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## DISTRICT OF PARRY SOUND

*Addressing identified key issues: transportation, healthy aging,  
food insecurity and youth in the District of Parry Sound*

## BUILDING STRONG COMMUNITIES

### The Hospice West Parry Sound (HWPS) - Have You Started the Conversation Yet?

The hospice is dedicated to the enhancement of quality-of-life for all those affected by life-limiting illness. With this funding, HWPS is facilitating free Advanced Care Planning workshops across the District of West Parry Sound to raise awareness about palliative, caregiver and grief supports, as well as volunteer opportunities. Parry Sound is an aging population and this project will focus on the most rural, remote, and under-serviced areas including three First Nations communities and is the first of its kind.

## POVERTY TO POSSIBILITY

People are excited when they start a new job but many do not have the supports necessary to keep that job such as transportation, first months rent, or clothes. [Parry Sound Employment Services' 'Get Settled Fund'](#) will assist low income individuals to move to healthier accommodations and arrange for the supports they need to start, keep, and maintain employment.

Accessing healthy, affordable food isn't always easy when you live in a rural community without access to public transportation. Food insecurity and transportation are two critical issues in this region. [The Almaguin Adult Learning Centre's "Meals on the Bus"](#) funding will establish regular, monthly grocery shopping trips to the closest city centre to address these needs.

[The Harvest Share's](#) goal is to improve access to healthy, nutritious, affordable food for individuals and families in need in the Parry Sound District. The Community Food program will be purchasing new refrigeration equipment to expand and continue serving the community.

## HELPING KIDS BE ALL THEY CAN BE

[The Powassan and District Union Public Library](#) is able to purchase four laptop computers for a designated teen youth area. The youth will be able to work collaboratively on homework and access e-resources and software to support their learning. With a space just for teens, the youth can freely express themselves and have a safe space to call home in their library.

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