

SITE PROFILE - GANDER



James Paton Memorial Regional Health Centre

125 Trans Canada Highway
Gander, NL
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Telephone: 709-256-2500

This site is one of two acute care referral centres in the central region. It provides a wide variety of emergency, acute care and specialized medical services.

Location

The Town of Gander is located in central Newfoundland and is a major service centre for the area. The community is situated on the Trans Canada Highway with access to deep water ports in just 30 minutes.

History

In June of 1936, workers spilled off the train at Milepost 213 on the Newfoundland Railway. Still incredulous at the task they had been assigned, they set about clearing land for what would become the world's largest airport, boasting one square mile of tarmac. On January 11, 1938, Captain Douglas Fraser flew a single-engine biplane, Fox Moth VO-ADE, to the first landing at the completed 'Newfoundland Airport', now known around the world as Gander International. With the threat of war in Europe, Gander became a strategic post for the Royal Air Force Ferry Command. Too new to appear on maps, the air base remained shrouded in secrecy as some 20,000 North American-built fighters and heavy bombers were transported overseas.

Unique Characteristics

The main economic industries are in the areas of transportation, communications, public administration and defense. In addition a large portion of the economy in Gander is driven by the service industry, as it is central to a service area consisting of some 84,000 people within a 100 km radius which includes 149 communities.

Therefore, Gander offers all the services associated with a much larger urban center (<http://www.practicenl.ca>).

Population: Approximately 10,000.

Distance to larger centres: St. John's 335 kms
Grand Falls-Windsor 97 kms

Student accommodations: A six-bedroom house, 1-one bedroom apartment, 10 two-bedroom apartments, and 1 three-bedroom apartment. Also provided are cable TV, internet, and linens. Meals can be provided through the hospital cafeteria at cost.

Contact person: Debbie Trainor
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Transportation: Bus – DRL Coachlines. Check schedule at www.drl-lr.com or by calling 1-709-263-2171 or 1-888-263-1854.

Driving – from St. John's it will take you approximately 3.5 hrs.

Flying – Gander International Airport -
<http://www.flygander.ca/index.php>

Contacts in the region: Dr. Carmel Casey, Physician Lead
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Services:

Banks

- Bank of Montreal, 265 Airport Boulevard, 651-3940
- CIBC, 230 Airport Boulevard, 651-3940
- Newfoundland and Labrador Credit Union, 6 Roe Avenue, 256-3537
- Royal Bank of Canada, 78 Elizabeth Drive, 256-1600
- Scotiabank, 49 Roe Avenue, 256-1500
- TD Canada Trust, 91 Elizabeth Drive, 651-3620

Churches

- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 175 Roe Avenue, 256-3433
- Crossroads Congregational Christian Church, 29A memorial Drive, 256-7880
- Evangel Pentecostal Church, 56 Elizabeth Drive, 256-4762
- Fraser Road United Church, 1 Brochen Street, 256-3000
- Gander Baptist Church, MacKay Street, 256-8872
- Gander Gospel Hall, 125 Magee Road, 256-8117
- Gander International Church, 121 Airport Boulevard, 256-2599
- Kingdom Hall Jehovah's Witness, 110 Magee Road, 256-8642
- Salvation Army Citadel, 165 Airport Boulevard, 256-8474
- St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, 110 bishop Street, 256-2730
- St. Martin's Anglican Cathedral, 2 Lindbergh Road, 256-3838

Grocery Stores

- Co-op, Carr Crescent, 651-3750
- Dominion, 100 Laurell Road, 651-3437
- Price Chopper, Fraser Mall, 256-4860

Lounges

- Corner Pocket Sports Bar & Billiards Room, 261 Airport Boulevard, 651-8000
- Flyers Club, 245 Airport Boulevard, 256-8526
- Fraser's Pub, Fraser Mall, 230 Airport Boulevard, 256-8526
- Friend's Lounge, 10A McCurdy Drive, 256-7002
- Legend's Lounge & Grill, Irving West Hotel, 2 Caldwell Street, 256-2044
- Reflections Bar & Eatery, 249 Airport Boulevard, 256-4231
- The Oasis Lounge, 294-296 Airport Boulevard, 651-3100
- Tom Cats Bar & Grill, Hotel Gander, 100 Trans Canada Highway, 256-3931

Pharmacies

- Dominion Pharmacy, 100 Laurell Road, 651-4330
- Lawton's Drugs, 177 Elizabeth Avenue, 256-7550
- Shopper's Drug Mart, 143 Bennett Drive, 651-3423

Restaurants

- A&W, 118 Trans Canada Highway, 256-2170
- Albatross Hotel, 114 Trans Canada Highway, 256-3956
- Alcock & Brown's Eatery, Hotel Gander, 100 Trans Canada Highway, 256-3931
- Bistro on Roe, 110 Roe Avenue, 256-4763
- Country Kitchen Restaurant, Gander Mall, 132 Bennett Drive, 651-3200
- Ches's Fish & Chips, Fraser Mall, 230 Airport Boulevard, 651-2437
- East Ocean Restaurant, 67 Elizabeth Drive, 256-7429
- Father's Place, 3 McCurdy Drive, 256-2312
- Giovanni's Café, 200 Airport Boulevard, 651-3535
- Goose Restaurant, 300 Trans Canada Highway, 256-7886
- Greco Pizza & Donair, 83 Elizabeth Drive, 651-3030
- Highlight Restaurant, 77 Elizabeth Avenue, 256-3347

- Jungle Jim's Eatery, 112A Trans Canada Highway, 651-3444
- Kentucky Fried chicken, 285 Airport Boulevard, 256-4904
- Legends Lounge and Grill, Irving West Hotel, 2 Caldwell Street, 256-2044
- Lilly's Landing Family Restaurant, 210 Airport Boulevard, 256-3500
- Louis-Gees Pizza & Donair, 94 Elizabeth Avenue, 256-8500
- Mary Brown's, Trans Canada Highway, 651-2020
- McDonald's Restaurant, 320 Airport Boulevard, 651-2200
- McDonald's Restaurant, 55 Roe Avenue, 651-2205
- Mitch's Place, 57 McCurdy Drive, 651-4440
- Nan's Pantry Inc., Gander Mall, 132 Bennett Drive, 256-7946
- Pizza Delight, Gander Mall, 132 Bennett Drive, 651-4440
- Pizza Twice, 18 Rowsell Boulevard, 256-8763
- Reflections Bar & Eatery, 249 Airport Boulevard, 256-4231
- Robin's Donuts, Gander Mall, 132 Bennett Drive, 651-0555
- Subway, 318 Airport Boulevard, 651-2400
- Subway, 116 Trans Canada Highway, 651-2400
- Tai Sun Restaurant, 298 Airport Boulevard, 651-2400
- Tim Horton's, 275 Airport Boulevard, 256-7569
- Tim Horton's, 104 Trans Canada Highway, 256-7777
- Tomcats Bar & Grill, Hotel Gander, 100 Trans Canada Highway, 256-3931
- Wings & Things, 289 Elizabeth Drive, 256-9464

Museums and Attractions

- Cobb's Pond Rotary Park Trail - 3km & 4 km trails
- North Atlantic Aviation Museum
135 Trans Canada Highway
Phone: 256-2923
Open May to August
<http://www.northatlanticaviationmuseum.com>
- Thomas Howe Demonstration Forest & the Frank R. Hayward Trail
Turn off the Trans Canada Highway at the Interpretation Centre.
See map:
http://gandercanada.com/images/stories/pdfs/Thomas_Howe_Trail_Map.pdf

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