

**Your Gateway to
a Life Well-Lived**



**Plant your roots in an
affordable home, seize new
opportunities, and live in a
year-round playground.**



Fresh air, open horizons, and a community that
feels easy to call home.



You Only Live Once. Make it Yours.

Life has a way of slipping through your fingers. Traffic, the stress of rising housing costs, and the weight of a routine make our days feel more like survival than living.

You feel it—the pull for something more, a life that reflects who you are and what you value. Maybe it's the dream of starting your own business, carving out more time for family, or simply waking up without the pressure of a clock ticking down.

Well, you're not alone. Countless others share that same pull, that longing for a fresh start where meaning takes centre stage.

The good news? It's not too late.

Keep reading to discover how to make it happen—because the life you want is closer than you think.

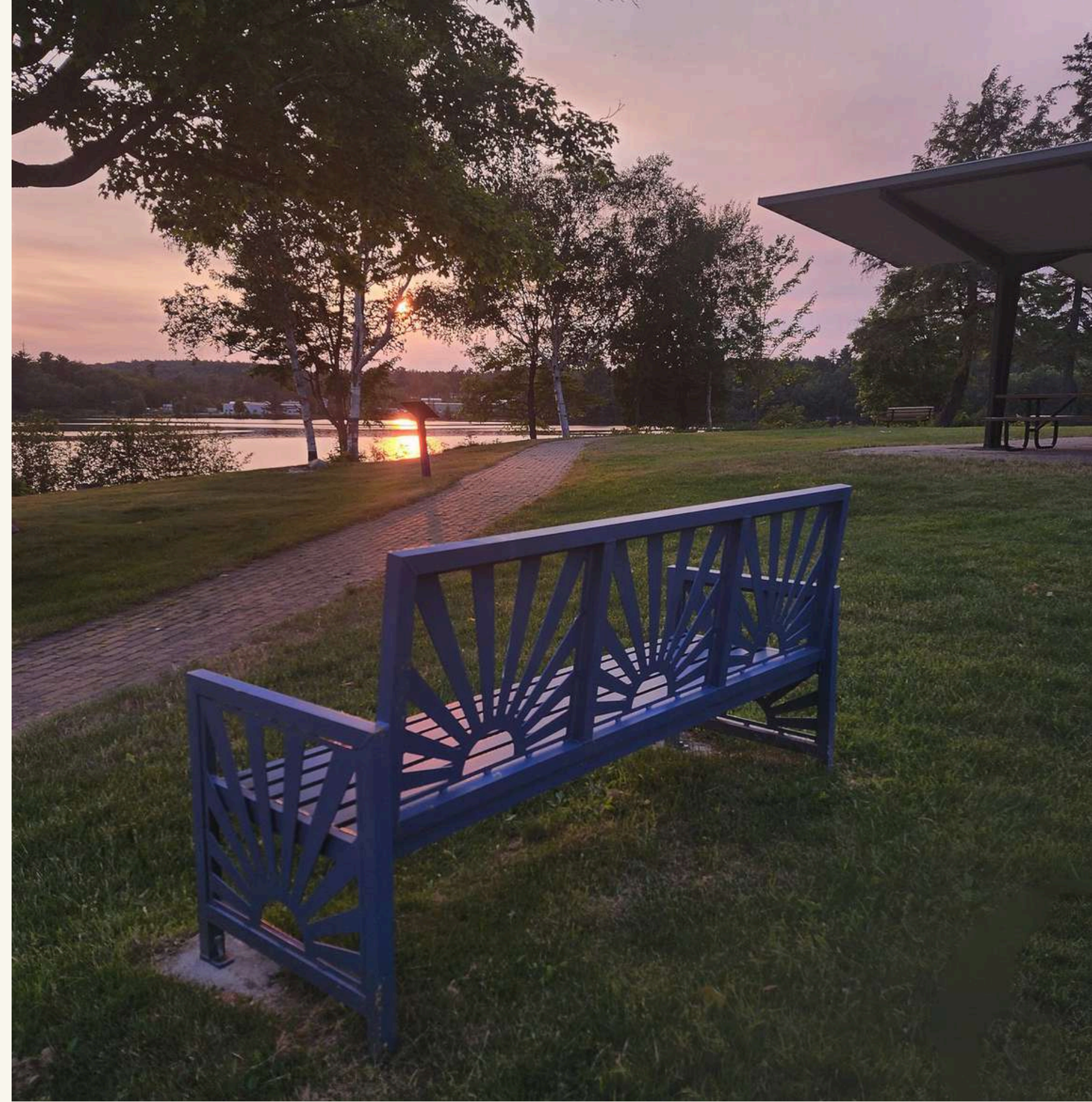


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Welcome to Elliot Lake

Swap the city grind for Elliot Lake, your year-round playground. Here, you can buy a house for what you'd spend on a Toronto condo's down payment and still have enough to start that bakery you've been daydreaming about during your commutes.

In Elliot Lake, you're never more than 10 minutes from a lake, a trail, or a neighbour who'll invite you to a barbecue. It's the kind of place where your kids can roam, and you won't have to worry.

With over 400 lakes, countless trails for hiking, skiing, snowshoeing, snowmobiling and ATVing and a welcoming community that embraces everyone, this isn't just a place to live—it's a place to belong. The second you start to unpack, you're an Elliot Laker.

Close your laptop at 5 PM, be on a serene lake in a kayak by 5:10, and rediscover a life that's yours.



Why It's Time to Leave the City

City life has its perks, but for many, the drawbacks are piling up, pushing them to rethink where they call home.

- **Out of Reach Housing Costs:** Home prices in urban centres like Edmonton and Toronto have jumped more than 12% year-over-year, making it nearly impossible for families or young professionals to afford a decent home.
- **Time Lost in Stop-and-Go City Traffic:** Congested city roads add 21% to travel times, turning errands or outings into a slog and taking time from family or hobbies.
