



# IRHA

## Community Newsletter

### IRHA Board of Commissioner Seats C & D open

Interior Regional Housing Authority (IRHA) Board of Commissioners (BOC) has two open seats for the upcoming elections in March, both seats are 3-year terms, (2025-2028).

- \* Seat C – currently held by Speedy Sam, Huslia.
- \* Seat D – currently held by Kimberly Carlo, Gwichyaa Zhee.

If interested in running for the IRHA BOC, please complete a Letter of Intent to formally declare candidacy for one of the positions.

Must be eligible to serve as a TCC Board of Director, and cannot be a TCC or IRHA employee.

Eligibility and election information are located at: [www.tananachiefs.org](http://www.tananachiefs.org)

Letter of Intent link available at:

<https://irha.org/irha-boc-elections/>

Submit letter of intent to:

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122 First Ave., suite 600  
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[chelle.johnson@tananachiefs.org](mailto:chelle.johnson@tananachiefs.org)

### Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines

The Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines has a down payment assistance program available to American Indian and Alaska Native households.

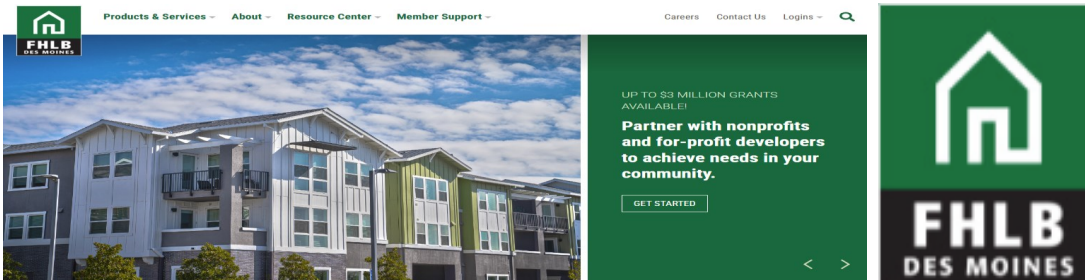
This program provides up to \$15,000 in downpayment

assistance, in addition to any funding eligible participants may have from other sources.

In addition to meeting eligibility criteria to be eligible for the program, you must apply for your mortgage through Mt Mckinley Bank, as

it is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines.

Mt Mckinley Bank is working in collaboration with IRHA to sponsor applications to this program.



### NEW HOURS:

**Monday – Thursday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm**  
**Closed to the public on Fridays.**

Interior Regional  
Housing Authority  
828 27th Ave.  
Fairbanks, AK 99701  
907-452-8315  
[www.irha.org](http://www.irha.org)

#### Mission

Provide tribal housing opportunities to positively impact housing needs.

#### Vision

Families with quality affordable housing.

#### Our Core Values

- > Innovation
- > Respect
- > Honesty
- > Accountability
- > Service

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## Letter from the Chief Executive Officer



Eugene Paul, IRHA CEO

Dear Chiefs, Tribal Councils, and Tribal Members,

One year ago, I attended the 2024 Tanana Chiefs Annual Convention with my staff. I met with Chiefs, Tribal Leaders, Tribal Administrators, and sister agency leaders. I listened closely to Tribal Leadership and have focused closely on building relationships. As I write this letter to you, a year later, I am confident that I have kept my commitment to providing transparency and accountability.

In this past year my team has worked diligently together to meet the goals identified by the Board of Commissioners (BoC) “to provide Tribal Housing opportunities to positively impact housing needs.” Looking forward into this year the team is focused on planning and building in our communities.

The last two years Tribes have addressed IRHA’s cost allocation plan (CAP), and has asked for IRHA to find ways to decrease the CAP. In 2023 the CAP was 48.45% and in 2024 the CAP was 49.72%. This year the CAP is 14.28% which means a lower cost to Tribes to build, however, IRHA must focus heavily on production to continue meeting a lower CAP for all of our Tribes.

This lower amount is the result of the following: an increase of 39.71% from NAHASDA’s Indian Housing Block Grant, increased successful grant awards, and private foundation funders. We don’t anticipate seeing this amount of increased funding from NAHASDA, which will result in an increase to CAP in future years.

