JOINT ACCESSIBILITY PLAN: 2018-2022 2018 Accomplishments



The Council of the County of Haliburton is committed and guided by the four core principles of Accessibility - Dignity, Independence, Integration and Equal Opportunity - and supports the full inclusion of persons with disabilities as set out in the *Ontario Human Rights Code* and the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005* and its Standards.

All persons deserve the right to perform the tasks of daily living within their communities while utilizing County and Municipal buildings, properties or events. The County of Haliburton and the Municipalities it includes created a Joint Accessibility Committee.

With the passing of the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (IASR) under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA), the County and its member municipalities have created a multi-year plan to assist in implementing policies, practices, procedures and training, and to identify and evaluate projects to remove barriers.

Below is a review of the 2018 successes as a result of that plan.

County of Haliburton:

- ✓ County's Procurement Policy incorporates accessibility standards
- ✓ County Council Chambers enhanced with audio and visual aids
- ✓ County hosted Accessible Document Training for municipal staff

Township of Algonquin Highlands:

- ✓ New ramp & deck at entrance, as well as accessible parking created (Stanhope Airport)
- ✓ Improvements to washroom (Dorset Recreation Centre)
- ✓ New playground equipment and accessible privies/pathways to other facilities installed (Stanhope Park)
- ✓ New Washrooms & entrance way with automatic door openers and accessible ramp (Municipal Office)

Township of Algonquin Highlands (Cont'd):

- ✓ New accessible washroom (Stanhope Fire Hall)
- Outdoor walking path constructed to accessible standards to connect to redesigned park (Dorset Park)
- ✓ Outdoor pathways improved to provide better accessibility (Dorset Tower)

Municipality of Dysart et al:

- ✓ Automatic entry doors in front entrance with required signage and new addition (Municipal Office)
- ✓ New facility constructed and lower accessible order counter created (Harcourt Park)
- ✓ Two new permanent accessible porta-potties installed, new barrier free picnic tables added and solar lighting along pathways (Head Lake Park)
- ✓ New permanent accessible porta-potties installed (Glebe & Eagle Lake Parks)
- ✓ Barrier free railing installed along parking lot ramp edge and accessible spot signage installed (Haliburton Highlands Museum)
- ✓ New front entrance canopy (Haliburton Highlands Family Medical Centre)
- ✓ Repaired broken ramp pavement to stop water pooling (Business Incubator)
- ✓ Accessible ramp installed (Canoe FM, Land Trust offices)
- ✓ Step & grab bar installed at front entrance (Canoe FM, Land Trust offices)
- ✓ Reconstructed sidewalks (Victoria Street and Pine Avenue)

Municipality of Highlands East:

- ✓ Employees Only & accessibility sign(s) installed (Cardiff Fire Hall)
- ✓ Installed ramp & widened door (Cardiff Storage)
- ✓ Ramp & accessibility sign installed (Cardiff Rink Change House)
- ✓ Employees Only sign installed (Fire Hall Hwy 28, Eels Lake Landfill Site, Gooderham Garage Building)

Township of Minden Hills:

- ✓ Accessible playground equipment installed (Rotary Park)
- ✓ Site visit conducted (Curling Rink & Library)
- ✓ Accessibility signage installed (Public Washrooms/Old Fire Hall)

To view the Multi-Year Joint Accessibility Plan, 2018-2022, visit:

https://haliburtoncounty.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/2018-2022-Multi-Year-JOINT-ACCESSIBILITY-PLAN.pdf

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