- **Limited Space:** Urban areas have up to 4x higher population density, leaving you with cramped apartments, tiny yards, or crowded parks where calm is hard to find.
- **Noise Pollution:** Constant city noise—often over 55 decibels from traffic or crowds—spikes stress and disrupts sleep, draining your overall well-being.

The Alternative? Choose Elliot Lake.

Elliot Lake offers a life where you can breathe easier, live bigger, and reconnect with what matters—without giving up the essentials.

- **Attainable Homeownership:** With a median home price of ~\$233,000 and a large inventory of homes on the market (from \$130,000 starters to \$600,000 lakefront gems), you can sell your \$1.2M Toronto condo and buy a spacious home here and with the money left over you can start that business you've been dreaming about. With median home prices around \$233,000, Elliot Lake offers far more space and value than major cities like Toronto and Vancouver, where prices exceed \$1.1 million and lot sizes are much smaller.
- **Everything Within Reach:** Everything's a 10-minute drive—hospital with ER, English and French schools. No traffic jams, just more time for you.
- **Space to Live Your Way:** With plenty of crown land and 400+ lakes, you've got room for hobbies, pets, or quiet evenings. Your backyard feels like a retreat.
- **Built for Well-Being:** Swap city noise for lakefront sunsets. Join neighbours at Winterfest or a local art club, and rediscover a life where you set the pace, not the city.

Take our quick "[Is Elliot Lake Right for You?](#)" quiz to find out.

Things to Do in Elliot Lake

Elliot Lake is your launchpad for adventure, where every day feels like a getaway. Dive into outdoor fun or cozy community gatherings.

Here's how to live big in this Northern Ontario gem.

Summer Adventures

- [Golf at Stone Ridge Golf Course](#): Tee off at the 18-hole Stone Ridge Golf Course, where rolling fairways meet jaw-dropping views. Grab a burger at the clubhouse's restaurant or join locals for men's and women's nights. It's golf with a side of community.
- [Beach Days at Spruce and Spine Beaches](#): Lounge on the soft sands of these Blue Flag-certified beaches, perfect for swimming, picnics, or a sunset stroll. Spruce Beach has lifeguards and trails nearby, while Spine Beach offers serene waters for a quiet escape.
- [Kayaking and Fishing](#): Paddle or cast a line with five free municipal boat launches. Rent a kayak or fish for a wide range of species—your next big catch is minutes from downtown.



