

Title: What Government Means to Me

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Good governance means a lot to me. If we didn't have a good government Newfoundland and Labrador would be a terrible place to live. Our government is the group who makes sure that we are protected and treated fairly. They are responsible for making laws and rules. They make sure that our schools are run properly. They pay for our text books. They give us good teachers. They make sure everything in our schools is up to standard and it is a safe and clean place for us to get our education.

They are responsible for our policemen who do everything they can to try and make our town a better and safer place for us so we can go outside and play without having to worry about someone hurting us. They also put public libraries and museums in some communities. We can go to the library and get books that we don't have and would love to read. We can go to the museums and find out all sorts of things about our heritage. They are also responsible for our roads. I know sometimes they are really bumpy and if our government didn't pay to fix them they would be in really hard shape. They are also responsible for our hospitals. They try to do everything they can to keep our hospital equipment up to standard. I am really proud that they are putting a dialysis unit in Port-aux-Basques because maybe when they get it all ready then my Uncle Wilfred will be able to come home. He is living in Vancouver and if he came home he would have to drive to Corner Brook at least three days a week to get dialysis. They are also responsible for our water, fire brigade, post office and all the other services our town provides us with. Right now we are really proud to see our government helping all the people who were affected by hurricane Igor. It was really exciting to see them bring in soldiers to help our people.

I know that our government is trying their best to help us. If they could I would love for them to create more jobs so our people wouldn't have to go away to work. I wish they could keep all our schools open so we wouldn't have to travel to other place to get our education. I wish they could have more hospitals in smaller communities so people wouldn't have to travel so far to see the doctor. I don't think as many people would die if they could get to the hospital quicker. I guess we should be thankful for all the things the government is doing for us because when I read the newspaper and watch the news and see how some people have it in other parts of the world. We have a lot to thank our government for.