'Push for Change' trek in Espanola on Thursday

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Joe Roberts makes his way over the Bridge of Nations with community leaders and supporters in Sudbury, Ont. on Sunday January 15, 2017. Joe Roberts is pushing a shopping cart across Canada to raise awareness and funds for youth homelessness. Gino Donato/Sudbury Star/Postmedia Network

Espanola students from École secondaire catholique Franco-Ouest, École Saint-Joseph and Sacred Heart School will offer a warm welcome to Joe Roberts, a former homeless youth and current entrepreneur, On Thursday, January 19.

Roberts will be pushing a shopping cart (a symbol of chronic homelessness) through the streets of Espanola.

This stop is just one of many of Roberts 9,000 kilometre, 517-day Push for Change trek across Canada initiative for raising awareness and funds to help end youth homelessness.

Roberts will speak to students from École secondaire catholique Franco-Ouest and grade 7 and 8 students from École Saint-Joseph and Sacred Heart School. Also taking part will be local residents. In his presentation to students, Roberts will speak on the prevention of youth homelessness.

For more information on the Push for Change event in Espanola, call Daniel Dalcourt, ESC Franco-Ouest principal at 705-862-7437.

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