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Stouffville answers call for help

Community pitches in to aid ice storm victims

JOAN RANSBERRY
 Staff Reporter

With a million people still freezing in the dark in eastern Ontario and Quebec, Stouffville is answering the call for help.

While residents have been asked to donate flashlights, batteries, food and pet food, on Tuesday, town officials, including Whitchurch-Stouffville mayor Wayne Emmerson checked the

town-owned stocks to see if there was anything that would help lessen the terrible burden brought on by one of the worst natural disasters in Canadian history.

Two portable generators at the Stouffville Fire Department have been tagged and are ready to go, a large bundle of wire at the Stouff-

ville Hydro utility office has been checked and is suitable to be used in a stricken area and Stouffville residents have called the town office offering generators, chain saws and other help.

Yesterday afternoon, Musselman's Lake resident Vicky Hanes put the wheels in motion to have

her workplace, Micky Rats, which is located next door to Stouffville fire station on Main Street, act as a dropoff spot for such donated goods as non-perishable food, cat and dog food, candles and sleeping bags.

Stouffville's public works director Paul Whitehouse is acting as local relief effort coordinator.

He's working with a York regional team making sure what's being

sent is needed and goes to the right place.

On Monday, York Region sent help, including trucks, staff, arborists, equipment and generators to the South Frontenac area north of Kingston. That area is now up on its feet.

"We're being re-assigned," said Whitehouse.

Equipment from York Region

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Strike rebate deadline

Tomorrow, Jan. 16, is the last day families can file to get a "fairness payment" resulting from the Ontario teachers' strike.

Both area school boards have forms parents can use to claim \$40 for each day of the strike. There is a maximum of \$400 for public school families, and \$200 for Catholic school parents in York Region, where separate school teachers cut the provincial walkout short with their own local, legal strike.

The separate board has said Catholic parents may get their money by the end of January.

The public board, with more claims to process, won't be ready to pay until next month.



PUPPET THEATRE: From left, Carly Doyle, 5, and Emily O'Connor, 5, play with the puppet theatre in Senior Kindergarten class at St. Mark Catholic School in Stouffville on Tuesday afternoon.

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