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Research the Housing Policy

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Before you write your housing policy, make sure you understand what works and what's important to your community. This research is an important step, as it'll give you a better idea of what to include in your policy.

Look at other First Nation housing policies

Other First Nation communities may already have good examples of housing policies that have been implemented successfully. Before starting to write your own policy, ask other communities if they would share theirs with you. You'll want to take a close look at the topics and procedures included in their policies. This will also give you a good idea of the different wording that can be used when writing housing policies.

Talk and listen to your community members

Research also includes talking to those that will be guided by the housing policy. It's important to ask community members what they think should be included. Ask for their input on how difficult housing situations should be handled.

By listening to community members, you'll get suggestions and their support for the housing policy. Open, transparent consultations allow everybody to participate and take pride in their community. They'll be more likely to support the policy once it's developed, even if they don't agree with all of it.

Ask staff what they think

Beyond community members, housing staff should also be consulted. Staff have a lot of information about housing in the community and will have good suggestions for the housing policy. They can also let you know if they think your ideas can be realistically implemented.

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