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## Request to Speak at a Standing Committee or Regional Council

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Presentation Topic

Comprehensive list of needs for mental health, homelessness and addiction and addiction services capacity in Niagara Region

Presentation includes slides

Yes

Previously presented topic

No

Presentation Details

I would like Niagara Region Public Health and Social Services to support developing a comprehensive list of needs in terms of mental health, homelessness and addiction services in the Niagara Region. Niagara Region remains under a state of emergency for mental health, homelessness and addiction since Feb of 2023 and states of emergencies in Ontario are coordinated through the Provincial Emergency Operations Centre (PEOC), who also bring multiple provincial ministries to the table for better communication, collaboration and coordination of municipal states of emergencies. After the list of needs is developed at the Niagara Region, I would like to see it forwarded to the PEOC for their consideration. After the emergency was declared, the Niagara Region did in fact inform the PEOC, but to my knowledge, there hasn't been additional follow up since. The second part of my presentation pertains to addiction services capacity in the Niagara Region. I am requesting that Niagara Region Public Health and Social Services request that staff develop/draft a report on what is currently available in terms of addictions services in Niagara. This is an important first investigative step in the path to push for increased addiction services in the Niagara Region.

Video Consent

Yes

