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Subject: RE: Request for Space
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Hi Jason,

The committee involved in this initiative is hoping to model is an “Out of the Cold” program. There are several communities in Ontario who participate in this, including Barrie, St. Catherine’s and North Bay (which has recently made a move to a more permanent shelter). The idea is that churches and community spaces are open one night per week during the winter months to create “pop-up” temporary shelters where resources are not already in place for a permanent emergency bed solution.

As you know, Fort Frances and the Rainy River District are a unique location as we are a district that has zero emergency shelter solutions and we are trying to explore all short term options in our efforts to address the homeless issue in the winter months. Long-term planning is taking place but until such time as a permanent solution is in place we still have not addressed “out of the cold” issues in our district. I want to stress that what we requested is entirely exploratory. As such, I do not have any contacts at other municipalities who have responded to a similar request.

I hope this helps. What time is the meeting on Monday, and is it at Town Hall?

Thanks,

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Hi Jamie,

I’m writing a report for the executive committee for them to consider your request on Monday (Dec. 4th). Do you have any examples of other municipalities who have responded to a similar request