulfilling the mission statement.

Applications for our Fairbanks programs are open.

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Congratulations, Speedy Sam on your re-election to the Board of Commissioners

With Our Greatest APPRECIATION

Patrick McCarty

IRHA WELCOMES

Leah Woods

OUR NEWEST BOARD MEMBER

Thank you for your dedication and leadership to Interior Regional Housing Authority and the people we serve.

For over 10 years, your talents and efforts have helped our success! IRHA would like to Congratulate Shane Clark, who has been accepted into the Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 375 Apprenticeship Program. Keep up the good work for many years to come!
I would like to thank my fellow employees for voting for me for 2018 Administrative Employee of Year.

- Russell Snyder, Procurement & Contracts Compliance Officer

Rose Demoski, originally from Nulato, was hired in June 2018 as the Intake Assistant Specialist for IRHA. Previously, she worked for TCC’s Dental Department as a Dental Assistant and later as the Front Desk Program Assistant from 1994-2017. She serves as the first point of contact here at IRHA for clients and visitors. She also received training to take applications and housing payments here at the IRHA front desk.

“I enjoy working with all the IRHA staff, Board of Commissioners, and also helping clients and visitors with requests for housing and other inquiries. Please feel free to call me at (907)452-8315, if you have any questions or concerns on any IRHA housing programs we offer.”

Meet
Rose Demoski

I would like to thank IRHA for having me on their team. I’m glad to be part of this family and to accomplish all we have done on new houses, rehabs, and weatherization. Our team has been working with villages all over the interior, to help make homes more efficient, to save money, and to prolong the life of their home. I’m glad to be part of this team and look forward to continue working here.

- Marvin Torres, Mechanical General Foreman

Congratulations!

Prestley Peter on becoming a Journeyman Electrician
Meet Nadine Carroll

Nadine Carroll is the new Housing & Planning Coordinator at IRHA. She previously worked as a Tribal Administrator and has many years’ experience working with different Alaska Native organizations. She also has her BBA and MBA from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. “I am excited to get into the housing field and to work with the different villages in the interior and our clients here in Fairbanks. It is my belief that everyone deserves a safe place to call home.” Nadine can reached at (907)452-8315 ext. 163 or by e-mail ncarroll@irha.org

Kristen Moreland, IRHA’s Housing Specialist, recently obtained her Pathways Home Certificate to instruct the first-time homebuyers’ class. In order to be eligible for the HOP/HOPE & TEAM Programs this class is mandatory for applicants.

For more information or to schedule a class to be held in your village please contact Kristen at (907) 452-8315 ext. 130 or 1-800-478-4742, by e-mail kmoreland@irha.org

Welcome Back Leisha Ray

Leisha Ray is the new Planning Specialist. She has five years’ experience determining eligibility for assistance with TCC’s Athabascan Self-Sufficiency Program (ASAP). Her previous experience includes almost six years with State of Alaska, DOT and Public Facilities from Administration for Maintenance & Operations, to Rural Airport’s Construction team and finally Procurement Specialist II. While at DOT, she obtained Certification in Procurement I, II, & III. She also has previous experience at IRHA as an Administrative Assistant and later as the Construction Coordinator.

“Working at DOT&PF I learned a lot, one of my favorite projects was working on the Airport Relocation project. Born & raised in Fairbanks, I have two wonderful kids and an amazing husband, as a family we do our best to provide a subsistence lifestyle.”
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