INDIGENOUS INDEPENDENT HOUSING

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The Yellowknives Dene First Nation Housing Division vision is:

Every Yellowknives Dene First Nation member and his or her family are entitled to live independently, in an affordable house suited to their needs.

The Yellowknives Dene First Nation Housing Division purpose is:

- to advise and educate the Yellowknives Dene First Nation leadership and membership in the development of a Yellowknives Dene First Nation designed and administered housing program
- to administer and maintain 73 public housing and senior home units in Ndilo and Dettah on behalf of the NWT Housing Corporation,
- to provide general maintenance services for all Yellowknives Dene First Nation owned buildings.

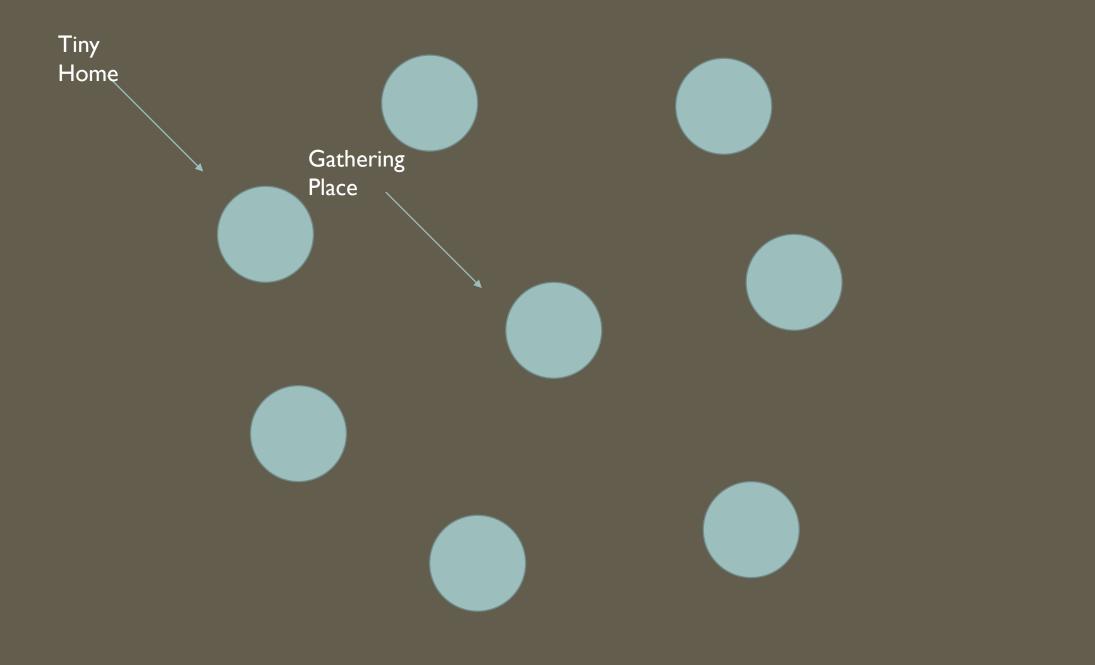












The United Nations Rights of Indigenous Peoples Article 21(1) states that Indigenous people have the right, without discrimination, to the improvement of their economic and social conditions, including, inter alia, in the areas of education, employment, vocational training and retraining, housing, sanitation, health and social security and that 21(2) states shall take effective measures and, where appropriate, special measures to ensure continuing improvement of their economic and social condition. Particular attention shall be paid to the rights and special needs of Indigenous elders, woman, youth, children and persons with disabilities.











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