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**CEO December Newsletter Message**  
**First Nations Housing Professionals Association**

Kwey Kwey FNHPA Members,

As we prepare to welcome a new year, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for being part of the FNHPA family throughout 2025. This past year has been one of significant growth, collaboration, and meaningful progress in housing across First Nations, and it would not have been possible without your dedication and support.

One of the most memorable highlights of our year was the 4th Annual FNHPA National Conference in Saskatoon. If you are already missing all the hype and excitement like I am, or if you were not able to join us this year, you can check out a recap here: [\(1\) Instagram](#). With more than 450 delegates from across the country, the energy, knowledge sharing, and sense of unity were truly inspiring. From the workshops to the plenaries, to the convocation ceremony, the conference reflected the passion and innovation of our growing community and family.

I want to once again extend a sincere thank you to every participant who took the time to attend, engage, and contribute. Thank you to our speakers and facilitators for sharing your insight and experience. Thank you to our exhibitors for creating a vibrant space for learning and connection. And a very special thank you to our generous and committed sponsors, whose support continues to make this gathering possible and impactful. Your commitment plays a vital role in strengthening housing capacity and leadership across First Nations.

As we look ahead to 2026, I am filled with hope and excitement. We will continue to build new resources, including our Learning Management Pathway Assessment and Learning Pathway Tool, and expand opportunities, support, and education for housing teams nationwide. Together, we are shaping a future where strong, safe, and sustainable housing is supported by skilled and empowered staff in every community.

On behalf of the entire FNHPA team, I wish you and your loved ones a warm, restful, and joyful holiday season. May the new year bring good health, renewed energy, and continued success.

Kitchi Miigwetch for your ongoing support. Here is to another year of working together to strengthen and advance our industry nationwide.

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