

City of North Bay Report to Council

Report No: CSBU-2025-041

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Business Unit:

Community Services

Department:

Community Development and Growth

Subject: 2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Supplement

Closed Session: yes ☐ no ☒

Recommendation

That the '2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Supplement', attached to Report to Council CSBU-2025-041, be adopted.

Background

Since the Municipal Council adopted North Bay's original Community Safety and Well-Being (CSWB) Plan in 2021, substantial progress has been made in advancing its strategies and actions. Numerous initiatives from the original plan have been successfully implemented or are nearing completion, demonstrating the community's strong collaborative commitment to community safety and well-being. However, in the aftermath of the pandemic and amid increasing complex social challenges, North Bay's needs have continued to evolve.

In addition to the progress, and in response to the Regulations under the Community Safety and Policing Act 2019 requiring a review and revisions made within 4 years of the plan, a review of the original plan and current community needs has been completed. Further, new and complimentary actions have been added, supplementing actions to the original research and priorities.

The Supplement also includes a new Municipal Chapter focusing on Municipal roles and efforts, and a section highlighting a number of significant projects, initiatives, and collaborative efforts beyond the plan that have been achieved outside of the CSWB Plans scope. These efforts not only demonstrate the community's adaptability, but also its proactive approach to responding to emerging issues, evolving priorities, and unforeseen challenges.

The CSWB Supplement has been reviewed and supported by the Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee that includes systems leadership from:

Conseil scolaire de district du Nord-Est de l'Ontario
Canadian Mental Health Association
Children's Aid Society
North Bay Regional Health Centre
Conseil scolaire catholique Franco-Nord
District Nipissing Social Services Administration Board
Community Counselling Centre
Nipissing Parry Sound District Catholic School Board
HANDS – The Family Help Network
Near North District School Board
Crisis Centre North Bay
North Bay Police Service
North Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre
North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit
The City of North Bay

Each agency played a vital role in shaping the Supplement by offering meaningful input, constructive feedback, and valuable contributions that reflect their unique perspectives and areas of expertise. This collective effort underscores the strong commitment to collaboration, shared accountability, and continuous improvement that drives the CSWB initiative forward in North Bay.

This CSWB Plan Supplement will be in effect July 8/2025 to November 14/2026, mirroring the remaining term of office for the current Mayor and Council, and includes much of the original plans research and direction. The next comprehensive review of the CSWB Plan will commence in 2027.

Financial/Legal Implications

Corporate Strategic Plan

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

Specific Objectives

- 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

- Encourage openness and diversity in the community for all residents
- Work with partners and stakeholders to identify and find solutions to streamline processes and remove barriers
- Facilitate the development of housing options to service the needs of the community

Options Analysis

Option 1: That the '2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Supplement', attached to Report to Council CSBU-2025-041 be adopted.

This is the recommended option as it fulfills Council's responsibility under the Community Safety and Policing Act 2019 and provides the necessary framework for community stakeholders to work together to foster a safe, healthy, and inclusive community.

Option 2: Not adopt the '2025 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Supplement'

This option is not recommended. This option would not allow the City of North Bay to meet its responsibility under the Community Safety and Policing Act 2019.

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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