JOB DEVELOPMENT SUCCESS STORY 2015/2016









Before Afer

Biinjitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek utilized the Job Development Program to train and employ four community members in the occupation "Construction Labourers". Three of the four participants built a home from scratch for a community family in 24 weeks. At the time of my visit (4 weeks into the project) they were working on the foundation of the home. They are supervised and trained by a Journeyman Carpenter, Edward Hardy.

The other participant, Jeremiah Thompson, top left photo, was working out back, sawing up pieces of lumber. He was working with a second crew of carpenters and were completing renovations on an existing family home (bottom photo). Renovations had started last year but could not be completed, the family moved in for the winter and are now out to accommodate the carpenters in finsihing the renovations.

The project began in July and ended December 2015. All project objectives were completed, the participants gained valuable work experience and presently enjoying some time off before the next summer season of housing contruction and renvoations begin.