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MUGUST 2023 - ANIM WESTERN DIRECTOR'S UPDATE



AMM Western Director's Update

Councillor Rhonda Coupland Councillor Scott Phillips

As your AMM Board Directors, we are pleased to provide an update on the issues we discussed at the last Board meeting that was held on August 25, 2023.

While the AMM Board maintains the policy of confidentiality regarding ongoing discussions with the provincial government and stakeholders, we are pleased to share some of the topics with you.

If you should have any questions about any of the following items, please contact Nick Krawetz, AMM Director of Policy and Communications.



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All Municipal Funding Baskets are Increasing: A Year of Advocacy Successes

On August 1st, the Hon. Andrew Smith, Minister of Municipal Relations, announced that the Manitoba government is investing **\$84 million** to deliver funding to support infrastructure projects in municipalities outside of Winnipeg.

This announcement represents a noteworthy continuation of the positive provincial-municipal commitments we have seen over the past year. We wish to commend the Manitoba government for partnering with municipalities to support local communities and fostering economic growth across Manitoba. We appreciate the Province of Manitoba listening to concerns raised by our organization and municipalities about the importance of investing in critical infrastructure, public safety, and municipal priorities overall to help advance economic growth and build stronger communities.

This year, we are pleased to share our policy achievements for the 2022-23 period in advance of releasing our annual Cabinet Brief at the Fall Convention in November. It's worth highlighting that this year marks a record number of policy successes in the history of AMM – with 21 municipal policy commitments! We are proud to report that our collective advocacy efforts have led to positive outcomes that benefit all AMM members.

To view our lobbying successes and priorities, please CLICK HERE.

UPCOMING - AMM-FCM-NAMS Canada Asset Management Workshops

Please be advised that the AMM has partnered with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and NAMS Canada to present three separate in-person asset management workshops. The AMM has created a webpage, where you can find registration information. Please register as soon as possible since spots are limited!

Workshop # 1- Asset Management

Date: Monday, October 16 Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: Best Western Plus, City of Dauphin

Registration Details HERE

Workshop # 2 - Asset Management

Date: Wednesday, October 18 Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: Keystone Centre, City of Brandon

Registration Details HERE

Workshop #3 - Asset Management

Date: Friday, October 20 Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: Victoria Inn Hotel & Convention Centre, City of Winnipeg

Registration Details HERE

Bill 46: The Highway Traffic Amendment Act

Please be advised that the recent <u>Highway Traffic Act amendments</u> which now identify new offences for driving on a closed road came into force on July 1, 2023.

To ensure municipalities are properly informed about these legislative amendments, the AMM proactively reached out to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure. As a result of our advocacy efforts, we are pleased to provide you with the enclosed FAQ document. We wish to thank the Department for working collaboratively with our organization to develop this helpful resource in response to municipal concerns.

CRTC Submission

Over the summer months, the Government of Canada launched a notice of consultation to look ahead to the future need for funding to improve broadband Internet services and mobile wireless services in Canada.

On July 12, the AMM submitted comments regarding the Broadband Fund Policy Review. While we support the Broadband Fund and its continuation, we recognize that many municipalities have, in large, not been able to leverage federal funds to a significant degree due to various reasons, primarily attributed to financial pressures, local capacity and resource issues and complex program requirements.

The AMM will continue to advocate on behalf of its members to ensure communities of all sizes have equal access to broadband connectivity. To read our formal position, please click HERE.

Let's Grow Manitoba Campaign - Update

Under AMM's <u>Let's Grow Manitoba Together</u> campaign, Manitoba's elected municipal officials and administrators have been pressing all provincial parties for funding fairness, investments in core infrastructure, better harnessing of skilled workers particularly in health care, and for action to address rising crime rates.

The AMM has recently unveiled a series of YouTube videos featuring various municipal elected officials. To view these videos, please click on the <u>link HERE</u>. As we draw closer to the October 3rd provincial election, we encourage you to help us maintain the focus on municipal priorities by sharing our messages and videos through your social media platforms.

STAY CONNECTED

AMM and MMA members are encouraged to contact AMM staff if they have questions or concerns regarding any municipal policy issue. Please contact Nick Krawetz, AMM Director of Policy and Communications, at 204-856-2371 or nkrawetz@amm.mb.ca.



