

Kashechewan Medical Emergency City of Greater Sudbury's **Response**

The Story



Kashechewan Medical Emergency

City of Greater Sudbury's **Response**

- Kashechewan declares an Emergency
- Province of Ontario declares a “Medical Emergency”
- Cities across Northern Ontario are asked to assist
- CGS conducts a staff check on capacity
- CGS activates its EOC
- CGS moves from emergency footing to maintenance
- Return and recovery stages to come



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Response

CGS Staff Check

Very short-term:

- 2 to 3 days - Maximum capacity for 600 (40 evacuation sites very rudimentary accommodation – gym floors)
- *Major concerns:* Administration, reception and identification, transportation, logistics



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CGS Sudbury Staff Check

Short-term:

- 3-4 weeks – maximum of 250 in two evacuation sites
- Some rooms, mostly open accommodation
- Gradual transition to hotel accommodation
- *Concerns:* governance, primary health care, administration, transportation, integration into community including education



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- 250 evacuees
- 2 to 3 weeks
(internal belief to end November)
- 2 primary evacuation sites
- eventually moving
to hotel accommodation
- Prepared to accommodate
family re-unification
- Prepared to support and coordinate
airflow to support the evacuation
into Greater Sudbury



Response

CGS's Response

- Prepared to accept and support EMAT
- Prepared to support the airflow of evacuees through EMAT
- Operate an EOC 24/7 until transition arrangement made
- Prepared to support evacuees in stability mode for 3-4 week period
- Understanding 100% cost recovery from both provincial and federal governments
- Move from traditional evacuation model to one of self-governance



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Stats - Ontario

- Greater Sudbury, Attawapiskat, Cochrane, Peterborough, Moosonee, Ottawa, Sault Ste. Marie, and Timmins
- 1037 residents evacuated



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Stats – Greater Sudbury

- 258 evacuees (25% of those evacuated)
- 2 evacuation sites, 6 hotels, Wahnapiatae First Nation, and billeting
- Extensive use of Friendship Centre and their resources
- 20 EOC Business Cycle meetings
- **Federal and Provincial:** Red Cross, CF, INAC, HC, EMO, MNR, MHLTC, MCSS, Ministry of Ed, MOE, MOL, etc.
- **Local:** Red Cross, CISM, MOH, Hospital, School Boards, local businesses, hotel association, taxi association, Greater Sudbury Airport, every City Department
- Hosted and supported the 35-person, 56 bed EMAT hospital which saw approximately 600 evacuees
- Hosting of dignitary visits



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- **City:** Mayor and Council, and every City Department
- **Nishnawbe-Aski Nation and Kashechewan First Nations:** DC Friday, Ernie Sutherland and Matthew Wesley and our 250 plus new friends



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***Thank you for enriching our lives and
allowing us to remember of how reliant we are
on one another***

