

Civil Security Plan

Municipality of Chelsea

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A Word from the Mayor

Dear citizens of Chelsea,

I am pleased to present our municipality's Civil Security Plan, which includes a summary portrait of the risks present on our territory as well as the measures planned to deal with disasters. It allows us to answer to the needs below:

- Respect the provisions of the rules concerning the alert and mobilization procedures and the minimum means of assistance to protect the safety of people and property in case of disaster.
- To encourage reflection on the risks of disasters present on our territory in order to take them into account in the context of our disaster preparedness.

The municipal coordinator of civil security and the municipal council have joined forces with the necessary personnel to research the potential hazards to which our municipality is exposed and to determine the main factors of vulnerability to them.

- Implementing general preparedness measures to deal with all types of disasters, both natural and manmade, considering the resources we have and those to which we have access through agreements with partners.
- To be able to react quickly and effectively in the event of disasters.

This plan is intended to be a evolving document. As our civil protection planning process develops, it will improve, both in terms of knowledge of the risks present on our territory and in the four dimensions of civil protection: prevention, preparation, intervention and recovery.

Through the adoption of this plan, the municipality thus ensures its responsibility to plan civil security on its territory and to prepare to respond to a disaster.

Caryl Green, Mayor

Objectives of the Civil Security Plan

In order to ensure the protection of people and property in the event of a disaster on its territory, the Municipality of Chelsea has prepared a Civil Security Plan, in compliance with the model proposed by the Department of Public Security (MSP).

The objectives of this plan are:

- to identify the potential hazards to which the municipality is exposed as well as the populations and properties on the territory that are more vulnerable to them;
- to put in place measures to enable the municipality to react promptly in the event of any type of disaster;
- to provide for the use of additional resources in the event of disasters by establishing agreements with other municipalities or organizations to increase the municipality's response capacity;
- to collaborate with various organizations that may be involved in disaster management.

The plan describes the measures planned by the municipality in order to:

- respond to various common needs that may be generated by disasters;
- ensure optimal mobilization and deployment of resources;
- allow for the fastest and most effective response and recovery possible in these situations.

It is part of an approach based on continuous improvement and the development of a culture of civil security within the municipality. In the same spirit, the identification of potential hazards and the factors of vulnerability to them represents a first step towards a better knowledge of the risks present on our territory.

Known risks present on our territory

Potential Hazards:

- Hazardous material spill;
- Forest fire;
- Tornado;
- Landslide;
- Flood;
- Major power outage;
- Earthquake;
- Winter and ice storm;
- Severe heat;
- Pandemic;
- Dam failure;
- Violent winds;
- Major fire.

Important:

GET INFORMATION about emergency measures in the event of a disaster and the measures to be taken during an emergency situation at: www.urgencequebec.gouv.qc.ca