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To accommodate as many attendees as possible, **up to two (2)** municipal officials (elected or appointed) from a municipality are invited to register for one of the workshops.

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 Venue: Best Western Plus Dauphin
 Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the workshop in Dauphin

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Venue: Pioneer Lounge - Keystone Centre, **Brandon** Click *HERE* to register for the workshop in Brandon

• October 20, 2023 - 10:00 am

Venue: Carlton Room - Victoria Inn & Convention Centre **Winnipeg** Click <u>HERE</u> to register for the workshop in Winnipeg

This workshop will be delivered in English only.

This training has been developed by NAMS Canada in partnership with the Association of Manitoba Municipalities.

This initiative is offered through the Municipal Asset Management Program, which is delivered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and funded by the Government of Canada.

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The Spring 2024 Conservation and GROW Trust Letter of Interest Intake is now open on the <u>Online Grant Portal</u>. Please log on to access the Letter of Interest form which will be visible on your dashboard once you successfully complete the Eligibility Quiz.

The <u>Guidelines Spring 2024</u> contains an updated "What's New" section and can be found in the For Applicants section of the Resources page in The Trusts area on the <u>Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation Website</u>.

Letters of Interest must be submitted online. However, for those wishing to work offline prior to submission, downloadable Word versions of the Letter of Interest form are available in the same section on the *Manitoba Habitat Heritage Corporation Website*.

If you have any questions, contact your designated Grants Associate or <u>Granting@mhhc.mb.ca</u>

Deloitte Free Webinars for Government Finance Officers

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Deloitte is hosting three free webinars for local government leaders this September in collaboration with Government Finance Officers Association of Alberta.

Proof of attendance will be provided to attendees who require verifiable learning hours for each session.

Ethics in the Public Sector Part 1 September 19, 2023 | 11:00am -1:00pm CDT

This session will cover the importance of ethics for government finance officers

Ethics in the Public Sector Part 2 September 20, 2023 | 11:00am -1:00pm CDT

This session will cover the importance of building an organizational culture driven by ethical values.

Who should attend? Government finance officers who are required to obtain verifiable learning hours focused on ethics; managers and team leaders in the public sector.

For more information and to register, click HERE

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Each webinar will feature a presentation by an expert on the topic followed by a Question & Answer period.

Canoe 101 - September 28, 1:00 - 2:00 EST

Using the Canoe Procurement Group to make your purchases is quick and easy, but it's different than you may be used to. Join us for a 'back to basics' look at how Canoe works and how it can save you time and money.

Register Here

Gordian: Job Order Contracting – October 11, 1:00 – 2:00 EST

Job Order Contracting (JOC) is a procurement process that is relatively new in Canada and is most suitable for repairs, renewal, alteration projects, and emergency work. Instead of conducting multiple procurement processes, JOC allows for a variety of projects to be completed through a single contract that is competitively awarded. Canoe supplier Gordian

will discuss how this process can help to make your renovation and construction projects run smoothly.

Register Here

Cybersecurity Audit Service

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Cybersecurity is increasingly important, and the cost/impact of a cybersecurity incident continues to rise. A cybersecurity assessment allows organizations to identify areas where they are weakest, and provides a clear roadmap to addressing the risks and gaps that could be exploited and cause a significant issue.

AMM has negotiated an agreement with <u>Bloom Software Co.</u> to offer cybersecurity audits to AMM municipal members.

Bloom's assessment model addresses the key areas that are of greatest concern, discusses and defines them in plain language, and provides organizations the ability to make informed decisions about their own priorities to set an implementation plan.

- Click here to learn how your municipality can benefit.
- Click here to view the Cybersecurity Audit Service webinar presentation for AMM members.

Visit AMM Cyber Security Audit webpage for more info.

Insurance Program

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TogetherAll - a mental health platform for all AMM members.

Western Financial Group in partnership with the AMM are proud to provide access through to the TogetherAll platform – a powerful mental health support resource for all members. premium free.

TogetherAll is an online mental health platform and provides access to community and professional support 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The service is proven to help those who are struggling with stress, isolation, anxiety, and other common mental health issues.

Click the link below to learn more about this valuable resource and to register yourself and your employees: www.togetherall.com

For further information, contact: Christian Jordan Lontajo CEBS, GBA, RPA Program Manager, Employee Benefits Western Financial Group Cell: (204) 583-0193

Jordan.Lontajo@westernfg.ca

Human Resource Program



Upcoming Workshops & Events

Course Catalogue

The launch of these workshops comes at a great time, as the Canada-Manitoba Job Grant program started accepting applications for 2023-24 on August 21st.

