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Holiday Tips: Mindful Spending

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Celebrate the holidays with financial confidence. The Department of Community Services' consumer affairs division encourages Nunavummiut to keep these holiday tips in mind and make the most of this festive season.

Mindful spending can help you enjoy the holidays. Set a budget, make a plan, stick to it and enjoy a financially stress-free holiday season.

- **Play a gift-giving game:** Games such as Secret Santa are a fun way to spread holiday cheer while keeping costs low.

- **Set a spending limit:** Discuss ahead of time with family and friends about setting a spending limit for gifts.
- **Make a list within a specific budget:** Whether for gifts, décor or holiday feasts, write a list and stick to it.
- **Stick to cash:** Avoid the ease of electronic payment. Select your budget and divide it into labelled envelopes for the various expenditures to help prevent overspending.
- **Give your time:** Instead of exchanging monetary gifts, offer to give your time such as babysitting, pet sitting, house cleaning or snow removal.
- **Re-gift:** If you have unused items in good condition, consider passing them on to someone who would appreciate it.
- **Donate:** Coordinate a group donation to a local organization in your community.
- **Get creative:** Handmade gifts are thoughtful and carry special value. You may also support local artisans in your community and stick to your budget.
- **Gift cards:** A simple way to stay on budget while giving people the freedom to pick something they need or want.

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