



Acting Today in the Interests of Tomorrow

In March 2007 Mayor Rodriguez of the City of Greater Sudbury appointed a volunteer Recreational Advisory Panel to formulate a proposal to build a multi-use recreational complex.

After exhaustive research/surveys/needs analysis and meetings with user groups/stakeholders and citizens of the City of Greater Sudbury we now have a vision of what Sudbury needs and this vision has inspired our proposal.

Excited and proud we invite every sport enthusiast, every citizen to hear the details of the proposed Multi-Use Recreational Facility which includes 4 ice pads, a leisure pool, 4 lit soccer fields (one with a dome) skateboard park and much more to be unveiled on **May 22nd at 6:00pm at the Tom Davies Square Foyer.**
– see attached invitation.

The time is now!

Here we are nine years into the new millennium and the City of Greater Sudbury has the opportunity to advance itself beyond the 70's, 80's and 90's in terms of its recreational facilities. Apart from soccer fields, and the Countryside Arena built in 1993 (originally supposed to be a modern, twin-pad facility) there have not been any new recreational facilities built since the Howard Armstrong Centre in Valley East (1985).

The City of Greater Sudbury's sporting infrastructure cannot accommodate requirements needed to host provincial, national and international events it can barely support the events it already has– 93% of our community arenas and indoor pools are over 30 years old. The average age of our arenas is 37 years old or an average construction date of 1971.

Every citizen young and old will benefit from this centre whether it's using the facility to hosting events, enjoying the economic growth and spin offs to attracting and retaining professionals (doctors).

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Sudbury's economy is strong with an unprecedented growth in the housing market, #2 in Canada according to a recent article in the Northern Life. Record profits in the mining industry. Unemployment rates at an all time low. We need to take advantage of our strong local economy. If we don't build now the cost of construction will increase 25% in less than 4 years.

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Sudbury is striving to become the Capital of Northern Ontario but we currently lack the facilities to support this goal and we are unable to retain our youth and we are losing professionals to other communities. To become a year-round sport and leisure destination we need to strategically invest in infrastructure.



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We want a healthy active community that looks after its citizens and gives them the best quality of life and a place that promotes the retention and recruitment of individuals and families.

April 2008 the Pembina Institute released a study indicating that Sudbury has the worst quality of life in all of Canada!!!

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Visit our website at www.greatersudbury.ca/recreationalcomplex – available May 23rd.

We are an advisory panel but if you support this project let your councilor know

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Your Multi-Use Recreational Complex Advisory Panel 2007-08