



CITIZENS AGAINST MELROSE QUARRY

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CAMQ launches social network fundraising campaign.

Resident group hopes to raise \$100,000 in their fight to stop new quarry.

TYENDINAGA TOWNSHIP, ON – October 17, 2019 – Today, a non-profit group of Tyendinaga Township residents launched a [GoFundMe](#) social network fundraiser in the hope of raising funds to help cover their legal fees and the cost of expert reports like a water study, a dust study, and a traffic report. Citizens Against Melrose Quarry has long been working for the protection of our agriculture, the preservation of our environment, and the safeguarding of our quality of life.

Residents have long expressed their concerns over the proposed Melrose Quarry in Tyendinaga Township. The environment and their way of life are now under threat, as the current Long's Quarry wants to double the footprint of extraction, despite numerous concerns and opposition from local residents. Over the past years, the tonnage removed has increased, mining moved below the water table and the current quarry is now estimated to only have 10 years of aggregate remaining. The township has recently rezoned nearby agricultural land for an additional new 63 acre quarry. The group does not feel this is a responsible or appropriate location for another quarry, especially with so many residents living in close proximity to the blasting zone. Given the location is next to the hamlets of Melrose and Blessington, this will significantly change the community landscape.

“It is important we keep working to save our community. As we are nearing the end, it is our responsibility to ensure adequate conditions are in place on the Melrose Quarry. If given the go ahead, this quarry will affect families for generations to come”, said Rodney Bannister, CAMQ Vice-Chair.

A new [video](#) for the campaign has also been unveiled. The group brings people together from all walks of life to build and strengthen connections within the community.

Visit the website for donation information and more information about CAMQ at
www.citizensagainstmelrosequarry.com
www.gofundme.com/f/citizens-against-melrose-quarry

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About CAMQ: Citizens Against Melrose Quarry is a non-profit group of Tyendinaga Township residents who are concerned about a proposal to develop a new quarry beside the existing Long's Quarry at the corner of Melrose and Shannonville Roads, Township of Tyendinaga, Hastings County. The group formed in 2013 over concerns that the dewatering needed for the proposed Melrose Quarry would extend the impacts of current quarrying activities on the area's groundwater supply. Area residents and farms rely on this groundwater supply as there is no access to municipal water supplies.

For further information: www.citizensagainstmelrosequarry.com

About GoFundMe: There's a part of every one of us that dreams of a better world. That spark of inspiration to help a person, fix a neighborhood, or even change a nation. At GoFundMe, we believe your inspiration should be shared with everyone. Because that is how change happens.

That's why we make it easy to inspire the world and turn compassion into action. By giving people the tools they need to capture and share their story far and wide, we have built a community of more than 50 million donors and helped organizers raise over \$5 billion and we are just getting started.

For further information: www.gofundme.com

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