

# Tourism North Bay

Presentation to North Bay City Council July • 2021





- MAT bylaw passed in February 2019
- February 2020 marked our first year of MAT funding
- COVID-19 hit our region in March of 2020

| OCCUPANCY | 2018  | 2019  | 2020  |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| North Bay | 55.5% | 60.9% | 42.8% |
| Sudbury   | 67.5% | 65.9% | 43.8% |
| Timmins   | 58.6% | 57.9% | 37.3% |
| Region    | 57.2% | 59.0% | 39.9% |
| Province  | 70.1% | 68.7% | 34.8% |





|                     | 2020 BUDGET  | 2020 ACTUAL | 2019 ACTUAL |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| MAT Revenue         | \$ 323,054   | \$ 306,977  | \$ 539,431  |
| Federal Assistance  |              | \$ 141,026  |             |
| Other Revenue       | \$ 41,000    | \$ 36,279   | \$ 61,776   |
| Grant Revenue       | \$ 48,000    | \$ 29,332   | \$ 35,690   |
| Partnership Revenue |              | \$ 6,816    | \$ 17,247   |
| Total Revenue       | \$ 412,054   | \$ 520,430  | \$ 654,144  |
|                     |              |             |             |
| Expenses            | \$ 599,140   | \$ 520,679  | \$ 442,449  |
|                     |              |             |             |
| Net Revenue         | \$ (187,086) | \$ (249)    | \$ 211,695  |

## **PARTNERSHIPS**



- Tourism North Bay continues to coordinate with local, regional and provincial partners on hyper local and regional recovery plans
- With Destination Northern Ontario and City of Greater Sudbury completed a Product Development Strategy



















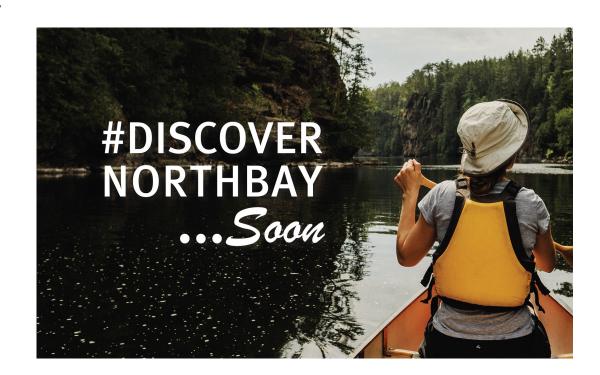




#### **MARKETING INITIATIVES**



- Rebranded Tourism North Bay with a new website with enhanced capabilities
- Support local eateries and other businesses
- Coordinated recovery campaigns with Destination Ontario, Destination Northern Ontario and Northeastern Ontario Tourism
- Attended the Toronto Outdoor
  Adventure Show pre Covid-19 lockdown



#### **MARKETING INITIATIVES**



- Lake Temiskaming Tour
- #DreamON campaign
- Virtual Marketplace
- Pan-Northern Fall Campaign with Destination Ontario
- Northeast campaign with Destination Northern Ontario and The Globe & Mail

Hosted 2 Familiarization Tours



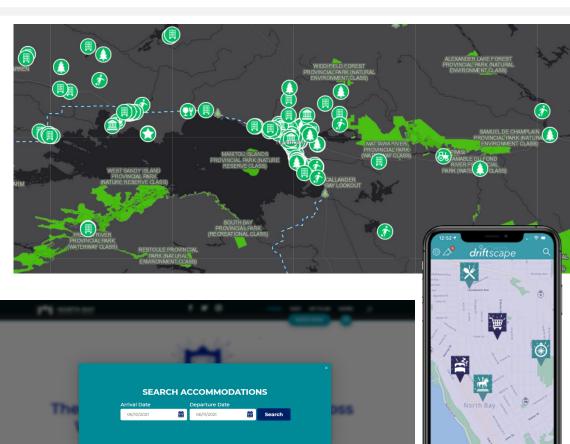




### **OTHER MILESTONES**



- Transitioned to working from home
- Undertook product development/Covid-19 recovery strategy
- Added booking agent to website
- Introduced Driftscape App
- Created database of I41 tourism assets



## **COMMUNITY RESULTS 2020**



| 2020 VS 2019     | NET CHANGE<br>OCCUPANCY | NET CHANGE REV<br>PAR |
|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| North Bay        | -18.1%                  | -37.0%                |
| Sudbury          | -22.1%                  | -39.9%                |
| Timmins          | -20.6%                  | -44.8%                |
| Region           | -18.9%                  | -37.4%                |
| Northern Ontario | -18.3%                  | -34.2%                |
| Ontario          | -33.9%                  | -60.8%                |





| 2021 VS 2020<br>YTD APRIL | NET CHANGE OCCUPANCY | NET CHANGE<br>REV PAR |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| North Bay                 | -8.8%                | -38.9%                |
| Sudbury                   | -11.6%               | -34.4%                |
| Timmins                   | -3.6%                | -31.6%                |
| Region                    | -4.9%                | -30.5%                |
| Northern Ontario          | -8.8%                | -28.2%                |
| Ontario                   | -13.8%               | -49.9%                |

#### 2021 UPDATE



- CTV Tourism Feature campaign
- Tourism Counts Radio campaign
- Globe & Mail regional campaign
- Active Social Media presence
- On-going schedule of user-engagement via curated blogs
- Running ads driving traffic to various landing pages on our website
- Implementing product development strategies
- Continuing contact to be well positioned for return of sports



















### 2021 - 2025 OUTLOOK



- It is not expected for tourism to recover to 2019 levels before 2025
- Recovery depends on many variables:
  - Government health guidelines
  - Vaccination levels
  - Travel sentiment consumer & resident















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