The Canada-Manitoba Job Grant supports employers with funding the cost of training for new and existing employees. Eligible organizations may have up to 75% of costs covered (up to \$10,000 per individual participant) on training provided by approved third-party trainers.

All of workshops offered through People First are eligible trainings that can be covered by the funding support of the Canada-Manitoba Job Grant program. More information on the program and eligibility can be found here: <u>Canada-Manitoba Job Grant</u>

If you have any questions or would like to explore <u>custom learning and development</u> <u>opportunities</u> for your organization, please feel free to connect with <u>Linda Chammartin</u> <u>lchammartin@peoplefirsthr.com</u> for a conversation.

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The AMM is gearing up for the provincial election. Our Summer issue recaps our Provincial Leaders' Forum along with the official launch of our <u>Let's Grow Manitoba</u> <u>Together</u> campaign!

The issue also includes a Special Report on Asset Management as well as submissions from the Manitoba Métis Federation (MMF), Manitoba Municipal Relations, and Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure.

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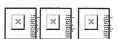
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Mayors, Reeves, Chiefs, and Councils:

Re: The 25rd Annual Convention of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) November 28 to 30th, 2023 - Keystone Centre, Brandon, Manitoba

Each year the RCMP looks forward to meeting with our municipal stakeholders during the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Convention. The AMM convention provides an excellent opportunity for us to discuss policing issues with individual municipalities. This helps us to ensure we are providing the best possible police service to Manitoba communities.

If you would like to meet with us during the convention to discuss policing issues in your area, we will be available Tuesday, November 28 for the Manitoba East District (Selkirk), Wednesday, November 29 for the Manitoba West District (Dauphin), and Thursday, November 30, for the Manitoba North District (Thompson). Please reply on or before October 20th via email to renalda.hird@rcmp-grc.gc.ca. The meetings will be held in the Amphitheatre on the upper level of the Keystone Centre.

In order to make the best possible use of our time together, please submit a brief outline of the issues you would like to discuss in advance to Renalda Hird at the e-mail address referenced above.

Yours truly,

Bruce Prange, Superintendant Officer in Charge Operations Strategy Branch "D" Division

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Member Advisory - AMM By-Law Change



MEMBER ADVISORY

AMM By-Law Change

September 18, 2023 - Please be advised that the AMM Board of Directors reviewed the by-law regarding the acceptance of nomination positions for the Executive (President and two Vice-President positions), and agreed to propose the following changes.

Currently, as worded, Article 5 of By-Law 1998, Section 2, states that nominations for the positions of President and Vice-President shall be made by notice in writing by a Regular Member to the Executive Director no later than 21 days prior to the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. The nomination is ineffective unless accepted by the nominee by notice in writing to the Executive Director prior to the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. Nominees can only accept nominations for one position, that is, for the position of President or Vice-President position, not both.

The AMM Board of Directors agreed to the following changes:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT nominations for the positions of President and Vice-President shall be made by notice in writing by a Regular Member to the Executive Director no later than 21 days <u>before</u> the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. The nomination is ineffective unless accepted by the nominee by notice in writing to the Executive Director no later <u>than 14 days</u> before the opening day of the AMM Fall Convention. Nominees can only accept nomination for one position, that is, for the position of President or for Vice-President position, not both.

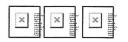
Please note that these changes will enable all candidates to determine the level of resources they wish to allocate to their campaigns. Should you have any questions regarding this by-law change, please do not hesitate to reach out to myself via email at dvolkov@amm.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov

Executive Director

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AMM Member Advisory - MEDIA EVENT (September 20): Manitoba Municipalities Provide Status Update on Provincial Election Campaign & Municipal Priorities



MEMBER ADVISORY

Manitoba Municipalities Provide Status Update on Provincial Election Campaign & Municipal Priorities



September 19, 2023 – Please be advised that Association of Manitoba Municipalities President **Kam Blight** will join Brandon Mayor **Jeff Fawcett**, Winnipeg Mayor **Scott Gillingham**, and Portage la Prairie Mayor **Sharilyn Knox** in a news conference on Wednesday, September 20th to provide a status update on AMM's "Let's Grow Manitoba Together" advocacy campaign in advance of the 2023 provincial election. The group will provide an overview of all political parties' policy commitments to date on the policy priorities of Manitoba's 137 incorporated municipalities.

