



## Canadian Gujarati Cultural Association of Northern Ontario

### **CGCANO's initiative for appreciating Front-line Healthcare Workers at Long-term Care Homes in Greater Sudbury.**

“COVID-19” has affected all of us in one or the other way. Front-line healthcare workers are facing the brunt of this pandemic disproportionately more. This fact prompted Canadian Gujarati Cultural Association of Northern Ontario (CGCANO) to look into ways in which gratitude can be shown to these selfless heroes. A lot of brainstorming hours over video conferencing led to this idea of organizing a meal for all staff members at long-term care facilities across the city of Greater Sudbury. The members at CGCANO executed this plan with keeping in mind all restrictions following provincial and federal COVID-19 guidelines.

Gujarati culture is both, ancient and modern. They historically come from the western most state of Gujarat in India. A community of about 250 Gujaratis live in Greater Sudbury area. CGCANO is a representation of a myriad culture that is famous for its vibrant and peace-loving people.

We are pleased to announce that CGCANO was able to manage organizing one meal for about 1700 staff members at long-term care facilities in Greater Sudbury. CGCANO received a lot of support from member owned Subway and Quiznos restaurants, community volunteers and the fund-raising activities to see this plan through. Encouragement from local businesses like Belanger Construction proved valuable. All participating long-term care homes were very responsive to our communications, which was imperative for the quick execution of the plan.

To learn more about CGCANO and its activities, please visit <https://www.gcanorthernontario.com>. Comment and like on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/sudbury.gujju> Together, we will sail through this.

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