IRHA will continue to seek additional funding sources and grant opportunities that will allow us the ability to serve our Tribes at a lower CAP.

This wouldn’t have been possible without my team and our incredible funding partners from Doyon, Limited, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC), Rasmuson Foundation, Wells Fargo, Mt. McKinley Bank, First National Bank of Alaska, Cold Climate Housing Research Center, and Northrim Bank.

I would be remiss if I didn’t share my concerns as we move forward into 2025. With the new administration in office and Congress looking to cut budgets, housing authorities face challenges from cuts in federal funding and grant opportunities. With the newly increased tariffs on building materials that we purchase out of Canada (40%) and China (20%), we are facing a major impact on building materials and the cost of building.

I am cautious about the construction season ahead of us. It will be



IRHA Board of Commissioners supporting CEO, Eugene



Meeting with Representative Begich



Patricia MacDonald and Teodor Dornea with Senator Lisa Murkowski

important for us to buy building products as soon as possible before inflation affects the building economy and to work as efficiently as possible to reduce waste. My team continues to monitor announcements and news of any executive orders and policies implemented by the new administration and will continue to keep you posted.

The next few months will be busy as we enter the spring and summer construction season. We expect to build twelve single-family homes, twenty-four rehabs, three caribou cabins, and complete one model activity throughout thirteen villages in our region. The plan is to dry in five units to maximize the building season and keep our crew working throughout the winter on interior work, as well as to continue rehab's that keep families in homes, providing weatherization, electrical and mechanical upgrades to ensure the longevity and efficiency of the homes.

The methamphetamine epidemic continues to impact our communities. Our crews have been trained to test for and remediate methamphetamine to ensure we are putting families into clean homes. My team has researched the impact of fentanyl, and our crews will be certified to test and remediate fentanyl as well.

The IRHA executive team continues to advocate for housing-related legislation, advocating in Juneau and nationally on behalf housing-related issues such as NAHASDA reauthorization, NAHASDA funding, Build American, Buy America (BABA), Congressionally Designated Spending, as well as working to secure support for HUD officials to travel to our remote communities in Alaska to better understand the challenges our Tribes face.

In closing, I am most proud of the commitment of my team and the quality of work they provide. From our construction crews to our office support team who process applications from clients, to our project managers who ensure the work is done, to purchasing that negotiate contracts and lower prices, to our grant writer, it is because of their work and dedication that we continue to strive to improve our processes, and our product. I have an incredibly dedicated team that shows up, gets the work done, and builds 6-star quality homes.

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Eugene Paul



Patricia MacDonald, Kimberly Carlo, and Anna Powers, Senator Murkowski's Indian Affairs Team



Kimberly Carlo and Patricia MacDonald in front of the capital in Washington DC.



Lori Bishop with Senator Dan Sullivan and his wife, Julie Fate in Washington, DC

### Board of Commissioners

Speedy Sam  
*Chairperson*  
Huslia  
Seat C – Exp. 3/2025

William Chaaiy Albert  
*Vice-Chairperson*  
Northway  
Seat A – Exp. 3/2027



*Speedy Sam, Kimberly Carlo, Chaaiy Albert, Kristin Moreland, & Alfred Demientieff*

### Board of Commissioner Highlight—Chaaiy Albert

Kimberly Carlo  
*Secretary/Treasurer*  
Ft. Yukon  
Seat D – Exp. 3/2025



**William "Chaaiy" Albert,  
Board of Commissioner**

Kristen Moreland  
*Commissioner*  
Ft. Yukon  
Seat E – Exp. 3/2026

Alfred Joseph Demientieff  
*Commissioner*  
Holy Cross  
Seat B – Exp. 3/2027

William "Chaaiy" Albert Jr. is the son of Pam and William Albert of Northway, and the grandson of the late Ena and Kenny Albert, and the late Donna and Kenny Baker. Chaaiy was

raised in Northway, graduated from Walter Northway School, and has worked for his Tribe since graduation.

Chaaiy began his public service at the age of 28 when he was nominated for the Northway Tribal Council by an outgoing council member.

Chaaiy is married to his high school sweetheart, Amber, and together they have seven (7) beautiful children.

His family loves to spend time outside hunting and fishing.