Things to Do in Elliot Lake

Winter Escapes

- [Skiing at Mount Dufour Ski Hill](#): Rip down Mount Dufour's seven runs with a 320-foot vertical drop, where short lift lines let you squeeze in dozens of runs a day. Refuel with chilli in the chalet's warm glow.
- [Snowmobiling, ATVing and Ice Fishing](#): Zoom across on one of Ontario's largest insured ATV/snowmobile trail networks or drill a hole for ice fishing on pristine lakes. Winter here is a playground, not a season to endure.
- [Winterfest](#): Bundle up for Winterfest, with snowshoe treks, family events and skiing. It's a community party that warms the heart.
- [Hockey and Skating](#): Lace up your skates. Join a youth or adult hockey league or our figure skating club! The Elliot Lake Vikings offer amazing Junior A hockey thrills!



Things to Do in Elliot Lake

Year-Round Explorations

- **Outdoor Treks on foot, by bike or by ski:** Explore the rugged trails of [Mississagi Provincial Park](#) or the 4-km Elliot Lake [Bob Stirling Ski and Bike Trail](#), perfect for spotting wildlife or snapping photos. [The Nooks Bouldering Area](#) offers world class bouldering problems!
- **Wildlife and Views:** Climb the [Fire Tower Lookout](#) for panoramic vistas of lakes and forests, or wander [Sheriff Creek Wildlife Sanctuary](#) to spot a wide range of wildlife among water lilies.
- **Community Hubs:** Reflect on history at the [Miners Memorial](#), a tribute to Elliot Lake's mining past, or catch local bands at [Westview Park's](#) Summer in the Park Concert Series, where genres from folk to rock to country fill the air.



Things to Do in Elliot Lake

Unique Experiences

Family Fun at William Lozier All Wheels Park: The William Lozier All Wheels Park features an asphalt pump track suitable for use by bikes, scooters, skateboards, wheelchairs and more.

- **Cultural Dives:** Explore Elliot Lake's arts scene! join art classes at the Arts and Heritage Centre to unleash your creative side, or just stop by to enjoy their most recent installment.
- **World-Class Bouldering:** Take on the Nooks Bouldering Area, home to world-class bouldering problems set among Elliot Lake's rugged Northern Ontario landscape. Climbers of different skill levels can test themselves on challenging routes while enjoying a truly unique outdoor setting.

Local Tip: Join locals at Lumberjack Days or the Fishing Derby to get an authentic feel of Elliot Lake's community. These events are where neighbours become friends over shared laughs and stories.

Find out more by visiting the [Elliot Lake Recreation and Culture page](#).

Explore More Adventures!

Driftscape

The Driftscape app is your personal tour guide in your pocket.

Download the app today and start planning your trip now!

Start Exploring

Visit the Welcome Center

You can discover more about the city's attractions by visiting the Elliot Lake Welcome Centre at City Hall.

The friendly staff are happy to answer any questions you may have and provide you with brochures and maps to help make the most of your visit. While you're there, purchase an Elliot Lake hoodie or t-shirt!..

You can contact the Welcome Centre by calling 705-848-2287 ext. 2100

Hours

The Welcome Centre is located at City Hall and is open from:

- Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Closed Saturdays and Sundays



In Elliot Lake Everyone Belongs.

Elliot Lake is proud to be a community that welcomes people from all backgrounds and creates space for everyone to feel included.

Recognized as the Pride Capital of the North in 2017, the city continues to celebrate its LGBTQ+ community through Elliot Lake Pride and its annual Pride Festival. Since 2013, the event has brought residents together through educational activities, community gatherings, a church service, and a flag-raising at City Hall.

Pride in Elliot Lake is about more than one weekend. It reflects a community that values respect, connection, and the freedom to be yourself.

Elliot Lake as a community is becoming more diverse. The City has seen our Afro-Caribbean, African and South Asian communities grow. From festivals to a supportive business environment the City is welcome to everyone.



