



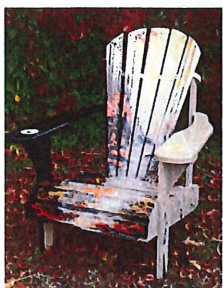
Welcome to....

# The Village of South River

2023

The Village of South River's mission is to be a safe, green, healthy, attractive and economically vibrant community that plans for its future in a financially sustainable and economically responsible manner.

South River has a permanent population of 1,100. The village is the paddling entrance to Algonquin Park and can lay claim to being the second busiest Park access after Hwy 60. South River is a comparatively small, but vibrant community near two provincial parks – Algonquin, 20 kilometres to the east, and Miskew, 12 kilometres to the west. The Village offers a wide variety of facilities for the whole family, such as the arena with year-round ice, curling clubs, tennis courts, baseball fields, library, daycare, Royal Canadian Legion, Women's Own Resource Centre, and a senior's drop-in centre. South River is home to a vibrant manufacturing, industrial, commercial and retail economy powered by a strong local workforce, three phase power, natural gas, municipal water and fibre optic internet. Visit [explorealmaguin.ca](http://explorealmaguin.ca) for more information.



## Health Services

**South River—Machar Medical Centre:** Located at 140 Ottawa Avenue, South River, the centre hosts an open practice medical centre, optometrists and blood work clinics. For more information call 705-386-0512.

**Almaguin Family Dental:** Located at 100 Ottawa Ave, Unit 4, South River. Contact; 705-386-2318

**Algonquin Fitness & Massage:** Located at 32 Marie Street, South River. Contact 705-386-7127 for more information.

**Guardian—South River Pharmacy:** Located at 311 HWY 124, South River. Contact 705-386-0636.

## South River—Machar Arena & Community Centre

As the home to a number of groups and activities, this facility is well equipped to accommodate a variety of sports, recreation, culture and leisure activities. The following are services provided; Arena ice from July to March, community centre space, well equipped kitchen, snack bar & skate sharpening. Our Community Centre hall is available for rentals, for wedding receptions, anniversary parties and other family get-togethers. For rental information please call the South River Machar Community Centre at 705-386-2622.

1A Lincoln Ave, South River

## Code Red

Please take a moment to sign up for *Code Red*. Code Red can inform you about local emergency situations, water related priorities such as boil water advisories or water conservation requirements, etc. When a Code Red message is sent, those who have signed up for the service receive the message instantly. In order to receive these messages, you must sign-up for the service. Call the South River—Machar Fire Department @ (705)386-0066 for more information or to sign-up. You can also sign-up online at [www.srmfd.com](http://www.srmfd.com).

## Social Services Information

**The Parry Sound District Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB):** oversees the delivery of social services in the community including **First Steps Daycare** located at 16 Toronto Ave for more information visit [psdssab.org](http://psdssab.org)

**Women's Own Resource Centre:** Provides information, referral and support to women throughout the community. For more information call 705-386-9672 or visit [womensownresource.org](http://womensownresource.org) Located at 105 Ottawa Ave.

## South River—Machar Union Public Library

Visit our library at 63 Marie Street, South River or call 705-386-0222 for more information.

### Hours of Operation

Monday:	4:00 PM—5 PM, 6:00PM—8:00PM
Tuesday:	10:30 AM—12:30 PM, 1:00PM—5:00PM
Wednesday:	4:00 PM—5:00 PM, 6:00PM—8:00PM
Thursday:	10:30 AM—12:30 PM, 1:00PM—5:00PM
Friday:	1:00 PM—5:00 PM
Saturday:	10:00 AM—12:00 PM
Sunday :	CLOSED

Website: [southriver.olsn.ca](http://southriver.olsn.ca)

## Education in South River

**South River Public School—**137 Ottawa Ave 705-475-2325

**Almaguin Highland Secondary School—**21 Mountain View Rd 705-472-5563

**Almaguin Adult Learning Centre:** Skills & Education  
Upgrading for Adults—324 Hwy. 124 705-386-0764

**Employment North—**131 Ottawa Ave 705-384-1110  
French and Catholic Schools available by bus.

## Places of Worship

**South River Christian Assembly—**63 Ottawa Ave, South River

**Higher Heights Christian Fellowship—**79 Ottawa Ave, South River

**St. Augustine's Church—**23 Isabella St., South River

**Follow us on Facebook!** The Village of South River is on Facebook. Be sure to visit us there so you can see current information.

