



# City of North Bay Report to Council

Report No: CSBU 2021 - 32

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Business Unit:  
Community Services

Department:  
Community Development and Growth

Subject: Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Update

Closed Session: yes ☐ no ☒

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## Recommendation

That the “Community Safety & Well-Being North Bay: A Plan to Foster a Safe, Healthy and Inclusive Community” attached to Report to Council CSBU 2021-32 be adopted.

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## Background

This Report to Council is a supplemental to Report to Council [CSBU 2021-25](#). The *Community Safety & Well-Being North Bay: A Plan to Foster a Safe, Healthy and Inclusive Community (Draft)* is attached to this report. The Plan will become final once adopted by Council.

As of January 1, 2019 the Province has legislated municipalities under the *Police Services Act* to develop and adopt Community Safety and Wellbeing (CSWB) Plans. The Plan is required to be approved by City Council by July 1, 2021.

The legislation points to Municipalities to lead Community Safety and Well-Being planning. The legislation is silent where there are municipalities with District Social Service Administration Boards. The City of North Bay, through an agreement and funding, supports the District of Nipissing Social Service Administration Board’s delivery of social services in the City.

The City of North Bay appointed the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) to develop the City’s Community Safety and Well-Being Plan. DNSSAB has undertaken very detailed and thorough research to develop four (4) supporting background studies:

- 1) CSWB Plan Interim Update Report
- 2) Sub Report 1 – CSWB Plan-Review of Community Safety and Well-Being Literature and Strategic Plans in North Bay
- 3) Sub Report 2 – CSWB Plan-Community Asset Mapping
- 4) Sub Report 3 – CSWB Plan-Community Consultations

This process to develop these reports strived to:

- Identify priority areas to address community needs
- Identify existing programs and services that support community safety and wellbeing.
- Engage the Community to identify the assets, gaps and risks that exist in North Bay.
- Identify action planning to address priority areas.

The attached *Community Safety & Well-Being North Bay: A Plan to Foster a Safe, Healthy and Inclusive Community (Draft)* was developed using the four (4) supporting background studies. Significant and broad surveys and community consultation was undertaken in the development of the background reports, which form the foundation for the Plan.

The Plan seeks to foster an inclusive community where everyone feels safe, secure and supported by a robust social safety net. The Plan is meant to be a collective impact plan which takes a collaborative approach across many sectors and agencies towards common priorities and objectives. This is particularly important as complex issues cannot be addressed by one agency or sector alone and requires collective action.

City Council is responsible for the plan and will be supported in its implementation by a community multi-sectoral advisory committee, being the Gateway Hub Executive Committee. The Gateway Hub Executive Committee is comprised of representation from Police and local service providers including health/mental health, education, community/social services and children/youth services.

Any final modifications to the *Community Safety & Well-Being North Bay: A Plan to Foster a Safe, Healthy and Inclusive Community (Draft)* between the Committee of Council meeting on June 15 and the Council Meeting of June 29 will be provided to Council through an update by way of a supplemental report to Council.

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### **Financial/Legal Implications**

The Province is providing no project specific funding to municipalities to develop the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan. There may be opportunities to apply for grants in the future. Staff will continue to monitor any opportunities for funding from other levels of government that might arise. There is no new funding in the municipal budget for community safety and well-being planning.

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### **Corporate Strategic Plan**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affordable Balanced Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spirited Safe Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Responsible and Responsive Government |   |

### **Specific Objectives**

- Continually improve on policies and practices that celebrate diversity and create a welcoming environment that supports development, growth, and community engagement
  - Work with community stakeholders to enhance safety and integration throughout the City
  - Facilitate and assist the community in having access to the broad spectrum of health services
  - Facilitate the development of housing options to service the needs of the community
  - Encourage openness and diversity in the community for all residents
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### **Options Analysis**

#### Option 1:

That the “Community Safety & Well-Being North Bay: A Plan to Foster a Safe, Healthy and Inclusive Community” attached to Report to Council CSBU 2021-32 be adopted.

This is the recommended option as it fulfills Council’s responsibility under the Police Service Act and provides the necessary framework for community stakeholders to work together to foster a safe, healthy and inclusive community.

#### Option 2:

Not adopt the “Community Safety & Well-Being North Bay: A Plan to Foster a Safe, Healthy and Inclusive Community”.

This option is not recommended. This option would not allow the City of North Bay to meet its responsibility under the Police Services Act and would prevent the Plan from being implemented.

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### **Recommended Option**

Option 1 is the recommended option

Respectfully submitted,

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**I concur with this report and recommendation.**

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