

## FAQ'S Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can I apply for the program for a rental property?

A: No, the application has to be made by the home owner. The homeowner must reside in the home themselves.

Q: My child is 18 years old, do they still count as a child in the home?

A: Yes, households with children up to the age of 26 are eligible.

Q: Can I apply to get reimbursed for renovations I've already done on my home?

A: No, we can not reimburse you for prior renovation work.

Q: Can I apply online?

A: The preliminary request form to confirm eligibility can be found online on [kahnawake.com/Housing](http://kahnawake.com/Housing). However, the program application has to be picked up in person.

Q: Am I able to apply if I have shared custody of my child?

A: You will be eligible to apply for the program if you have shared custody. You will be asked to provide details on this arrangement in the program application form.

Q: What are my chances of being selected for the program?

A: Your chances of getting selected depend on the number of applications we receive. The program is competitive and last year 1 out of 3 applicants were selected.



Q: What kind of repairs are eligible under this program?

A: Selected applicants are given an inspection report detailing the deficiencies of their home. Any repairs made through the program must correspond to the issues identified in the report.

Q: If I'm selected for this program, do I receive my grant in full?

A: No, the grant is made in installments and paid directly to the participant's selected contractor. Payment is based on progress.

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# 2026

## ISC CFS RENOVATION PROGRAM

*A renovation program for families with children*

**DEADLINE TO APPLY**

**FRIDAY MAY 22nd, 2026 at 4:00 PM**



## PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

The purpose of the ISC CFS Home Renovation Program is to improve the health and safety of privately owned homes that have one or more children in the household. This program is funded through Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) Child and Family Services (CFS).

## SELECTION

Selected program participants will receive a one time \$40,000 renovation grant to address health and safety issues in their home.

Selection is based on the following criteria:

- Condition of the house
- House Age/history
- Household income
- Household composition
- Year of Application Submission

## NEW!

Selected applicants experiencing overcrowding may be eligible for the new **Overcrowding Supplement**. The Overcrowding Supplement is to support the creation of new bedrooms and/or bathrooms while still allowing the program participants to address other health and safety issues in their home. Applicants interested in the Overcrowding Supplement are asked to fill out a special section in the application form. The supplement will be granted based on an evaluation of the family composition and number and size of existing bedrooms/bathrooms.

**The ISC CFS Program is very competitive. Last year, 1 out of every 3 applicants were selected.**

## ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ Must provide proof of homeownership
- ✓ Must be on the KKR
- ✓ Must be in good standing with the MCK
- ✓ Household must have at least one child age 26 or younger as of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026



## IS THE PROGRAM RIGHT FOR ME?



### High Level of Action

Selected applicants are required to manage all aspects of the contractor selection process including: researching contractors, reaching out to them, requesting quotes, negotiating prices, etc.



### Difficult Decisions

Selected participants may be required to make difficult decisions regarding prioritizing their home repairs, selection and negotiations with contractors, personal finances, and/or addressing unforeseen renovation challenges



### Time Commitment

Selected participants are likely to experience time-consuming processes including but not limited to: regular calls, meetings, and site visits from contractors and/or Housing Unit Staff members.

## OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAM PROCESS

1) Applicant submits preliminary request

Housing Unit verifies eligibility

2) Eligible Applicant submits full application

Housing Unit schedules inspection

3) Eligible Applicant participates in a house inspection

Housing Unit notifies applicant of selection

4) Selected Participant receives inspection report and begins reaching out to contractors for quotes

5) Participant submits contractor quotes, meets with the Housing Unit, and selects a contractor

Contractor quotes & work descriptions are reviewed by the Housing Unit and may require several revisions

6) Participant signs final approval documents and renovations are allowed to begin!