Time and Location:

- Wednesday, September 20th, 2023
- 10:00 A.M.
- Keystone Centre, Main Concourse immediately outside the Assembly Hall
- 1175 18th Street, Brandon

Please note that the event will be moderated by AMM Vice-President Kathy Valentino and the AMM will be livestreaming the event on our Facebook page.

Please tune into our Facebook livestream tomorrow morning HERE: https://www.facebook.com/AMMMB

Sincerely,

Denys VolkovExecutive Director

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Member Events: Asset Management Workshops



Asset Management: Getting Started and Moving Forward

September 20, 2023 - The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) is committed to helping Manitoba municipalities gain a better understanding of asset management and realize the benefits of this practice.

AMM, in partnership with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) is offering three (3) training workshops, specific to Manitoba, through the Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP).

These in person workshops are designed for municipal staff and elected officials in Manitoba. Participants will:

- Gain understanding of the Fundamentals of Asset Management and the importance asset management plays for sustainable service delivery and stewardship;
- Engage in an interactive discussion that utilizes asset management information for an informed decision-making exercise;
- Have the tools to plan out what your organizations next steps are for advancing asset management maturity;
- Become familiar with the most recent AM resources and connect with other Manitoban municipalities to learn what has been working for them;
- Make a commitment to putting Asset Management Processes in place for their organization by completing an Asset Management Policy or Terms of Reference for a Steering Committee template.

Together we will continue to build our capacity to manage the critical infrastructure on which our communities depend.

October 16 - DAUPHIN

October 18 - BRANDON

October 20 - WINNIPEG

Best Western Plus 50 Eric Irwin Way

Keystone Centre 1175, 18th Street Victoria Inn 1808 Wellington Avenue Register Here for October 16

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WORSHOP TIME: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

REGISTRATION FEE: \$75.00 plus GST per delegate includes refreshments and lunch. AMM will invoice your municipality for registered delegate following the event.

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To be added to a wait list for any one of the workshops, please email events@amm.mb.ca

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For more information and resources visit:

<u>fcm.ca/assetmanagementprogram</u> <u>amm.mb.ca/issues/infrastructure-and-asset-management/</u>



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AMM News Release - Manitoba Municipalities Provide Status Update on Provincial

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NEWS RELEASE

Manitoba Municipalities Provide Status Update on Provincial Election Priorities

September 20, 2023 – The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) today provided an update on how Manitoba's provincial parties are faring in response to the policy priorities outlined by Manitoba's municipalities for the 2023 provincial election.

Speaking in Brandon, AMM President **Kam Blight** was joined by Brandon Mayor **Jeff Fawcett**, Winnipeg Mayor **Scott Gillingham**, and Portage la Prairie Mayor **Sharilyn Knox** to give a status update on the Manitoba Municipalities' **Let's Grow Manitoba Together** campaign, which articulated four key policy priority areas for the election advocacy campaign in advance of the 2023 provincial election: predictable municipal funding, infrastructure investment, talent attraction, and tackling rising crime.

Key Assessments:

 All provincial parties have made commitments that municipal transfers will increase from year-to-year. There have been different levels of articulation and detail thus far, but all parties are on record with the commitment. This is a win for Manitoba's municipalities.

- With some exceptions, Manitoba's municipalities are displeased with the degree of attention to core infrastructure funding during the provincial election campaign. Core physical infrastructure funding and maintenance from water and wastewater to expanding broadband is a key priority for Manitoba's municipalities, and the AMM expects to see more discussion on how the political parties will address our province's infrastructure needs.
- All political parties have recognized the acute shortage of health care practitioners, and the need to attract, retain and train-inplace paramedics, physicians, and nurses throughout Manitoba. The AMM is pleased to see this emerge as a focal point in the provincial election. The AMM has also seen significant discussion across parties on expediting recognition of internationally trained and certified tradespeople and professionals. This is another win for Manitobans.
- All three major political parties have recognized the importance of addressing rising crime rates, and discussions have focused on allocating additional funds to law enforcement. Different parties have offered different detailed commitments on how they would address crime, and all have merit; the essential point is that this has emerged as a consensus provincial priority.

