



SIRIVIK
**2023
ANNUAL
REPORT**



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Introduction

The year 2023 was defined by ambitious objectives and continued growth for Sirivik. This report not only reflects the achievements of the past year but also our commitment to continuous improvement, as we strive to raise our standards and be more rigorous in managing, operating, and achieving great things at Sirivik.

A primary objective of the past year was securing the final amounts required for the new building project. Through collective and determined effort, we lead the way in finalizing and breaking ground on our new facility, marking a crucial milestone in our commitment to the community.

Simultaneously, we maintained our regular activities and services, providing ongoing support to the community through a wide array of food programming. In 2023, Sirivik took the first steps towards expanding our activities beyond Inukjuak, offering cooking workshops in two other Nunavik villages.

We remain immensely proud of our work and our passionate and committed team, who worked diligently through out the year to contribute to food security in our community.

About us

Our Story

A dedicated group of volunteers and a whole lot of heart planted the seed of Sirivik in 2013. In its early days Sirivik was a community kitchen program at the local Family House; a group of compassionate individuals distributing meals on a monthly basis to Inukjuammiut. During that time the need to have more permanent and reliable food services in our community became apparent. As a result after 5 successful years of growth the 'Sirivik Soup Kitchen' opened the doors of its very own facility and operational kitchen in April of 2018!

In the time since Sirivik has continued to flourish. We became a registered non-profit organization in May of 2020. We dropped our 'Soup Kitchen' title to better encapsulate the scope of our work. Operating as a food centre we are able to provide a wider array of programs and initiatives, finding creative solutions to addressing food security in our community.

Our name Sirivik comes from the expression we use in Inuktitut to demonstrate our gratitude and excitement before sharing a meal.

We continue to evolve our program to better meet the needs of our community, as Inukjuak continues to grow and change so will we. Contributing to an Inuit led food system that prioritizes our needs and celebrates our culture and community.

Mission

We're building community through food, as a space for Nunavimmiut to learn, grow and share together.

Vision

Sirivik's vision is a healthy, empowered and food sovereign Nunavik

84% of Inuit living in the Hudson Bay region of Nunavik are food insecure

84%

According to the 2017
Qanuilorpitaa? Health Survey



Our Team

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Bobby Tukai
Samwillie Tullaugak
Ariel Valade
Sandy Williams
Annie Augiak
Joanassie Oweetaluktuk

Program Impact



Program participants



Cooking classes



Community meals served



Activities on the land

2023 Special Projects

Wilderness First Aid Training

In partnership with Inukrock, Sirivik employees had the opportunity to travel to la Montagne d'Argent in the Laurentians for a 4-day wilderness first aid training. The staff participated in team building activities, learned new outdoor skills, and obtained first aid accreditation. Sirivik land based programs can now rely on 4 new first aid professionals.



Ulluriat & Uquutaq Culture Week Hunting Expedition

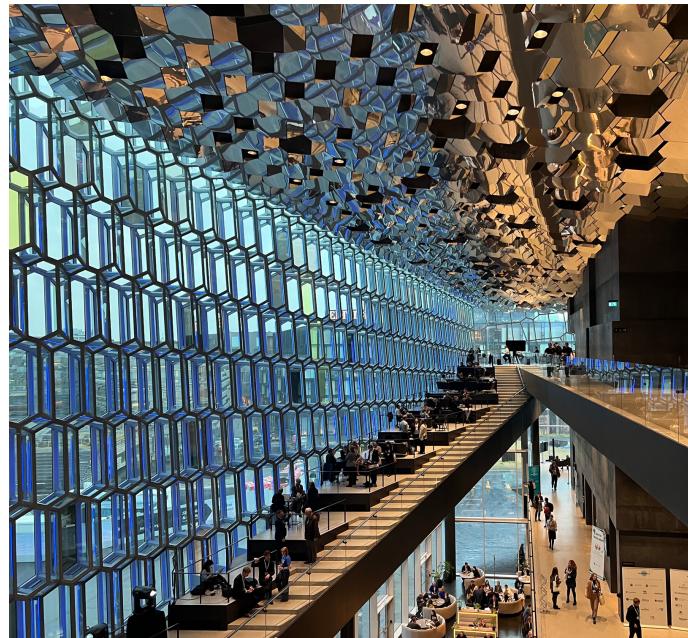
Sirivik funded and participated in a week-long hunting expedition for Culture Week, enhancing students' hands on experience and fostering a connection to traditional skills and the land.



2023 Special Projects

Arctic Circle Assembly

Sirivik had the opportunity to attend the Arctic Circle Assembly in Iceland. Over the course of 3 days of conferences, we engaged in extensive networking, learned about the challenges and solutions faced by other Northern communities, while also advocating for Inuit food sovereignty. Drawing significant inspiration from this experience, we have used it to inform the establishment of our short, medium, and long-term strategic objectives.



Icelandic Food System

Sirivik gained valuable insights by visiting key players in the Icelandic food system. Despite the abundance of geothermal energy, Icelandic food projects face many similar challenges including harsh weather, remote communities and high cost of living. Meeting with project stakeholders provided us with a fresh perspective, key contacts and new solutions to the challenges we face within our own community.



