

Futures committee starts initial phase

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ty futures program is "to assist communities in their efforts to identify, develop, and implement measures to help individuals adjust to their economic environment and to expand employment".

The News talked with the Coordinator of the committee, Leslie Dickson, and the government consultant to the committee, Julie Fels, in the new Futures office located behind and below the Bank of Commerce in Terrace Bay.

The women told the News that Terrace Bay and Schreiber are one-industry towns that are vul-

nerable to the boom and bust cycle.

The Futures committee is interested in the survival of the area and the creation of employment in the area.

The committee would like to see a viable business sector that would compliment local employers, diversify the economy and make the area less vulnerable to the boom and bust cycle.

The committee, in its six-month phase, will assess and analyze the area's situation in hopes of determining what the towns should do and what direction they should go, said Fels.

Dickson told the News the intent of the six-month period is to assess if there are needs and

problems.

If there are, she said, the committee will determine whether these needs can be met through the futures program on a longer than six-month period.

Part of Leslie Dickson's job in the next six months will be to identify all business people and assess their needs, in terms of employment and training.

Dickson will also look at opportunities for new entrepreneurship, the past and present unemployment situation in the area, as well as attempting to predict the future of these areas.

"The committee hopes to get a general overview (of all these areas)," Dickson said.

Another example of what Dickson will do is to see if local employers have training needs for their employees. If so, she will make arrangements to get a program on line that will cater to that need.

Dickson will be undertaking a business survey to feel out the business environment.

After six months

Dickson and Fels told the News that if the six-month period does show that a longer term of assistance from the program is needed, there are several options the committee can take.

One is the Business

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Futures staff

The new Futures office is staffed by the talented hands of Leslie Dickson, left, and Donna Richardson, right. The office is located below and behind the Bank of Commerce in Terrace Bay. Ken Lusk photo.

Creating Non-Profit Housing in Your Community: The Whos, Whats, Wheres, Whens and Whys

In 1989, the Governments of Canada and Ontario together will help in the production of 6,700 new non-profit housing units in communities across this province.

Organizations interested in developing much needed non-profit housing in Ontario should prepare to apply today.

Preliminary deadlines are as early as March 31, 1988.

The non-profit housing units will be funded by the Government of Canada through **Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation**, and the Province of Ontario through the **Ministry of Housing**.

The program is open to all non-profit housing organizations—municipal, private and co-operative.

Government grants may be available to help local community groups establish non-profit housing corporations.

As well, non-profit corporations may receive financial assistance to secure land sites for their proposed projects.

The program is designed to assist in the development of:

Preliminary applications for this category must be submitted by April 29, 1988.

2 Housing for low-income singles.

A portion of the units will be reserved for low-income single persons.

Preliminary applications for organizations wishing to sponsor such projects must be submitted by April 29, 1988.

3 Housing for those needing support services.

A number of units will be designed for people with support service needs.

Included are those with disabilities—physical, developmental or psychiatric; the frail elderly, battered women and other socially disadvantaged persons.

For groups interested in developing this housing, a special orientation will be held in February at each Regional Office of the Ministry of Housing.

Preliminary applications for this category must be submitted by March 31, 1988.

Eligibility depends on the degree and nature of care provided.

For more information and application packages, contact the nearest Regional Office of the Ministry of Housing listed below:

1 Housing for those in need.

Non-profit agencies can use the program to help create affordable housing for those in need.

Included in this category are families, senior citizens, physically-disabled persons, developmentally-handicapped individuals, and persons who have left institutionalized psychiatric care.

HIGHVIEW ANIMAL CLINIC

Dr. Benz and Dr. Peterson will be in Terrace Bay Feb. 24 and 25 1988. Surgery will be on the 24th. The clinic will be held in the TERRACE BAY COMMUNITY CHURCH HALL.

For appointments, please phone Ann Hara, 825-9010.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

NOTICE TO CREDIT UNION MEMBERS. (We are moving our offices)

Effective Feb. 1, 1988 Schreiber Community Credit Union Office will be located at 303 Scotia Street. (next to Spadoni's Department Store)

The Credit Union will open for business as usual Feb. 2, 1988 at 10 a.m.

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