Quotes:

- "Municipalities are an essential partner to the provincial government. We identified four priorities for the campaign. We feel we've been heard, but there are still some ways to go." AMM President Kam Blight
- "All provincial parties have made commitments to increase municipal transfers from year-to-year. That's a win for Manitoba municipalities, but we need to work closely with the next provincial government to build a new funding model that's based on growth." – Mayor Scott Gillingham, City of Winnipeg
- "There have been some infrastructure commitments in this campaign, but we need to see more. Building and maintaining core infrastructure – from water and wastewater to broadband – is a priority for all municipalities and this hasn't received enough

attention in this campaign." - Mayor Jeff Fawcett, City of Brandon

- "All parties have heard municipalities appeals for more paramedics, doctors, and nurses and for training opportunities in all regions of this province. This is a win. We are also encouraged to see significant discussion on expediting international trades and professional credentials." Mayor Jeff Fawcett, City of Brandon
- "We appreciate the acknowledgement by all three parties regarding the surge in crime rates and their commitments to allocate increased funding and resources to support local law enforcement. Our municipalities are demanding action on rising crime rates and we're glad that all three parties have heard this appeal." – Mayor Sharilyn Knox, City of Portage la Prairie

Manitoba Municipalities' Four Priorities for 2023:

Fair and Predictable Municipal Funding

- Work with municipalities to establish a simplified, predictable funding model with an annual escalator;
- Rebate the PST paid by municipalities, similarly to the federal GST rebate;
- Streamline existing tax tools and grant greater flexibility and financial autonomy to municipal governments.

Invest in Core Infrastructure

- Increase Manitoba Water Services Board funding for water and wastewater infrastructure, and commit to a permanent federal and provincial infrastructure fund;
- Amend Bill 37 to enshrine the primacy of elected municipal councils over the unelected Municipal Board;
- Improve coordination between economic development offices and agencies for efficiencies, synergies and responsiveness to municipal economic development needs;
- Comprehensive rural broadband and cell service as essential infrastructure for economic growth, public safety, education, and health care.

Invest in People

- Accelerate a comprehensive provincial strategy to recruit health care professionals and paramedics throughout Manitoba;
- Implement recommendations from the Immigration Advisory Committee to increase regional settlement incentives for foreign-trained doctors and other professionals;
- Training opportunities for licensed professionals closer to home;
- Care closer to home a plan to keep paramedics, doctors and other health professionals working in all our regions.

Public Safety

- Press the federal government for bail and conditional release reform;
- Refuse downloading of policing reform costs;
- Predictable police resourcing and flexibility to move certain enforcement and social service functions from police to separate provincially-funded authorities;
- Increase police funding to combat crime and drug trafficking;
- Expand municipal Community Safety and Well-Being plans.

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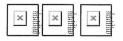
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2022-2023 AMM In Memoriam

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Good morning Members,

In keeping with tradition, the AMM will continue to honour mayors, reeves, councillors and senior administrators (past or present) who have passed away during the year since the 2022 Convention.

These members will be recognized by our organization during the IN MEMORIAM portion of the 2023 Convention.

Please click the following link, In Memoriam 2023, that will direct you to the online submission form.

To prepare accordingly, we are able to accept submissions to the AMM office by Thursday, November 16, 2023, no exceptions.

Respectfully, Donna Belbin Events Coordinator

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NAMS - AMM Asset Management: Getting Started and Moving Forward

This in person workshop is designed for municipal staff and elected officials in Manitoba

Participants will:

- Gain understanding of the Fundamentals of Asset Management and the importance asset management plays for sustainable service delivery and stewardship;
- Engage in an interactive discussion that utilizes asset management information for an informed decision-making exercise;
- Have the tools to plan out what your organizations next steps are for advancing asset management maturity;
- Become familiar with the most recent AM resources and connect with other Manitoban municipalities to learn what has been working for them;
- Make a commitment to putting Asset Management Processes in place for their organization by completing an Asset Management Policy or Terms of Reference for a Steering Committee template.

Registration Fee: \$75.00 plus GST per delegate includes refreshments and lunch. AMM will invoice your municipality for registered delegate following the event.

Seating is limited to 40 municipal officials at each workshop.

