



City of Peterborough Media Release

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Public Safety Announcement Downed Wires

The City of Peterborough's Emergency Control Group has activated the **Public Inquiry Centre Line at 876-4636** in response to the severe line of thunderstorms that hit the area late last evening and early this morning.

Residents are urged to stay away from any downed wires.

Peterborough Utilities Services crews are working non-stop to resolve power outages. At the peak of the storm, nearly 15,000 customers were without power. All major power feeders have been restored. There remain isolated pockets without power. These will continue to be addressed throughout the day and into the evening.

If you are without power, fridges and freezers should be left closed as much as possible to avoid food spoilage. The Peterborough City and County Health Unit will be issuing an advisory with respect to food handling and care.

Residents with questions or concerns should contact the City of Peterborough's **Public Inquiry Centre at 876-4636**. To report power outages or fallen trees please use the Public Inquiry Centre line. Calls of this nature should **not** be directed to 911.

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This information is also available on our City of Peterborough website at www.city.peterborough.on.ca

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