Finding Your Dream Home

Elliot Lake is where you can finally live the life you've worked for—a place where safety, community, and quality time come first. Swap the GTA's grind for a cozy single-family starter or a sprawling lakefront retreat.

You've got options to start fresh or upgrade big.

Your Home, Your Lifestyle

With a large inventory of homes, Elliot Lake's housing market is filled with choices. Detached, semi-detached, townhome or condo, the choices are plentiful. Almost all of the lots within the city are mature, so there are plenty of trees to hang a hammock!

Looking to build your own or develop? The City has many single and multi-unit lots available.

Zoning supports single dwellings, duplexes, townhouses, and home-based businesses.



Find the home that fits your life!



Cash Out, Live Better

Ditch the GTA's grind and cash out for a life that puts you first. Elliot Lake, just a 5.5-hour drive from Toronto, offers the services of a big city—hospital, schools, and dining—quality of life is just another day.

Sell your Toronto condo and buy a single-family home here for \$189,000–\$275,000, leaving cash to start that cafe or bakery, fund a side gig, or simply soak up the lakefront views.

Selling your city condo and cashing out isn't just about saving money—it's about gaining time, freedom, and a community that sets you up for success.

Find your life balance

No need for two incomes—one salary covers a mortgage and leaves room for kayaking, skiing, or barbecues with neighbours who feel like family from day one. Sure, Amazon might take an extra day, but you'll be too busy hiking trails or relaxing by one of the many lakes to care.

In Elliot Lake, you don't just buy a home; you come out on top with a life you love. It's time to **Find Your Fresh Start!**

So, are you ready?

Moving's a big step—no need to rush.

Book a weekend at one of Elliot Lake's great accommodations to experience the lifestyle firsthand. We're pretty sure you'll be back.

- **Hotels:** Stay at the Hampton Inn.
- **Campgrounds:** Pitch a tent at Westview Trailer Park, Mississagi Provincial Park, or South Bay Park.
- **Lodges and Wilderness Resorts:** Unwind at Dunlop Lake Lodge, Laurentian Lodge, Ten Mile Lake Lodge, or Wilderness Lodge.
- **Short-Term Rentals:** Find cozy options on [Airbnb](#) or [VRBO](#).

Plan Your Visit

For more information about places to stay, visit the Elliot Lake Welcome Centre at City Hall:

email: EDO@elliottlake.ca



Amenities & Services

Elliot Lake offers a full range of amenities that make it an ideal place to live, blending small-town feel with big-city conveniences.

Here's a look at what makes Elliot Lake stand out for residents:

- **Healthcare and Social Services:** St. Joseph's General Hospital provides comprehensive care, including emergency services and operating rooms. Social services, such as Algoma Family Services, support families and youth.
- **Education:** Families will appreciate the 8 schools the community offering English and French programs for all ages.
- **Shopping and Dining:** With national chains like Canadian Tire, Foodland, No Frills, Shoppers Drug Mart, Dollarama, and RONA, plus local boutiques and over 17 dining options, including Fireside Classic Grill, Chuck's Roadhouse, and many fast-food choices, you'll find everything from groceries to gifts close to home.
- **Indoor Recreation:** Stay active year-round at the newly renovated Rogers Arena, the Municipal Pool, and multiple fitness centres, with sports clubs, swimming, skating, and community activities for a range of ages and interests. It's easy to stay active, connect with others, and make recreation part of everyday life in Elliot Lake.



Community and Cultural Centres

Community and Cultural centres: The Elliot Lake Arts and Heritage Centre offers a place for budding and experienced artists to express themselves. Are you a performer? Groups like the The Elliot Lake Amateur Theater Ensemble, the Stage Door Players and the Jewels and Gents are ready to welcome everyone to join or attend their performances and workshops.

- **Transportation:** An efficient transit system with four bus routes and Handi-lift services makes getting around easy, connecting all neighbourhoods.

Connections that Matter

Explore our community resources on [Our Community page](#).

Business Opportunities

Elliot Lake isn't just a place to live—it's where your business can take root and grow. With low costs, robust infrastructure, and a community that rallies behind entrepreneurs, this town is a launchpad for your next big idea.

