

**CANDIDATE**

Callaghan, Ted

<b><i>What are the benefits of a post-secondary institution in your municipality?</i></b>	<b><i>What are the key challenges of being the host community of a post-secondary institution?</i></b>	<b><i>How do you plan to address these challenges?</i></b>
<p>In Greater Sudbury the benefits of having a University and two Community Colleges has been profound. While mining gave the community it's start, the community has experienced a fundamental shift in our labour force over the past 40 years. The people of our community have gone from being labourers in the primary resource extraction industry to being, for example, highly educated medical professionals, highly trained technical researchers, and entrepreneurs in mining training. Our education and skills development capacity have been important in fostering innovation in advancing knowledge, creating a dynamic arts community, positioning our community as an area for immigration and have made us world recognized experts in areas of environmental expertise, such as re-greening.</p>	<p>A scarcity of student housing and retention of graduates in the City of Greater Sudbury area.</p>	<p>As Mayor, I will of course continue to champion the promotion of our excellent post secondary institutions. To address the senior's housing issue, the city is in the process currently of developing a rooming house by-law in order to insure that students have a safe, affordable and friendly housing. I am a member of a council committee that is working with city staff and a variety of city groups including the educational sector to develop such a licensing by-law. As for addressing the student retention issue, I believe the development of meaningful and rewarding careers locally will help motivate graduates to remain in the community. I have always been a major supporter of agencies and programs that move the economic growth and financial stability of the community forward. Business development will only be created when all sectors of the community are willing to forge meaningful partnerships and alliances directed towards creating new jobs.</p>

Rodriguez, John

<p>Greater Sudbury has three post-secondary institutions - Laurentian University, Cambrian College and College Boreal. In addition to providing outstanding educational opportunities for students from the local community, each of the institutions attracts thousands of out of town students and creates a significant impact on the city's economy. In recent years, all three institutions have undertaken important expansion projects sustaining hundreds of construction jobs through the recession. In addition to a straightforward economic impact resulting from student purchasing power and employee payroll, our university and colleges play an important role in Greater Sudbury's economic development initiatives, from tourism at Science North, through mining research at CEMI, trades development at College Boreal and energy efficient technologies at Cambrian College. Staff and management at all three institutions have played key roles in advancing many projects including most that involve research and innovation</p>	<p>Greater Sudbury has a tremendous relationship with the staff, management and students at all three institutions and the benefits they deliver far outweigh any problems. There are some challenges in terms of traffic congestion around the campuses and of meeting the demands for public transportation. Very few issues in which there are conflicts between the community and students have been identified. There are some emerging challenges resulting from the use of single family homes in certain neighbourhoods as student rooming houses. Noise, property standards, parking and traffic complaints have arisen in specific circumstances.</p>	<p>We have recently established a working group with representation from the municipality, college and university administrations and student leaders of all three post-secondary institutions. This group is working to establish a stronger relationship between "town and gown" and to better integrate students into the community. They are considering welcome events and information pamphlets for the start of the next academic year in September 2011. This group is also reviewing best practices in other cities in Ontario and working with our By-law Department to develop a Non-Owner Occupied Residential Licensing By-law that will provide the municipality with powers to regulate and restrict rooming houses in areas zoned for single family homes. I am a strong supporter of this initiative to target problem areas without creating issues for the vast majority of landlords and tenants. I had the opportunity to learn more about the Town and Gown Association of Ontario at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference earlier this year. We have now joined the association and we are encouraging Cam</p>
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Young, Derek

<p>- trains our workforce and municipal employees such as police, fire, ambulance, engineers, builders, etc - trades training in the construction and various industrial sector - help train and develop a skilled workforce in new sectors such as Green Jobs and Green Energy - continuing education - growing our tax base and residents by attracting new students and international students to our community - assist us in research and innovation through advanced technologies and practical experiences such as NORCAT and the Living with Lakes Centre - we are fortunate to have 2 colleges in Sudbury in both official languages and a university and medical school - a new school of architecture is proposed which will assist in Downtown revitalization - a large influx of new and returning spend money in our local shops and in our hospitality industry - as a former student leader and advocate, this experience allowed me to apply my knowledge while I was still in school and I apply the lessons daily on this campaign. That is the value of a post-secondary education</p>	<p>- ensuring we have adequate housing facilities. Many Downtown centres have added student residents - public transit is accessible and affordable - ensuring our employers in various sectors have opportunities for these students - once they are attracted to the municipality what have we done to keep them here - ensuring we have the amenities and services new students are accustomed to in their previous communities - promoting a healthy and safe vibrant community - tell our story and make Sudbury warm and welcoming to our students - changing the mindset of politicians and department managers who are stuck in their ways which does not allow for student advance and acts a barrier to understanding their concerns - engaging students in dialogue regarding their issues and putting those plans into action - ensuring have the political will to address their concerns</p>	<p>- enhancements to our existing transit service which would include express buses to other communities within the municipality, extended hours after 10pm and Sunday schedule to reflect current economy - implement a Mayor's Youth Cabinet - work directly with colleges and universities, chamber of commerce, GEODE, and other professional associations to ensure we are meeting the demands of the workforce - Use a best practice from North Bay - Mayor Vic Fedeli hosted a round-table on New Year's Day to talk to students about their concerns while they were home for Christmas - Expand the Laurentian University Universal Bus Pass program to include all other post-secondary schools - work with our police service to continue to promote proactive community policing and to identify initiatives to support and promote Downtown as student and business friendly - work with our council, staff, and community to develop and create the student services that are required - Promote and implement my 2020 Vision - 10 Year Action Plan of the Communities priorities</p>
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