New Facility Update

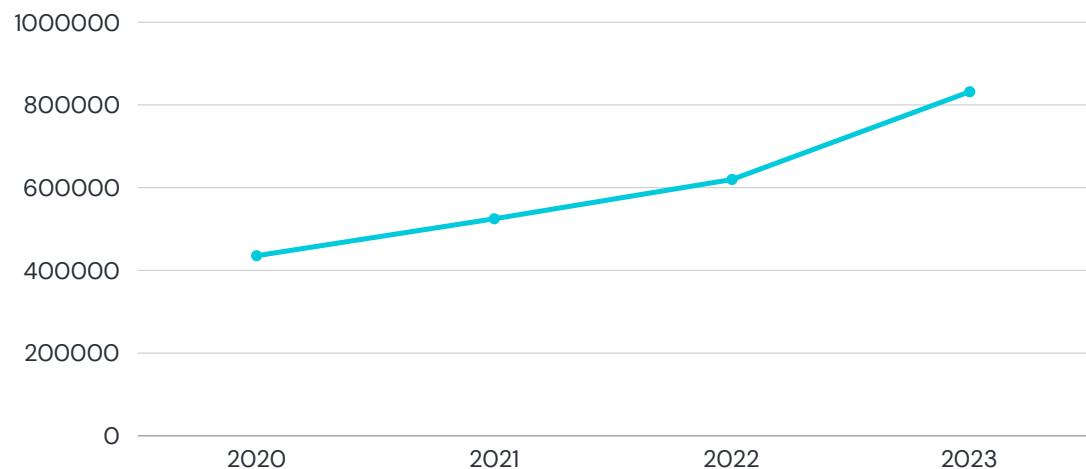
In early 2023, all necessary funds were secured for our new building development, and construction commenced in late fall. Site preparation and levelling was completed just before the first snow fall.

With a total building cost of 8.1 million dollars, we anticipate opening our doors in the spring of 2025.



Operation Spending

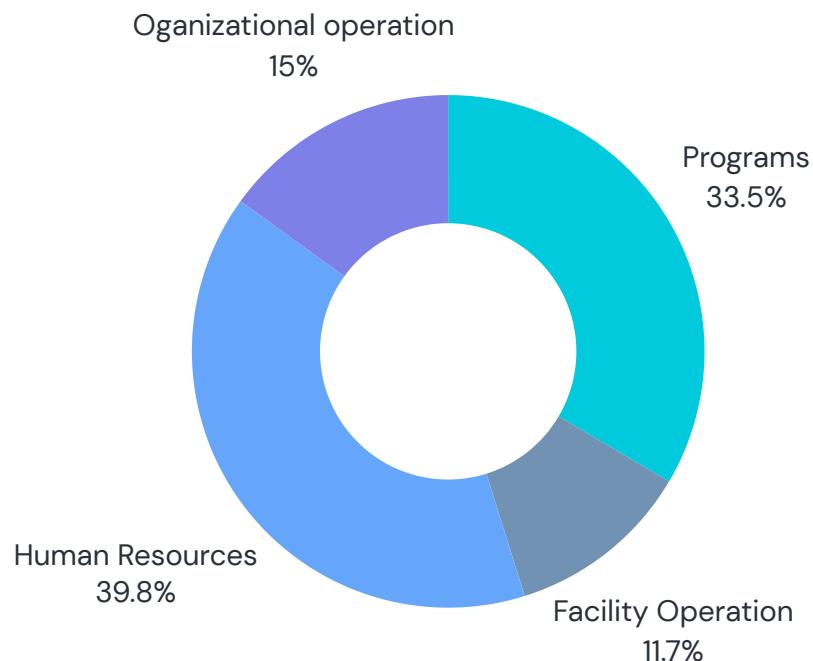
Annual Spending Year Over Year



2023 Annual Spending



2023 Spending Distribution





Funders & Partners

Financial Contributors

- Makivik Corporation
 - Community Food Program Fund, Ungaluk, local Makivik office
- Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services
 - Food Security, PSOC
- Pituvik Landholding Corporation
- Food Banks Canada
- Community Food Centres Canada
- Kativik Regional Government
- Private Donors



Funders & Partners

In Kind Contributors

- Air Inuit
- FCNQ and Pepin Fortin Construction Camps
- Northern Store
- Makivik
- Northern Village of Inukjuak
- Nunavimmi Pigiursavik

Program Partners

- Inukrock
- Qulliq Girls Unit
- Uquutaq School
- Innalik School
- Reintegration Centre
- Youth House
- Inuulitsivik Health Centre – Social Services & Department of Youth Protection
- Sippe
- Sungirtuivik Family House
- Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services



2024 Vision

Twenty twenty four is on track to be another transformative year for Sirivik. Groundbreaking on the new building commenced in late 2023, with 2024 set to see the bulk of the construction of the new facility.

Our goal as an organization throughout 2024, is to strengthen our organizational operations, streamline our processes and secure our long term finances. This will ensure that Sirivik is on solid footing as an organization before beginning our next chapter in our new facility.

We are making a concerted effort to increase country food in our programming, ensuring that we are offering food that is delicious and culturally relevant to our community. 2024 will see the creation of full time hunter positions on our team, which will allow us to increase our offering of on the land programming, while having country food available for all our in community programming.

We are excited for the year ahead and know it will be filled with good food shared in good company.



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