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**Board of Health: Protect Public Health!**

# Why are public health nurses on strike?

Fifty public health nurses who provide care to 200,000 residents in Hastings and Prince Edward Counties are on strike fighting for a fair contract that recognizes their value, including better wages to keep up with the cost of living. These nurses have been without a contract since the end of last year, and the Board of Health has refused to end the strike by negotiating a fair offer or agreeing to binding arbitration.

The employer left nurses with no choice but to take job action, resulting in the disruption of vital public health services for the community.

Residents should be very concerned that Hastings & Prince Edward Public Health is refusing to value front-line care by paying nurses fairly. Public health nurses need better wages so they can continue providing high-quality care for their community now and into the future.

# How can you help?

Tell the Hastings & Prince Edward Board of Health and elected officials that you call on them to reach a fair agreement with better wages for public health nurses today.



**Ontario Nurses' Association** [www.ona.org/HPE](http://www.ona.org/HPE)

# Call the Board of Health and tell them to end the strike by giving nurses better wages!

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