They also enjoy basketball, attending concerts, and music festivals.

Chaaiy ran for the IRHA board of Commissioners because he wanted to be a part of a team that is producing amazing 6-star homes, and to learn more about housing and how to better serve out Tribes, as housing shortages and healthy homes are some of the most critical issues facing Alaska Native Tribal Communities, and all over.

## Employee Highlights

### Albert Lawson

Albert Lawson has been with the IRHA construction team for 14 years this summer. He was raised in Fairbanks and is a registered tribal member of the Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma. He lives in Fairbanks with his wife, Sue, and he has two (2) daughters.

Albert's construction career started with a family owned and operated construction company where they built homes here in the Fairbanks area with a majority of building

during the construction of the oil pipeline. He would work during the summers when he was off of school beginning in 1976, at the age 15.

Albert graduated in 1979 and moved to Washington state in the Yakima valley where he worked for a uncle learning concrete work, after a year and a half he moved back home to Fairbanks and has worked in the construction trade ever since.

Albert began working with IRHA in June 2011

and hopes to continue working at IRHA.

Albert says, "I began work here starting as a carpenter then foreman and into the office as a Project Manager and now to my new title as the Procurement and Logistics Manager is a great experience. I have had the pleasure of working with the best group of people in my career. I feel very fortunate to not only call the people at IRHA co-workers but my friends and work family."



**Albert Lawson**  
Procurement & Logistics Manager  
14 years at IRHA.

# IRHA is 94% Alaska Native/ American Indian Hire

## New Employee Highlight

### Welcome Our New Controller

#### Stacey Cortez

Stacey Cortez grew up in North Pole and now resides in Fairbanks with her two children. She enjoys the outdoors and staying active in her free time.

She joined IRHA in February 2025 as the Controller and is a member of the

Finance team. Stacey holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Stacey has 20 plus years of experience in business, and has worked extensively in finance and accounting. She has

worked with Golden Valley Electric Association, the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and Auto Trim Design. Stacey is a welcome addition to the team, and is excited about her future with IRHA and looks forward to contributing to its mission.



**Stacey Cortez**  
Controller  
Started February 2025 at IRHA.



Above: Mt. McKinley Bank Rep Jeremy Pletnikoff, Circle's 2nd Chief, Jessica Fields, with CEO, Eugene Paul, & CFO, Teodor Dornea at the newly built Circle home.

Below: IRHA staff luncheon



## Homeowner Education Corner: HOP/HOPE HOW TO

Purchasing a home is a dream for many, but for low-income families, it can often seem out of reach, especially when traditional home loans feel unattainable. Our Homeownership Program is designed to give you a chance at homeownership, even if you're unable to secure financing through conventional methods. We work with families who meet specific criteria set by the Interior Regional Housing Authority (IRHA) and HUD (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development), to help you find a safe, affordable home.

If you're an Alaska Native or American Indian family, and you're looking for a way to make homeownership possible, this step-by-step guide will help you navigate the application process and get you one step closer to owning your own home.

Before you begin the application process, it's important to confirm that you meet the basic eligibility requirements. Here's what you'll need to qualify for our Homeownership Program:

- **Income:** Your household income must be at or below the HUD income limits for your family size. These limits are updated annually, so make sure to check the current guidelines for your area.

- **Alaska Native or American Indian Status:** Applicants must be Alaska Native or American Indian, as defined by the program. You'll need to provide documentation of your heritage.
- **Steady Income:** You'll need to show that you have a reliable source of income to make monthly obligations payments. This can include employment income, Social Security or other regular income sources.
- **Age:** All applicants must be at least 18 years old.
- **Criminal Background Check:** A background check is required for all adults 18 or older in the household. This is a standard procedure to ensure safety for everyone in the community.

Once your application has been reviewed, you'll receive notification of whether you've been approved or denied. Here's what happens next:

- **If Approved:** Congratulations! If your application is approved, your application will now be scored by a points system then placed on the waiting list.
- **If Denied:** Don't be discouraged. If you're not approved, the reason for denial will be explained to you. In some cases, you may be able to appeal the decision or reapply once your circumstances change. You can always reach out to the Housing Program for support and advice

## HOP/HOPE HOW TO Continued

on the next steps.

