News Release



City of Dryden and Hydro One commemorate groundbreaking of the Dryden Recreation Centre's new accessible, inclusive and family-friendly change space

Dryden, ON - August 30, 2021 - In partnership with Hydro One, the City of Dryden unveiled its plans for new inclusive and accessible changing spaces within the facility's Pool & Fitness Centre. This project will energize life in the community by ensuring welcoming and safe space for all whilst allowing residents to pursue an active lifestyle. The plan was shared at a groundbreaking ceremony attended by local officials in Dryden and will be brought to life through Hydro One's Energizing Life initiative, a program dedicated to supporting 35 organizations, municipalities and Indigenous communities that are providing critical services that Ontarians depend on.

"Our vision is to create a space for everyone within our community," said Steve Belanger, Manager of Community Services, City of Dryden. "With the support of Hydro One, we will be able to welcome additional visitors to the building and our services with an accessible, inclusive and family-friendly change space at the Dryden Recreation Centre. The new change room will be a safe space for our patrons to use with their families, always with the aim of making them feel welcome to participate in our facility programming opportunities."

"We have a deep responsibility to energize life and support organizations providing the services people depend on in Dryden and all across Ontario," said Brent McQuaker, Dryden Customer Operations Manager, Hydro One. "Hydro One is proud to support the Dryden Recreation Centre in its efforts to develop an accessible, inclusive and family-friendly change space so that all feel welcome in the community."

"As we adapt to the new normal, the City of Dryden is looking to emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic stronger than ever with a safe return to recreational activities," said Mayor Greg Wilson, who spoke at the event. "We are thrilled to be kicking off this important initiative with the goal of providing even more inclusive services to all the residents of Dryden."

The Dryden Recreation Centre acts as the heart of the active and tight-knit community of Dryden, offering programming to all ages and abilities at the Pool & Fitness Centre. The local facility is excited to expand its services offering to even more individuals with the new change space. Construction on the 257 square foot changing room will begin on September 2. The Recreation Centre will remain open to the public during the revitalization project.

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