PUBLIC SAFETY UNIT ANNOUNCEMENT

Winter is on its way, be prepared!

(Kahnawake – 15, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2017) With winter weather just around the corner, the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke Public Safety Unit, in conjunction with Public Works, is encouraging community members to be prepared.

Homeowners should properly prepare their homes to avoid damages caused by the extreme cold by:

•   Sealing cracks and crevices in the foundations of older homes; closing up any cellar/crawl space windows, and ensuring that skirts under mobile homes are properly closed up.

•   Installing foam sleeves on water lines with heat tape (be sure it is plugged in and functioning properly)

•   Shutting off the water supply to outside taps and leaving the outside valve open

If you have previously experienced freezing pipes after extremely cold weather, it is recommended that you leave a cold water tap trickling when the temperature drops to extreme lows.

During extreme cold, it is recommended to remain indoors as much as possible to avoid injury from frostbite and hypothermia and keep your pets in mind as well. If it's cold for you, it's cold for your pet.

Click here for a full list of symptoms and treatments for Cold Injury. Also, visit the Emergency Preparedness page on kahnawake.com.

The community is also asked to report any damages to property (public & private) caused by extreme weather to the Public Safety Unit at **450-632-0635**. They will advise Public Works of any damages to public property and offer advice to private property owners on next steps.