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Report Card on Homelessness for 2011

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Background

The City of Greater Sudbury acts as the Community Entity for the federal government’s Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) funding. Community plans were developed in 2007, 2009 and 2011 to identify priorities for which the federal funding is allocated.

The City of Greater Sudbury Council has endorsed the role of the Community Advisory Committee on Homelessness to implement the priorities identified in the Community Plan that address homelessness within the City of Greater Sudbury with the resources available from the Homelessness Partnering Strategy.

One of the priorities that has been identified within the Community Plan is:

To develop a reporting method that will allow for the monitoring, measurement and evaluation of the overall effectiveness of the system that is currently in place to deal with those most vulnerable in the City of Greater Sudbury.

In response to this priority a Report Card on Homelessness has been developed annually and released to the community for the years 2008, 2009 and 2010.

The development of the Report Card on Homelessness for the year 2011, attached, has been completed by the Community Advisory Committee to continue to meet this priority. The completion of an annual Report Card is used as a way to monitor, measure and evaluate the system in place to address homelessness within the City of Greater Sudbury.
Information, data and statistics included in the Report Card were collected through:

- HIFIS (Homeless Individuals and Families Information System)
- Homelessness Network CHPP data (Consolidated Homelessness Prevention Program)
- Social Planning Council
- YWCA Genevra House
- Ministry of Community and Social Services
- Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation Rental Market Paper
- Greater Sudbury Housing Services
- Homelessness Network Final Report
- Statistics Canada

As well, the Report Card provides information about services available in the community and new developments that help address homelessness.

The Report Card on Homelessness for 2011 uses a design format that illustrates how services are coordinated and interconnected to assist persons moving from housing instability to stability, therefore supporting healthy communities.

The Report Card on Homelessness is intended to provide information to all sectors of the community from government agencies, social service agencies and members of the general public. It will be made available on the City's website and distributed to the citizens of the City of Greater Sudbury through Citizen Service Centres, Social Services Agencies, post secondary schools, and members of the Community Advisory Committee on Homelessness.

A copy of the Report Card on Homelessness for 2011 is attached under separate cover.