

# Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

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## **Wiikwemkoong RHT Per Capita Distribution Update**

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Wiikwemkoong administration continues to work on the PCD (per capita distribution) payments for Wiikwemkoong Band Membership.

We are happy to say that we have now processed 6022 PCD payments to Band Members.

There are still numerous Band Member PCD application files being worked on – most of which need to be rectified because submissions by Band Members contained either missing or erroneous information. There are also new PCD submissions coming in from eligible Band Members on a regular basis.

If you have not received your PCD payment yet, please call WUT administration's RHT phone line: 705-688-6680. When you call, you MUST have your 10-digit status card number ready so that your information can be accessed immediately.

You can also send your inquiry through email: [RHT@wiikwemkoong.ca](mailto:RHT@wiikwemkoong.ca).

For emails, you MUST put into the Subject line, in this order:

- 10-digit status card number, LAST name, FIRST name.

PCD payments are issued weekly every Friday. That means cheques are mailed out and direct deposits are made on Fridays. Please remember that cheques may take a few days to receive whereas the direct deposits are immediate.

Regarding PCD cheques, we continue to encourage Band Members who do not have a bank account to try their best to open one. We have received concerns from Band Members who have opted to cash their PCD cheques at 'quick cheque cashing' institutions.

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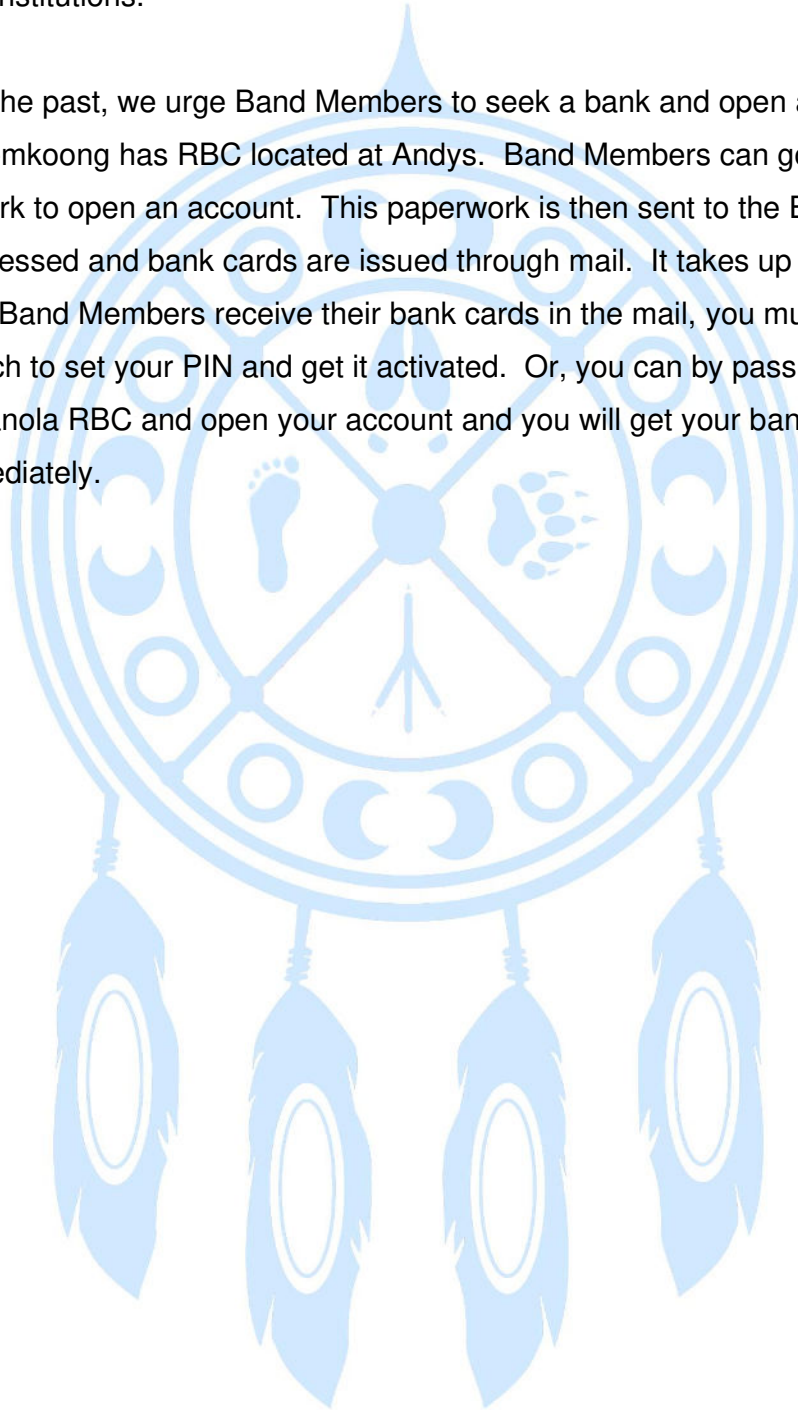
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The concern is that these institutions apply a significant fee in order to cash cheques. That means our Band Members are losing a significant amount of their RHT PCD just by using these types of institutions.

As we have in the past, we urge Band Members to seek a bank and open a new account. Locally, Wiikwemkoong has RBC located at Andys. Band Members can go there to fill out all the paperwork to open an account. This paperwork is then sent to the Espanola branch where it is processed and bank cards are issued through mail. It takes up to 10 days to receive. Once Band Members receive their bank cards in the mail, you must go to the Espanola branch to set your PIN and get it activated. Or, you can by pass the wait and go directly to Espanola RBC and open your account and you will get your bank card and activate it immediately.

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