Benefits of becoming a member?

OnWARN provides member utilities with:

- Significant economic benefit and no cost to participate.
- Increased emergency preparedness.
- A single agreement to access resources across the province.
- Expedited deployment of assistance and resources.
- Assistance with response to events which impact large areas when response from adjacent utilities is not possible.
- Responder indemnification and reimbursement.
- A forum for developing and maintaining emergency contacts and relationships.

OnWARN members

There is no cost to join OnWARN. Members who sign the Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement are given an up-to-date list of emergency contacts, plus a list relevant to the size and operation of their utility that references available resources.

Members can include any public or private water or wastewater utilities, owners, or operating authorities.

Associate Members can include non-utility participants, approved by OnWARN’s Steering Committee, that provide a support role for the OnWARN program.

For more information

...about membership or the OnWARN program, visit the website at [www.onwarn.org](http://www.onwarn.org) or contact by e-mail: [info@onwarn.org](mailto:info@onwarn.org)
What is OnWARN?

A network of utilities helping other utilities to respond to and recover from emergencies.

Matches water/wastewater utility resources to specific needs during an emergency to aid in locating emergency equipment and trained personnel.

Uses a Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement to expedite resource sharing.

Participation is voluntary and there is no obligation to respond.

Why is OnWARN Important?

Establishes agreement and protocols to access resources and knowledgeable personnel in water & wastewater systems.

Forum for establishing and maintaining emergency contacts.

Facilitates training.

Doesn’t require declaration of emergency.

Organization

OnWARN is comprised of a volunteer Leadership Team whose members represent Ontario public water and wastewater utilities and government agencies.

The Leadership Team works to increase and diversify membership in order to enhance coordination on emergency and related issues. The team also provides contact information on disaster planning, response and recovery.

Current Leadership Team members include:
- City of Greater Sudbury
- City of Guelph
- City of London
- City of Windsor
- Peterborough Utilities Services Inc.
- Regional Municipality of Durham
- Regional Municipality of Niagara
- Regional Municipality of Waterloo
- Town of Midland
- Ontario Clean Water Agency
- Ontario Water Works Association
- Water Environment Association of Ontario
- Canadian Water Works Association
- Emergency Management Ontario
- Ontario Ministry of the Environment