The journey to homeownership is an exciting one, and while it may seem overwhelming at times, our Homeownership Program is here to guide you in every step of the way. By following these steps, you can increase your chances of being approved and, ultimately, move closer to securing a home for your

family.

If you have any questions about the application process, don't hesitate to reach out to our office. We're here to support you, and we're excited to help you achieve your dream of homeownership!

## What is NAHASDA?<sup>1</sup>

The Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) reorganized the system of housing assistance provided to Native Americans through the Department of Housing and Urban Development by eliminating several separate programs of assistance and replacing them with a block grant program. The two programs authorized for Indian tribes under NAHASDA are the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) which is a formula based grant program and Title VI Loan Guarantee which provides financing guarantees to Indian

tribes for private market loans to develop affordable housing. Regulations are published at 24 CFR Part 1000.

NAHASDA was amended in 2000 to add Title VIII-Housing Assistance for Native Hawaiians. The amendment to NAHASDA adds similar programs for Native Hawaiians who reside on Hawaiian Home Lands. Regulations for implementing Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant (NHHBG) program are published at 24 CFR Part 1006.

## Did You Know?

Section 184 Indian Home Loan Guarantee Program are available through financial institutions in your area. The Section 184 program was created in 1992 to help increase Native access to homeownership by providing a

guarantee to lenders on mortgage loans made to Native borrowers. Section 184 loans can be used for new construction, rehabilitation, purchase of an existing home, or refinance.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> What is NAHASDA?. NAHASDA | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). (n.d.). [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/ih/codetalk/nahasda](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/codetalk/nahasda)

<sup>2</sup> Section 184 Indian Home Loan Guarantee Program. NAHASDA | HUD.gov / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). (n.d.-a). [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/ih/codetalk/nahasda](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/codetalk/nahasda)

Below Pictures:  
IRHA upper management staff speaking at a FNA Board of Directors meeting.



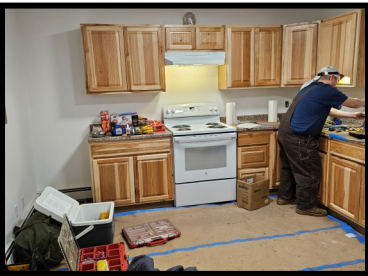
Below:  
Eugene Paul, IRHA CEO, speaking to the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce.



### Huslia Fire Rebuild – A Community Working Together



The loss of a home is devastating to the family, and the community. When it happens in the village it impacts everyone. The loss of the home in Huslia in 2024 due to a fire displaced a family as winter was approaching.



Because of the dedication of the Huslia Tribal Council, the construction crew in Huslia, and the construction team at the Interior Regional Housing Authority the family was able to move home to celebrate Christmas.



While 2024 brought much loss, it ended with the family planning for the future.

IRHA was able to establish budgets,

order supplies and have them shipped via the last barge of the season. The Huslia crew completed the demo and cleaned the debris from the fire to prepare the building site for building. When the building materials arrived in Huslia, crews were able to begin work immediately, and had the frame closed in by the time the snow arrived. It was a culmination of hard work, and coordinated efforts of many people to complete the home.

CEO Eugene Paul and the IRHA staff were able to travel to Huslia and hand over the keys to a very excited family.

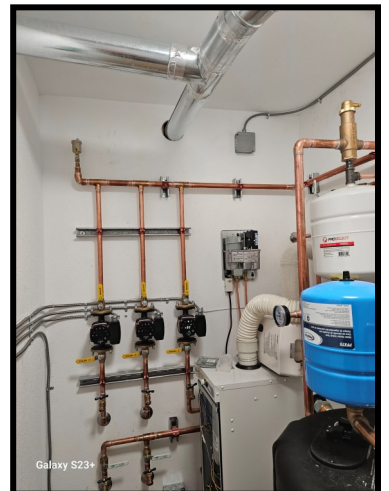
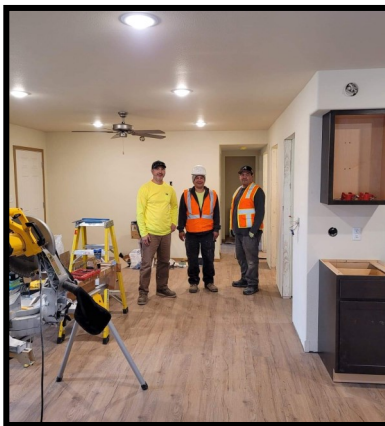


