

Shishmaref Community Issues

Lack of Capital Funding

- community requires large investment of money
- limited state and federal funding
- increased competition for funding

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Lack of Community Infrastructure

- Lack of Agency Investment in Communities facing Erosion
- Sanitation – water, sewer and landfill
- Water tank is rusting and needs insulation
- Erosion at the landfill
- Landfill is too close to the airport – doesn't meet FAA standards
- Water tanks too small for community needs.
- Existing Seawall needs improvement
- No student transportation
- Population outgrowing school
- City Hall building needs to be replaced.
- Health Clinic needs expansion
- Fire and Rescue building needs to be replaced.

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Community Morale

- Community threats (erosion, storm surge, thawing permafrost) are mentally wearing.
- Not enough progress
- Need positive action

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Lack of Housing/Overcrowding

- Not enough housing to meet the need – housing shortage
- Homes in need of repair
- No permanent housing for many professionals
- No room for expansion

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Jobs and Economic Development

- Shortage of jobs and economic opportunity
- Need e-commerce opportunities for arts and crafts
- Need expansion of technical training for adults.

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Lack of Refuge

- No safe place to be during storms
- Potential evacuation road deemed impractical and expensive
- School is not large enough to protect all residents

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Other

- Substance abuse
- More activities for kids and adults
- Need Inuqiaq tradition and language class
- Retaining youth in Shishmeraf
- Alternative energy
- Meals programs for elders
- Elders protect all residents