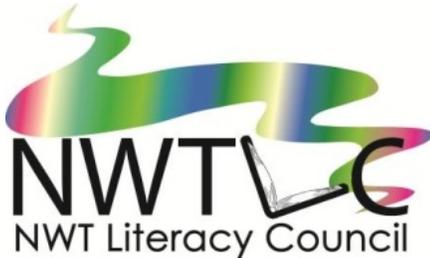


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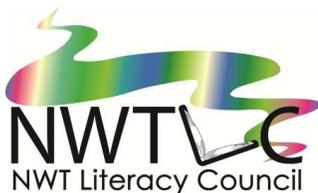
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## Our Blog

How does making something out of duct tape help increase youth literacy and essential skills? How can a cooking class develop literacy skills beyond just reading a recipe and measuring ingredients? Can digital technology get young people interested in learning again? The answers were covered in our recent *Skill Builders for Youth* training event...[Read more](#)

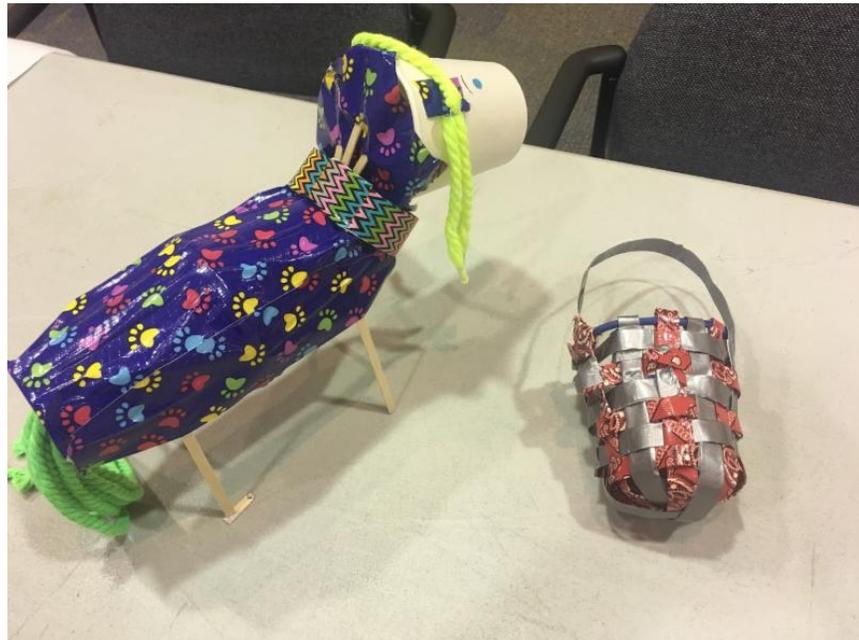


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We support literacy and essential skills in all the official languages of the Northwest Territories.

We're also plain language specialists.

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## Announcements and Events

## Support Literacy

**Join us tonight at the NorthWords Festival opening**

We're sponsoring the opening event for this year's

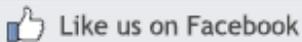


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- Take part in literacy activities in your community

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[NorthWords Writers Festival](#). Join us in Ndilo for a barbeque and stories tonight. Festivities begin at 5 pm.

## Literacy awards open for nomination

The [NWT Ministerial Literacy Awards](#) honour the literacy achievements of NWT youth learners, exceptional educators and organizations. The [Council of the Federation Literacy Award](#) honours the achievements of an adult learner. Nominations for the literacy awards close on June 16, 2017.

## Have your say on the small communities job survey

The Department of Education, Culture and Employment is developing its first small community employment strategy. One objective of the strategy is to create sustainable solutions to ensure residents of each community can acquire real skills and knowledge through training that leads to employment. You can complete a [survey](#) to have your voice heard.

## On-the-land training available

The [NWT Recreation and Parks Association](#) and [Northern Youth](#) are offering wilderness first aid or other training for people who provide on-the-land programs. The training is in June.

## Funding

### City of Yellowknife Heritage Project Funding

Among other activities, the Heritage Committee provides limited funding for groups with projects that celebrate Yellowknife's history and culture. This funding has been used to create heritage photo displays, heritage mobile applications, and heritage-related public art displays, but new ideas are always welcome!

To apply, complete [form](#) and submit to [jlarsen@yellowknife.ca](mailto:jlarsen@yellowknife.ca) or drop it off at City Hall by June 30, 2017.

### Apply now for money for seniors programs

Does your group want to help seniors make a difference in the lives of others and in their communities? Do you have a project that could be led or inspired by seniors? The deadline for [New Horizons for Seniors](#) funding for community projects is June 23, 2017.

## News, Opinion, and Research

### Federal gov't promises millions to Nunavut, N.W.T. for Indigenous language services

The federal government has promised millions to Nunavut and the Northwest Territories to support and

preserve Indigenous language services until 2020..[Read more](#)

### **Aurora College gets nearly \$10.6M for new facility, campus solar power project**

Two Aurora College campuses will get new infrastructure after a multi-million dollar funding announcement from the federal and territorial governments..[Read more](#)

### **Send stories to us!**

There is about one month left to submit stories to the SSDEC's 2nd Annual Children's Storytelling Contest. The chosen story(s) will be published in print in Chipewyan, Cree and Slavey...Oh and the author will receive \$500...[Read more](#)...

## **Resources and Websites**

### **NWT Aboriginal Languages Framework**

[A shared responsibility](#)

### **ConnectSafely**

[Educator and parent guides on internet privacy and security](#)

### **New First Nations and Inuit Wellness Help Line**

[1-855-242-3310](#)