## Huslia Fire Rebuild – A Community Working Together Continued

A special thank you goes out to everyone who worked on this project. To the Huslia Tribal Council, and the IRHA Board of Commissioners who worked together to ensure the staff in Huslia and in Fairbanks were able to make this happen. Thank you to the warehouse and

procurement team, project managers, laborers, carpenters, electricians, and the plumbers for their hard work, and coordinated efforts to complete this project.

This project was a wonderful example of what can be done when we work together.



## Home Ventilation (Cold Climate Housing Research Center<sup>3</sup>)



### JOKE TIME QUESTION:

**How does a penguin  
build its house?**

**(answer on next  
page)**

### Indoor Air Quality

Indoor air quality refers to the quality of the atmosphere in a building, including temperature, humidity, and the amount of pollutants such as carbon dioxide, radon, volatile organic compounds and particulate matter.

You hear about it more these days because homes are being built more airtight and better insulated than ever before. While this means heating bills are smaller, it also means that passive air leakage through the building envelope doesn't provide sufficient ventilation to get rid of the airborne pollutants inside the home.

First let's look at temperature and humidity, key factors that determine whether occupants are comfortable and healthy indoors. While temperature is usually regulated by the heating system, water vapor is produced by daily activities such as breathing, cooking, and showering (houseplants and pets kick in more as well).

Some humidity is desirable (30-40% relative humidity is recommended) because it keeps skin and sinuses from becoming too dry, stops static build-up, and helps with conditions like asthma. High humidity, however, can cause problems for the house as well as its occupants.

Humidity levels above 40 percent in winter in a very cold climate like Alaska can lead to condensation within the building envelope, which

promotes the growth of mold, mildew and rot, and humidity above 60% any time of the year provides growing conditions for bacteria, viruses, and fungi.

How is Indoor Air Quality improved in homes?

It's a multifaceted issue. Healthy indoor air quality means not only keeping certain things out of the house-like gas appliances or chemicals-but also providing good air exchange continually through ventilation.

The two basic types of ventilation are described below:

Local ventilation is used in high-pollution areas like kitchens and bathrooms in order to remove unpleasant air before it migrates to other areas of the house. This is typically achieved using exhaust ventilation, such as range hoods and bath fans, which also serves to control humidity levels. These devices can be controlled by switches or run on a timer.

Whole-house ventilation dilutes pollutants that are unavoidable, such as compounds released by furnishings and bio-effluents from people in the home. In the past, when homes were not built as tight as today, whole-house ventilation typically relied on natural air leakage. In these types of homes, even without mechanical ventilation there can still be a lot of airflow in and out of the home.

For example, wind and temperature

<sup>3</sup> Ventilation overview: Cold climate housing research center. Cold Climate Housing Research Center | Healthy & Sustainable Housing for Alaska. <https://cchrc.org/ventilation-overview/>

## Home Ventilation continued

differences create natural pressure gradients that move air through windows or the building envelope. However, this strategy is not sufficient in homes with lots of insulation and quality air sealing because they block most of the air leakage (which is why they're so efficient!)

Whatever your strategy for ventilation, make sure it's properly maintained and that outdoor air vents are open and unblocked.



## Build America Buy America (BABA) Compliance

The BABA Act requires that any federally funded infrastructure projects must comply with domestic preference requirements of buying material produced in the United States of America.

-plex or larger, and any model activity will still need to be compliant with the BABA guidelines.

Exceptions: building size between a single-family home to a 4-plex is not required to be BABA compliant.

So, the homes and duplexes constructed by IRHA are excluded from the requirements.