Start Your Dream Business

Your idea has room to grow here

Imagine outfitting weekend anglers at your own tackle shop, or guiding snowmobilers across some of Ontario's best trail networks. Elliot Lake's underserved markets are ripe for outdoor gear retailers, guiding services, and tourism operators ready to meet the demand.

The Elliot Lake and North Shore Corporation for Business Development (ELNOS) and East Algoma Community Futures Development Corporation (EACFDC) offer financing and mentorship to help your idea get off the ground.

Ready to turn your vision into reality?

Connect with Elliot Lake's Economic Development team through the Invest & Grow page, or email EDO@elliotlake.ca for grants, resources, and personalized support to grow your business in Elliot Lake.



Work Remotely, Live Fully

Close your laptop at 5 PM and hit the trails by 5:15

With cable DSL at 300 Mbps and fibre optic upgrades on the horizon, Elliot Lake is a haven for remote workers and tech startups. Run your online business from a lakeview home office, free from urban distractions.

The Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) provides grants for digital ventures, while Contact North offers free online courses like “Start Your Business From Scratch” to sharpen your skills.

Logistics That Deliver

Your business stays connected, not stuck in traffic

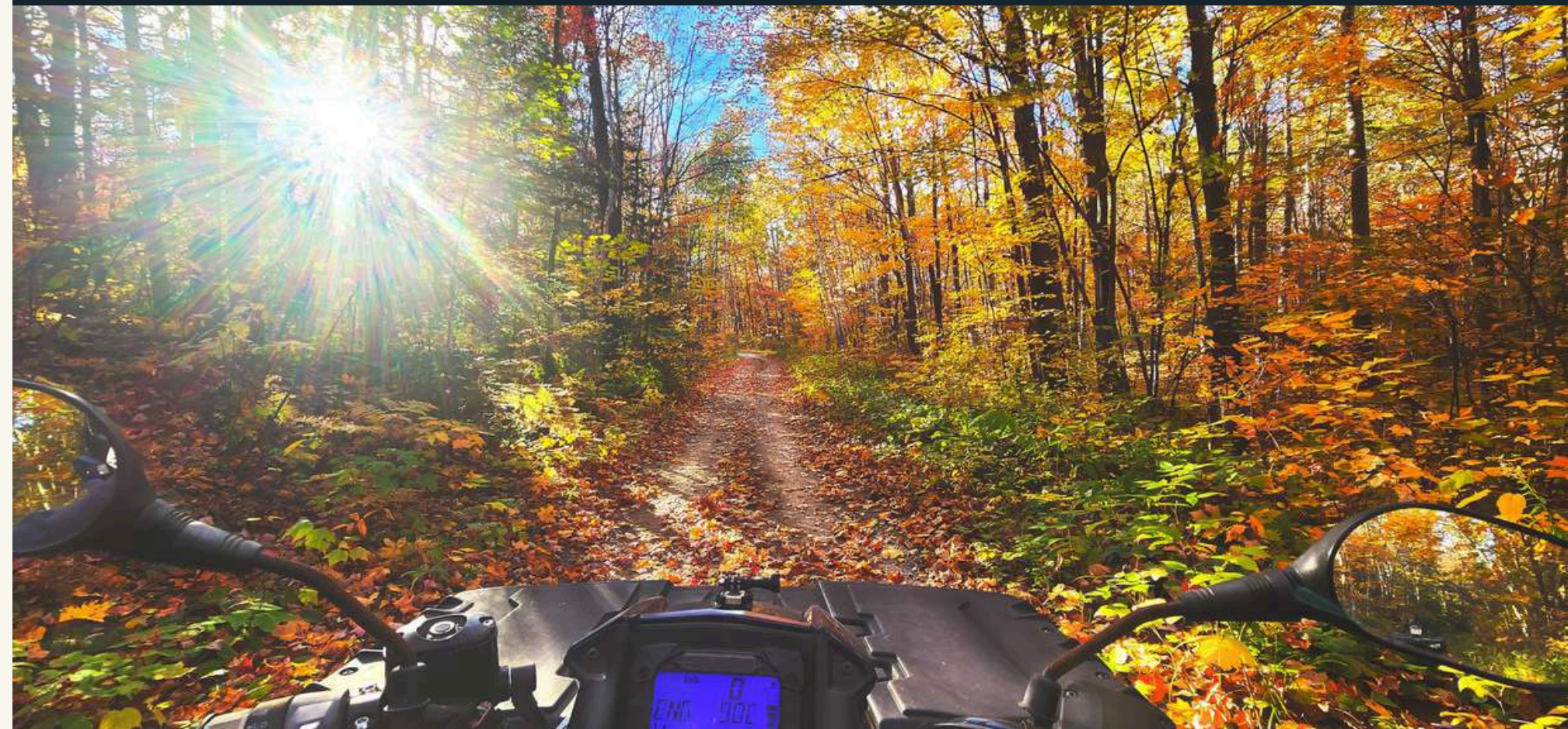
Highway 108 connects Elliot Lake to the Trans-Canada Highway, providing access to Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, or a US border crossing (180 mins). Purolator offers daily service for shipping and deliveries, while the municipal airport provides access for chartered flights.

