



Reception Centre Resiliency Program





RURAL AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION

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The Reception Centre Resiliency Program provides financial assistance to municipalities and organizations who have been approved as a designated Reception Center location, for the purchase of generators and any other eligible upgrades needed, so when the need arises, they are able to serve as a gathering space for those in their communities.



This funding is being provided in partnership with the Department of Justice and Public Safety and the Department of Fisheries, Tourism, Sport and Culture, Rural and Regional Development Division

Maximum contribution of 80% of project costs, up to \$250,000.

Of maximum contribution provided, 80% of generator costs, up to \$50,000 can be included in project costs.

Qualifying organizations must be a designated reception center prior to applying to the program.



Eligible Expenses Include:

- Purchase and delivery of equipment required for a designated reception centre
- Purchase and delivery of equipment to enhance the safety and security of the reception (e.g. communication equipment, first aid supplies, etc.)
- Purchase and delivery of equipment to provide enhanced reception centre features
- Signage for advertising reception centre services
- Professional services required to install eligible equipment
- Site preparation work
- Repairs to existing infrastructure required for being a designated reception centre.



Minimum requirements for a Reception Centre:

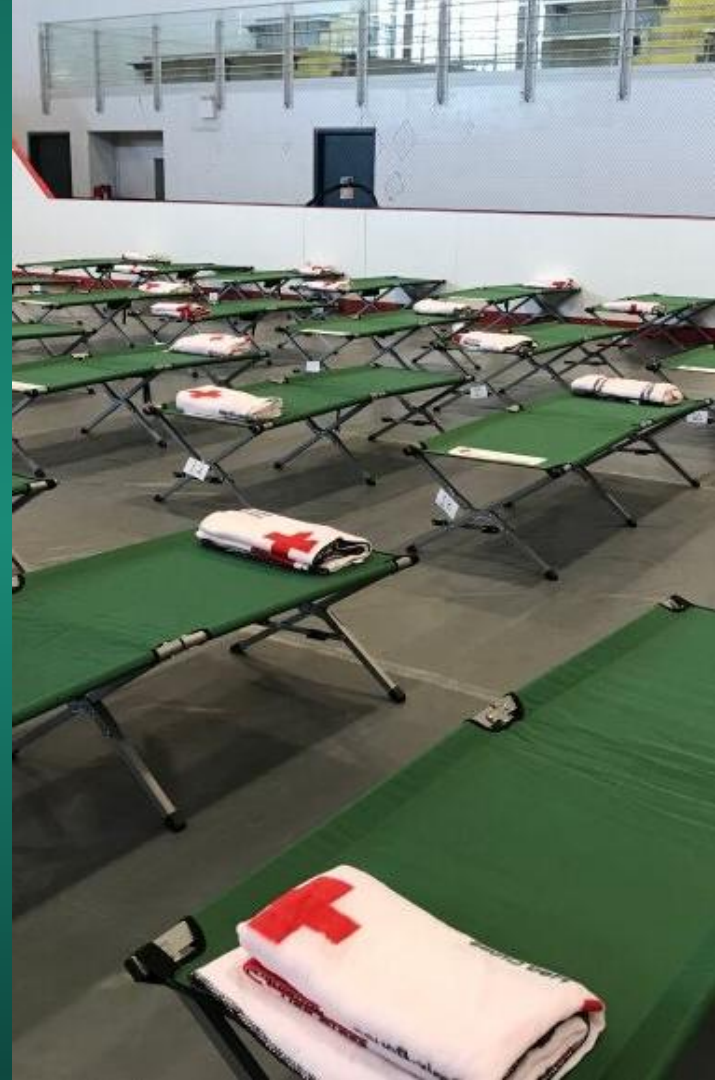
- Minimum capacity of 50
- Own the property or maintain a minimum five-year lease
- Have kitchen facilities to provide basic food and beverage service
- Publicly available internet/Wifi
- Table and Chairs for capacity
- Emergency lighting
- Heating equipment
- Ventilation or air conditioning operation
- Be able to remain open and provide services for up to 12 hours a day for a 7 day period if necessary
- Washroom facilities

Minimum requirements for a Reception Centre:

- Sufficient electrical outlets to allow for device charging -including extension cords
- Maintain a social media platform or alternate means to advise residents of services
- Appropriate outdoor signage identifying facility as a reception centre
- Documentation procedures to track attendees
- Clearly marked and accessible First Aid kit
- Required garbage disposal, cleaning supplies and washroom supplies (i.e. toilet paper and towels)
- Meet all fire code requirements
- Ability to ensure safe source of drinking water
- Develop a generator maintenance program with a designated individual to maintain.
- Develop a 7-day staff and or volunteer rotational schedule for Reception Centre management
- Designated individual with the Safe Food Handling certificate to oversee and manage food service

Enhanced Reception Centre:

- Entire facility is barrier-free
- Washroom facilities includes showers
- Laundry facilities
- Separate location near or within facility which can be used for temporary lodging or sheltering
- Children space for temporary childcare including staffing and activities
- Transportation plan
- Security staff
- Companion animal shelter plan



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