

Enji Bmaadjidwad Maampii! Diversity Thrives Here! Vive la diversité chez nous!

City of Greater Sudbury Diversity Plan

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Diversity Plan Presentation

- Mandate
- What Do We Mean by Diversity?
- Project's History and Phases
- Diversity Plan Recommendations





Panel's Mandate - January 2005

To develop a Diversity Plan that will ensure Sudbury is a welcoming and inclusive community for <u>all people</u> particularly the Aboriginal, Francophone and Multicultural groups, And to Present Plan to Council by June 30, 2005.





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What Do We Mean by Diversity?

Diversity refers to all people in particular, the Aboriginal, Francophone and Multicultural communities of the City of Greater Sudbury







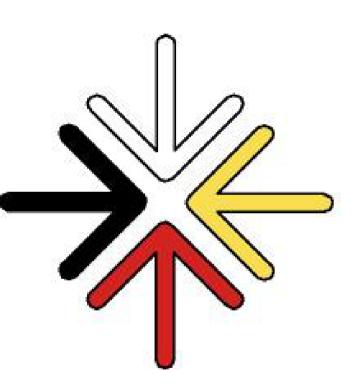


Our Approach – Community Based

First time in the City's history that the Aboriginal,
 Francophone, and Multicultural Communities come together







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Why Do We Need a Diversity Plan?

- 50% increase in the Aboriginal population in Sudbury: majority being youth
- 7% of Greater Sudbury's population is foreign-born
- 28% of Greater Sudbury's population is Francophone
- Number of international students is growing close to 600
- Aboriginals and immigrants are the main source of population growth
- Aboriginals,immigrants and youth: key to solving labour shortages



Overview Why was Diversity Thrives Here! developed? Our Potential

- Diversity is the foundation for innovation, and innovation is the key for economic development.
- Sudbury is one of the very few cities in the World where the Aboriginal English, French, and Immigrant Communities work and live.
 - Ranked 16 of 159 Cities in the Mosaic-Diversity Index Richard Florida
- Places that offer a high quality of life and best accommodate diversity enjoy the greatest success in talent attraction/retention
- The Aboriginal and Immigrant communities are key to our population growth.



How did we begin?

- Mayor Jim Gordon established Diversity Community Working Group – Fall 2003
- Mayor David Courtemanche reaffirmed Working Group December 2003
- 9 Community Focus Groups: Winter 2003
- Funding:
 - Canadian Heritage
 - City of Greater Sudbury
 - Greater Sudbury Development Corporation
 - Social Planning Council



Diversity Thrives Here! Community Launch

May 14, 2004 at Tom Davies Square Website www.SudburyDiversity.ca





Diversity Plan Phases





Diversity Panel Process





Term concurrent with City Council elections

From July 2004 – December 2006 Current Panel : Implementation program

December 2006 – Nominating Committee of Council advertises for new membership





Diversity Panel



ROLE OF THE CITY

EDUCATION MARKETING RELATIONSHIPS



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Membership Aboriginal (2) Francophone (2) Multicultural (2) Council (1) Youth (2) Community (2)

ECONOMIC GROWTH AND EMPLOYMENT

CAPACITY BUILDING

SETTLEMENT

AND IMMIGRATION

CULTURAL ACCEPTANCE AND CELEBRATION YOUTH INVOLVEMENT

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Marketing Program

- → Diversity benefits
- → Encourage pride in our different cultures and heritage

A Community Calendar

Bring Community together to celebrate our diversity



- Coordinate all services for newcomers
 - → all levels of government
 - a single window stop for all newcomers
 - City's Citizen Service Centers
 - Immigration Portal
- Capacity Building and Training opportunities
 - non-profit groups/charities supporting Aboriginal and Immigrant communities
 - → Board management, marketing, fund-raising, interagency coordination



- An employment program for Aboriginal/Immigrant youth
 - → Assessment of skills
 - → Matching with job opportunities
- An entrepreneurship Mentorship Program
 - In partnership with the private sector



- Establish a Provincial Immigration
 Nominee Program
 - → Shortages of skilled trades/technical
- An Immigrant Investor and International student attraction
 - → Population growth
 - → Attracting and retaining talent



Conclusion

This is the first time the Aboriginal, Francophone, and Multicultural communities come together.

This Plan is the first step to:

ensure Sudbury is a welcoming and inclusive community for <u>all people</u> particularly the Aboriginal, Francophone and Multicultural groups.

Now, we need to move from planning to ACTION.











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