Fill High-Demand Gaps

Step into a ready market with open doors

The town's workforce is aging out, and that's opening doors fast. Trades like HVAC, plumbing, and electrical are in short supply, healthcare roles come with guaranteed placements for nurses and doctors, and registered massage therapists can set their own rates.

Visitor numbers are climbing too, with room for equipment rental shops and lodging services. Tourism Excellence North offers training to help you get started.



Accessibility for All

Build a business that makes a difference

Elliot Lake's age-friendly design, with Handi-lift transit and accessible facilities, supports businesses catering to seniors or those with mobility needs. From healthcare services to adaptive equipment rentals, your business can serve a growing demographic in a safe, low-crime community.

Low Costs, High Rewards

Your passion project won't break the bank

With median home prices at ~\$233,000, you can invest in your business, not your overhead. The Community Improvement Plan offers grants for storefront upgrades, and a business tax incentive keeps costs down. Compared to urban centres, Elliot Lake's affordability reduces the risk of going all-in. Elliot Lake offers low living costs, fast internet with fibre on the way, convenient access to Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, and the U.S. border crossing at Sault Ste. Marie, plus strong local support through ELNOS and East Algoma CFDC.

Launch Your Future

Connect with our Economic Development team at our [Invest & Grow page](#) for grants, resources, and personalized support to grow your business in Elliot Lake, or contact the team directly at EDO@elliotlake.ca.



Is it Time to Make the Switch?

Ready to leave the city's hustle behind and step into a life that feels like yours? Elliot Lake is your *year-round playground*, where quality of life, community, and opportunity come together.

Here's why Elliot Lake is the fresh start you've been searching for.

- **Attainable Homes:** Trade your GTA condo for a single-family home at \$189,000–\$275,000, with a wide range of housing options available including single-family homes or lakefront retreats. One income covers a mortgage, leaving room for what matters.
- **Thriving Community:** Neighbours welcome you like family, with low crime rates ensuring kids play freely and you feel secure. Events like Winterfest and Lumberjack Days bring everyone together.
- **Outdoor Paradise:** With 400+ lakes, trails, Stone Ridge Golf Course, and Mount Dufour Ski Hill, you're minutes from adventure.
- **Business Ready:** Build your next venture with high-speed DSL, fibre on the way, direct access to Highway 108, and an Economic Development Department ready to help cafés, trades, and remote startups get established and grow.
- **Big-City Services, Small-Town Ease:** St. Joseph's General Hospital, English and French schools, and plenty of dining options keep life convenient, while Handi-lift transit ensures accessibility for all.

You're not just leaving the city—you're stepping into a life with more time, more freedom, and a community that feels like home.

Visit our [Home Page](#) to dive in and see if Elliot Lake is your next chapter.



Let's Get in Touch

Curious about relocating to Elliot Lake, starting a business, or exploring life in a tight-knit community?

We're here to help with information about housing, services, events, and opportunities.

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