



Meetings, Conventions & Sport



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## Introduction

Welcome to Canada's Happiest City!

Greater Sudbury is rich with diverse culture, unique attractions, and hundreds of local events taking place every year all paired with our signature Northern Hospitality. A city of lakes and an area internationally recognized for environmental stewardship, we are an ideal backdrop for your meeting, convention or sporting event.

Experience our unique Northern lifestyle in a community big enough to offer the services expected of a large urban centre, but with a small-town, close-knit feel. And the beautiful natural scenery of the region is right on our doorstep.

You saw Sudbury on *The Amazing Race Canada*, now come see for yourself!





## About Greater Sudbury

Sudbury started off as a mining town, and its heritage and activity are clearly visible. But modern day Sudbury is much more than mining. Greater Sudbury is the largest centre in Northern Ontario and a service hub for the northeastern part of the province — a market of 550,000. With a population of 160,000 and an area of 3,627 sq.km./1,400 sq.mi. Sudbury is a major centre of financial and business services, tourism, health care and research, education and government.

With three post-secondary institutions, a medical school and a school of architecture, Sudbury is a major education centre. Health Sciences North also makes Sudbury home to the largest health sciences centre in Northern Ontario. HSN is a network of integrated facilities and leading regional programs working together for the benefit of patients, communities, physicians, researchers, staff and learners.





# Meetings, Conventions & Sport

Sudbury has extensive experience in hosting meetings, conferences and sport tourism. Not only do we strive to make every event successful, we have a selection of unique venues, and we pride ourselves in the warm Northern Hospitality that comes naturally to our community. City of Greater Sudbury Staff will assist, customize and deliver in the opportunities of meeting, convention and sport tourism offering services such as:

- ► Venue & site selection tours
- ► FAM tours
- ► Bid support including preparation and submission
- ► Partnerships and match-making
- ► Family & spousal programming
- ► Welcome packages
- ► Tourism event support program and funding available

Our Team is committed to assisting in hosting a successful event while creating memorable experiences for all guests and delegates.



# Hosting Achievements

Sudbury has many achievements hosting festivals, conferences and events of various kinds and sizes, including

- ► 2016 International Mine Rescue Competition
- ► 2015 The Amazing Race Canada
- ► 2014 Rogers Hometown Hockey
- ▶ 2013 & 2014 Canada Cup XCO Series Mountain Bike Race
- ▶ 2012 Ontario Building Officials Association Annual Meeting & Trade Show
- ► 2012 Canadian Mixed National Curling Championships
- ► 2011 Jeux de la Francophonie
- ► 2011 OFSAA Track & Field Championships
- ► 2010 Ontario Summer Games
- ▶ 2010 Golf Association of Ontario Men's Amateur Championship
- ► 2009 Conference of Metallurgists
- ▶ 2007 Speed Skating Canada Short Track Speed Skating Championships
- ► 2005 Ontario Aboriginal Games
- ▶ 2004 Ontario Association of Police Service Boards
- ▶ 2001 Scott Tournament of Hearts
- ▶ 1998 Canadian Special Olympic Summer Games
- ▶ 1988 IAAF World Junior Track & Field Championships
- ► Annual Northern Lights Festival Boréal (Canada's longest running outdoor festival)
- ► Cinéfest Sudbury's annual international film festival and one of the top five film festivals in Canada



# Unique Spaces & Northern Hospitality

The City of Greater Sudbury has many unique spaces with spectacular backdrops complemented by our signature Northern Hospitality. On the shore of Lake Ramsey is Bell Park, featuring two gazebo's and a main beach and the recently modernized Grace Hartman Amphitheatre with seating for close to 2,000. This is an ideal outdoor space for festivals, concerts and gatherings and is home to the annual Northern Light Festival Boréal and Dragon Boat Festival. There is also the Vale Cavern at Science North, blasted out of rock, is one of Canada's most extraordinary meeting and theatre settings.





### **Attractions**

We've got a range of recreational and cultural attractions, like Science North — Canada's second largest science museum and its sister attraction Dynamic Earth, home of the Big Nickel, where you can go underground, and learn about the area's unique geology and rich mining heritage. There's also a symphony orchestra, an art gallery and a range of other entertainment and cultural attractions.

And there's the outdoors. Sudbury is a city of lakes, and centrally located Lake Ramsey, is surrounded by a network of nearly 200 kilometers of walking trails. Sudbury is also a richly multicultural community, shaped by people from many ethnic origins, including Italian, Finnish, Polish, Chinese, Ukrainian and Croatian. Sudbury also has the third largest Francophone population in Canada, outside of Quebec, and a rich First Nations heritage.





#### **Facilities**

#### SPORT FACILITIES

- ▶ 14 arenas including two dual pads and one Olympic size
- ▶ 7 indoor pools including one Olympic size
- ► 6 curling rinks
- ► Northern Water Sports Centre new \$5M clubhouse and 1200m Albano race course
- ▶ 1 track & field facility
- ► 16 gymnasium facilities
- ▶ 4 beach volleyball courts on the shores of Lake Ramsey
- ▶ 22 tennis courts, 1 indoor centre with 4 courts
- ► 8 golf courses
- ► 26 baseball/softball diamonds
- ▶ 23 mixed fields including one synthetic
- ► 5 squash facilities containing 15 courts
- ► 6 cross country ski clubs
- ► Naughton Trail Centre and Kivi Park feature many snowshoe and mountain bike trails

#### MEETING, CONFERENCE AND HOTEL FACILITIES

- ► Northern Water Sports Centre
- ► 10 municipal halls
- ► The Vale Cavern at Science North
- ► Steelworkers Hall
- ► Caruso Club
- ► Executive Learning Centre at Laurentian University
- ▶ Over 50,000 sq. ft. of flexible hotel space offering 1,700 rooms



# Getting to Sudbury

BY CAR

Greater Sudbury is located on the Trans-Canada Highway at the crossroads of Highways 17 and 69.

BY BUS

Greyhound and Ontario Northland provide bus transportation with daily Canadian and US schedules.

BY TRAIN

VIA Rail's Canadian connects Capreol and Sudbury Junction with Toronto and Winnipeg. VIA's Lake Superior connects Sudbury to Chapleau and White River. BY AIR Greater Sudbury Airport www.flysudbury.ca

Greater Sudbury Airport is one of Northern Ontario's busiest and is currently served by four air service providers: Air Canada, Porter Airlines, Bearskin Airlines and WestJet Airlines. Sunwing Airlines offers winter charters to various sun destinations.

We look forward to hosting your next meeting, convention or sporting event in Sudbury, Ontario:

- ► Largest centre in Northern Ontario with a population of 160,000
- ► 4h drive from Toronto, 5h drive from Ottawa
- ► Full service airport
- Home to Laurentian University, Cambrian College and Collège Boréal
- ► Home to two of Canada's top 10 largest science centres: Science North & Dynamic Earth
- Regional, Provincial, National and International hosting experience
- ► Full complement of indoor and outdoor sport venues
- ► 1,700 hotel rooms and over 50,000 sq. ft. of meeting space from unique to conventional

Come experience our Northern Hospitality and see why we are Canada's Happiest City!

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