Any project/building the size of a 5

For more information on the BABA Act and compliance please visit:

[BABA Quick Guides - HUD Exchange](https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/baba/quick-guides/), [www.hudexchange.info/programs/baba/quick-guides/](https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/baba/quick-guides/)

[Build America, Buy America \(BABA\) Overview | US EPA](https://www.epa.gov/baba/build-america-buy-america-baba-overview#act), [www.epa.gov/baba/build-america-buy-america-baba-overview#act](https://www.epa.gov/baba/build-america-buy-america-baba-overview#act)



## Indian Housing Plan (IHP) submission

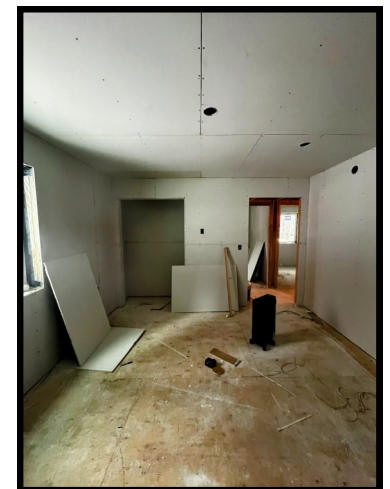
The Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) of 1996 established the Indian Housing Plan (IHP). The IHP is a plan created by a tribally designated housing entity (TDHE) to outline how they will use the Tribe's yearly allocated Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) to develop affordable housing.

During a 2024 Fall Subregional meeting, a tribe requested to see a draft IHP yearly prior to submission.

Since there has been a request to send out a draft Indian Housing Plan prior to submission for review

starting with the 2026 IHP, please start discussing the projects your Tribe would like to accomplish in the 2026 season. As the Interior of Alaska's Tribally Designated Housing Authority (TDHE), IRHA will compile the information given to us by each Tribe within IRHA and send a draft by September to the Tribes to review if all information is received in a timely manner from all Tribes.

A 2026 IHP letter to Tribes will be sent out early in 2025 requesting the Certification, Activities Resolution, and Tribal Resolution.



**JOKE TIME ANSWER:**

**Igloos it together.**

**(question on previous page)**



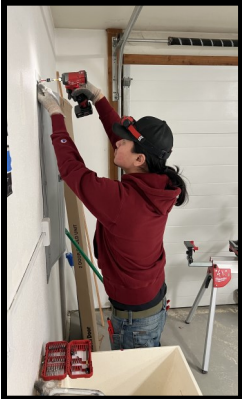
## Interior Regional Housing Authority Strategic Plan

**Core Mission:** Provide tribal housing opportunities to positively impact housing needs

**Core Values:** Innovation-Respect-Honesty-Accountability-Service

### **Our Impact:**

In providing housing opportunities within our communities, the IRHA plays an important role in supporting local and regional economies, building community, improving environmental sustainability, fostering workforce development, stemming outmigration, and strengthening the quality of life for our tribes and tribal members.



### **Envisioned Future (2030):**

By the end of the decade the IRHA envisions an inspiring future in which our organization is widely recognized as the Tribally Designated Housing Entity of the interior communities in the Tanana Chief Conference region through innovation and partnerships.

The IRHA is committed to making our communities a healthier place for tribal members to live, work, nurture their families, while honoring culture and traditions. A vital component of our vision is ensuring that the IRHA has a strong internal structure, solid financial foundation, sustainable resources to fully honor our Core Purpose in accordance with our Core Values.

To achieve the Envisioned Future by the end of the decade, the IRHA will focus primarily on several interconnected Strategic Operating Priorities which will be reevaluated to achieve our Core Purpose.

### **Strategic Operation Priorities (2025 – 2027):**

- **Priority – Increase Tribal Engagement:** Build stronger, cohesive, and positive relationships with our tribes and partners.
- **Priority – Expand Program Reach and Impacts:** Expand the vision for the IRHA programs and services, through innovation, partnerships, advertisement, and advocacy.
- **Priority – Enhancing Critical Partnerships:** Build new and reinforce existing partnerships which will enable the IRHA to achieve its Envisioned Future.
- **Priority – Adjust Internal Operations:** The IRHA will monitor internal operations, policies and procedures, and regulations to ensure efficiency, compliance, and productivity of the organization.
- **Priority – Strengthen Strong Governance and Leadership:** Cultivate and network advocacy opportunities and unity with the Board of Commissioners for effective governance and leadership.
- **Priority – Ensure Sustainable Staffing:** Focus on the IRHA team for maximum retention, strong and consistent staffing, mentoring, and a unified team to provide services that meet the organizations operations and mission.
- **Priority – Grow a Solid Financial Foundation:** Build a diverse funding stream for the IRHA with a focus on unrestricted earned revenue and pursuing assistance for financial appropriations for tribes and client services.

