On February 29, 2012 a high voltage cable on the St. John’s Campus of Memorial University failed. The event lasted until March 5, 2012. During this period power was restored twice, however, continued to fail, culminating in a partial EOC activation and setting up a shelter to accommodate residence students on March 2, 2012.

14 University Entities Involved

- The Works
- Health and Safety
- Human Resources
- Facilities Management
- Enterprise Risk Management
- Marketing and Communications
- Campus Enforcement and Patrol
- Computing and Communications
- Office of Emergency Management
- Financial and Administrative Services
- Housing, Food and Conference Services
- Office of Vice-President (Academic) - SAAS
- School of Human Kinetics and Recreation
- Office of Vice-President (Administration and Finance)

Estimated cost of the incident: $260,000

- # of Buildings Affected: 17
- # of Residents Registered at the Shelter: 91
- # of MUN Staff and Volunteer Responders: 151
- # of Students without Accommodations: 580
- # of Residents Affected: 1394

- # of buildings used to house misplaced students: 2
- # of generators shipped to campus: 4
- # of news releases issued by Marketing and Communications: 7
- Age in years of failed high voltage cable that caused the power outage: 40

Canadian Red Cross:

- 600 Blankets
- 430 Volunteer Hours
- 300 Cots
- 47 Volunteers
- 4 Family Reunion Kits
- 2 Shelter Kits