A Collaborative Approach to Addressing Encampments

















2019-2027 Strategic Plan Priorities

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Today's Agenda

- 1. Background
- 2. Local Encampment Situation
- 3. Greater Sudbury Encampment Response Guide
- 4. Community Collaboration
- 5. Housing-Focused Tools
- 6. Response Roadmap

















Background

- Population: Approximately 166,004 (2021 census)
- Largest city in Ontario and the most populous in Northern Ontario
- Overall vacancy rate for 2021 1.6%
- Average monthly market rent for a 1-bedroom apartment in 2021 - \$1,030
- 9.5% of population living in low income 2021 census
- 35.5% of the population are renting 2021 census
- Point in Time Count- Oct 2021- 398





Encampment Situation

- Spring 2021
- Downtown Municipal Park
 reaching approximately
 100 individuals
- No collaborative community approach to address the encampment



Greater Sudbury Encampment Response

- Greater Sudbury Encampment Response Guide October 2021
- Increase shelter capacity, conversion of 30 two-bedroom units to one bed-room units

October 2021: 88 residents in park encampment

















Community Collaboration

 Alternative approaches to law enforcement when engaging with encamped individuals

 Collaboration with outreach, Indigenous partners, Social Services, By-law and Police

















Housing-Focused Tools

| By-Name List | Bridge Housing | Flex Funding | Transitional Housing |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| • 179 (Oct 19, 22) | • 77 supported | • 65 supported | 7 currently supported |
| | • 49 housed | | • 22 total |











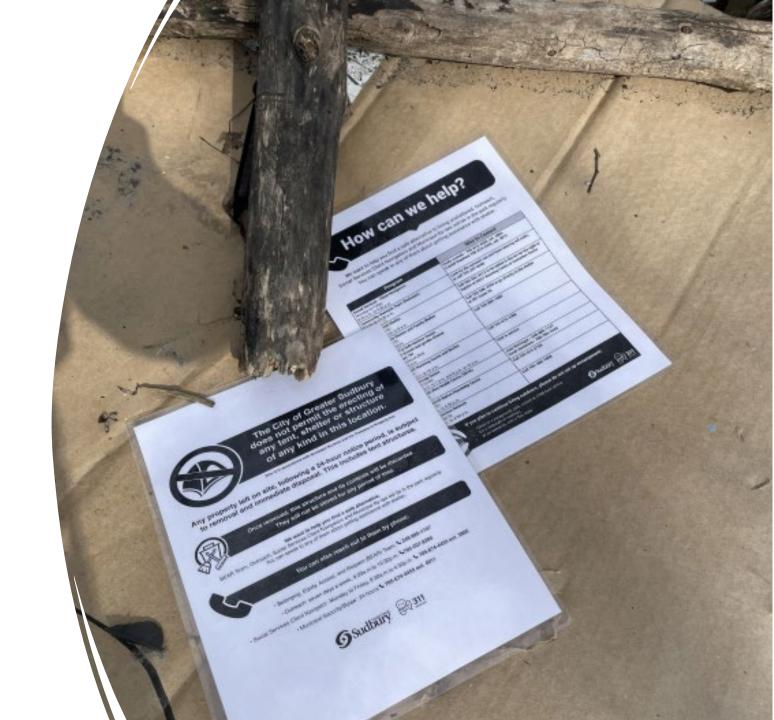






Results

- Encampment Closure
- April 1st, 2022: 0 residents, with no enforcement required



Continued Response Roadmap



Complaints are received by 311 or a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer (MLEO) regarding structures/tents in parks, road allowance and private property.





Municipal Law Enforcement Officer:

- Attends site and determines if there is a violation of a City By-law, including the Parks Bylaw
- Seeks voluntary compliance to vacate the structure and remove personal belongings
- · Notifies Social Services Client Navigators and Community Outreach
- · Provides individuals with a resource handout
- · Notifies Greater Sudbury Police if structure is on private property



Step 3

Social Services Client Navigators and Community Outreach attends site and carries out the following:

- Work from Housing First framework and within the context of Sudbury's Homeless Coordinated Access System (By-Name List)
- Support individuals, families and groups, in order to promote connection to shelter, housing and the achievement of their optimal health and well-being
- · Collaborative development of housing and service plans
- Assist individuals with obtaining necessary documents needed to obtain housing, including the completion of supportive and subsidized housing applications, identification, etc.
- Collaborate and co-ordinate services with appropriate community and health agencies
- Crisis intervention
- Provide a summary of these actions (omitting any privileged and confidential information) in the form of an encampment assessment





MLEO re-attends site and issues a written and verbal trespass notice.



Step 5

MLEO and Greater Sudbury Police Service respond under the Trespass to Property Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.T.21





Parks or Contractor are contacted to coordinate a cleanup.



















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