## Radon Testing—Free Kits Available through UAF

Radon (RN) is a naturally occurring radioactive gas release in rock, soil, and water from the natural decay of uranium.<sup>4</sup> While the threat of radon in the air outside is minimal, radon in your home can be extremely harmful. You cannot see, smell, or taste it, however an elevated radon level in your home may impact the health of your family. One out of 15 homes have high radon levels. Testing for radon is vital and experts suggest testing every five (5) years.

Testing for radon typically is better to do in the winter due to the need to keep your doors and windows closed for an extended amount of time to have an accurate test. Opening the door for short intervals, like to leave and come home will not affect the test.

The State of Alaska has free Radon

testing kits available upon request.

For radon kit information, please contact:

Paul Goodfellow  
Alaska Division of Geological & Geophysical Surveys  
Geological Materials Center  
3651 Penland Pkwy  
Anchorage, AK 99508  
(907) 269-6401  
Paul.goodfellow@alaska.gov

For general questions about radon, testing, and building repair and mitigation, please contact:

Art Nash. University of Alaska Fairbanks' Cooperative Extension Service.  
alnashjr@alaska.gov

<https://www.uaf.edu/ces/home-environment/radon/>

<https://dggs.alaska.gov/webpubs/dggs/ic/text/ico82.pdf>

## 2025 Construction Season Recruitment

The IRHA is accepting applications for the upcoming 2025 construction season. Applications and job descriptions can be downloaded at [www.irha.org](http://www.irha.org) under Careers.

Available Positions:

- Carpenters
- Laborers
- Electricians

Submit your application to :

Vcruger@irha.org.

To be considered for employment you must submit a 2025 application. Applications are retained until the end of each calendar year.

Contact information:

Phone: 907-452-8315  
Toll Free 1-800-478-4742  
Fax: 907-452-3119

828 27th Avenue  
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<sup>4</sup> UAF Cooperative Extension Service. (n.d.). *Naturally Occurring Radon in Alaska*. Department of Natural Resources GEOLOGICAL & GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS. <https://dggs.alaska.gov/webpubs/dggs/ic/text/ico25.pdf>

## Welcome Home

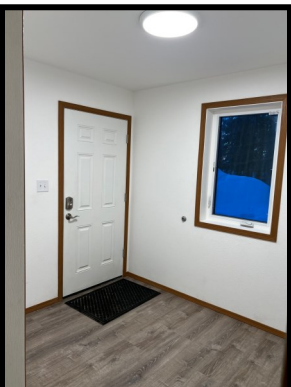
### Circle—Alexa John



Alexa John and her 2 teenage sons received the finished home in Circle in January

IRHA CEO, Eugene Paul, handing the keys over to Alexa's oldest son Esau, January 8, 2025.

### Fairbanks—Latoshia Graham



Latoshia and her three (3) children received their home in January.

“It means a lot to have a home of my own. No neighbors. I’ve always wanted a home where the kids can play outside.”



Below:  
 IRHA Staff and Board of  
 Commissioners meeting  
 with legislature



### Communities We Serve

- |             |            |                 |
|-------------|------------|-----------------|
| Alatna      | Holy Cross | Shageluk        |
| Allakaket   | Huslia     | Stevens Village |
| Anvik       | Hughes     | Takotna         |
| Beaver      | Kaltag     | Tanacross       |
| Birch Creek | Koyukuk    | Telida          |
| Chalkyitsik | Manley     | Tetlin          |
| Circle      | Minto      | Doyon:          |
| Dot Lake    | McGrath    | Tok             |
| Eagle       | Nenana     | Canyon Village  |
| Evansville  | Nikolai    | Medfra          |
| Grayling    | Northway   | Fairbanks       |
| Healy Lake  | Ruby       | Lake Minchumina |

**Joke Time:**

**What did the wall say  
 to the other wall?**

*Meeting at the corner*

## Thank you to our Community Partners



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