### Municipal Office Hours

Monday—Friday  
8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

### **2022-26 Council**

**Mayor Jim Coleman**  
**Deputy Mayor Bill O'Hallarn**  
**Councillor Brenda Scott**  
**Councillor Teri Brandt**  
**Councillor Robert Brooks**

### Recreation Information

Take advantage of what South River has to offer! **Tennis, Pickle-ball, and Basket Ball courts & Baseball diamond** are available to the public all summer long at the South River Machar Arena. Take a stroll through Tom Thomson park located at the end of Tom Thomson Lane, this park boasts beautiful gardens, **walking path**, staging area, **boat launch** and an **18 hole disc golf course**. **Beach Volleyball** at Tebbly Park and the **Skate Park** at Dufferin Park are excellent ways to stay active.

Explore [southriver.ca](http://southriver.ca) for more details on events and information about the Almaguin Highlands!  
**South River Friendly Circle- 50 Plus Senior Club.** Lots of weekly and monthly activities for members and non-members. Located at 10 Isabella Street, 705-386-0322.

**South River Curling Club—** Located at 1A Lincoln Ave, 705-386-2966.

**South River Legion Branch 390—** Located on 95 Ottawa Ave. 705-386-2906

### Property Tax & Administration Department

Municipal tax bills are distributed twice per year and have a total of 4 installments/due dates. The interim tax bills are mailed near the end of February each year and normally have due dates on the last business day of March and June. The final tax bills are mailed near the end of August and normally have installment due dates on the last business day of September and November. The final tax bill is determined by the current year's tax rate less the interim billing. Interest is charged monthly at a rate of 1.25%.

*Please be sure to keep your address updated with us here at the office. If you get your tax and water bill to General Delivery and then get a mail box please let us know ASAP, otherwise you may not be getting your bills in a timely manner.*

### Water Department

Water bills are processed every two months and consumption information is displayed on each water bill.

During the times when the water mains are being flushed discoloured water can be an issue. Please plan your household tasks accordingly. Once the flushing is complete, it is recommended to clean the screens on your taps and if necessary let a cold water tap run outside until any coloured water has cleared. If you have a complaint about municipal water, please submit a Water Complaint Form. There is a naturally high iron content in the local water table. The South River was historically referred to as the "red river". For more information visit

Our water department page at [southriver.ca](http://southriver.ca)

### South River –Machar Fire Department

Residents can contact the department directly on the NON-EMERGENCY phone line at (705)386-0066. The fire department is located at 148 Ottawa Ave. Fire permits are required year round & are available at [www.srmfd.com](http://www.srmfd.com)

### Dog Tags

*Every person who owns a dog shall register their dog with the Village, and shall pay a license fee once for a lifetime license for the life of the dog. No person living in a single unit dwelling within the Village of South River shall own or keep more than two dogs. And no person living in a multi-unit dwelling within the Village of South River shall own or keep more than one dog.*

### Building Department

The Building Department is located in the Township of Strong Municipal Office, 28 Municipal Lane Sundridge ON. Office hours are Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Please call 705-384-9444 for an appointment.

### By-law Information

The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer can be contacted with complaints or inquiries at [almaguinbylaw@southriver.ca](mailto:almaguinbylaw@southriver.ca). Or call 705-358-6230  
Our By-Law officer CANNOT follow up on any complaints unless it is in writing signed and delivered to the office.

### Waste and Recycling Services

**Regular household waste** is collected every Friday and there is a two bag limit. Fibre and Plastic recyclables are collected on alternate weeks. Place your household waste & recycling at the end of your driveway each Friday no later than 8:00 AM.

If you have any questions regarding recycling, please call the service provider; Waste Connections of Canada: 1-800-461-4448, Residential Collection Direct Line: (705)645-4453 ext. 5623 or 5600. Visit our waste and recycling page at [southriver.ca](http://southriver.ca) for a schedule.

**Household Hazardous Items** can be deposited on designated dates at the Strong Landfill Site #1, 483 Forest Lake Road. Scheduled dates for this service are May 27 & August 26, 2023 10 AM-2 PM. **North Bay's Household Hazardous Waste Program** accepts various hazardous waste products from South River residents. Please visit [www.northbay.ca](http://www.northbay.ca) for more information.

### Public Works

The Village of South River's Public Works Department provides year round maintenance of roads, sidewalks and grounds within the Village. To contact Public Works please call (705) 386-0245.

Read about the Village of South River's Snow Removal Policy available on the Village of South River website for information about how the roads and sidewalks are maintained during winter months.