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**TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER  
BREASTFEEDING FRIENDLY POLICY**

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The Town of Bridgewater supports breastfeeding mothers and the right to breastfeed undisturbed in public places.

**Purpose**

To support visiting breastfeeding mothers to breastfeed within municipal facilities and to provide the conditions (time, space and support) necessary to facilitate breastfeeding.

**Definitions**

*Breastfeeding-* includes pumping or expressing milk, as well as nursing directly from the breast

*Public-* any visitor to a municipal facility

*Municipal facilities-* refers to buildings owned by the Town of Bridgewater

**Application**

The Town of Bridgewater promotes and supports breastfeeding and the expression of breast milk by members of the public when they are visitors to municipal facilities.

Upon request, staff of the Town shall provide assistance to visitors who wish to breastfeed their baby by providing a location comfortable to both baby and mother, where space is available.

Pursuant to the Human Rights Act, staff will not ask a mother to leave the premises, cover up or suggest using a restroom to breastfeed.