To accommodate as many attendees as possible, **up to two (2)** municipal officials (elected or appointed) from a municipality are invited to register for one of the workshops.

- October 16, 2023 10:00 am

 Venue: Best Western Plus Dauphin

 Click HERE to register for the workshop in Dauphin
- October 18, 2023 10:00 am
 Venue: Pioneer Lounge Keystone Centre, Brandon
 Click HERE to register for the workshop in Brandon
- October 20, 2023 10:00 am SOLD OUT! Venue: Carlton Room Victoria Inn & Convention Centre Winnipeg All seats for this workshop have been filled.

Please email <u>events@amm.mb.ca</u> if you wish to be added to the wait list for this Workshop in Winnipeg.

This workshop will be delivered in English only.

This training has been developed by NAMS Canada in partnership with the Association of Manitoba Municipalities.

This initiative is offered through the Municipal Asset Management Program, which is delivered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and funded by the Government of Canada.

For more information and resources visit: <u>fcm.ca/assetmanagementprogram</u>, <u>amm.mb.ca/issues/infrastructure-and-asset-management/</u>

SURVEY REQUEST - Changes to the Pesticide & Fertilizer jug recycling program in Manitoba (2022 - 2024)

In January 2022 it was announced that the <23L pesticide & fertilizer container recycling program will transition from a municipal-based collection model to retail based collection model across the province of Manitoba over the next three years. Cleanfarms is requesting municipal feedback and asks that you complete a satisfaction survey based on your <u>ag chem jug phase out date</u> at your earliest convenience.

Click <u>HERE</u> to view Cleanfarms' survey for municipalities set to phase out collections **Jan 1 2023**.

Click *HERE* to view Cleanfarms' survey for municipalities set to phase out collections **Jan 1 2024**.

Click <u>HERE</u> to view Cleanfarms' survey for municipalities set to phase out collections **Jan 1 2025**.

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AMM EVENTS

2023 AMM Fall Convention

Honouring Yesterday, Treasuring Today, Shaping Tomorrow

Plan to attend the 2023 Annual Fall Convention, November 28 to 30 as we celebrate 25 years of Municipal Excellence

Visit the 2023 AMM Fall Convention webpage for details, developing agenda and to register.

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Canoe Procurement Group webinars are back!

Join our webinar to learn more about topics of interest to Ontario municipalities. In the past, these webinars have been of interest to many municipalities in other Provinces, so we are extending the invitation once again. New techniques and technologies can help your organization save time, save money, and improve your operations.

Each webinar will feature a presentation by an expert on the topic followed by a Question & Answer period.

Gordian: Job Order Contracting – October 11, 1:00 – 2:00 EST

Job Order Contracting (JOC) is a procurement process that is relatively new in Canada and is most suitable for repairs, renewal, alteration projects, and emergency work. Instead of conducting multiple procurement processes, JOC allows for a variety of projects to be

| | completed through a single contract that is competitively awarded. Canoe supplier Gordian will discuss how this process can help to make your renovation and construction projects run smoothly. Register Here |
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| | Cybersecurity is increasingly important, and the cost/impact of a cybersecurity incident continues to rise. A cybersecurity assessment allows organizations to identify areas where they are weakest, and provides a clear roadmap to addressing the risks and gaps that could be exploited and cause a significant issue. |
| | AMM has negotiated an agreement with <u>Bloom Software Co.</u> to offer cybersecurity audits to AMM municipal members. Bloom's assessment model addresses the key areas that are of greatest concern, discusses and defines them in plain language, and provides organizations the ability to make informed decisions about their own priorities to set an implementation plan. |
| | Click here to learn how your municipality can benefit. Click here to view the Cybersecurity Audit Service webinar presentation for AMM members. |
| neares. | Visit <u>AMM Cyber Security Audit webpage</u> for more info. |
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| | <u>TogetherAll</u> – a mental health platform for all AMM members. Western Financial Group in partnership with the AMM are proud to provide access through to the TogetherAll platform – a powerful mental health support resource for all members, premium free . |
| | <u>TogetherAll</u> is an online mental health platform and provides access to community and professional support 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The service is proven to help those who are struggling with stress, isolation, anxiety, and other common mental health issues. |

Click the link below to learn more about this valuable resource and to register yourself and your employees: www.togetherall.com

For further information, contact:

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Human Resource Program

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Upcoming Workshops & Events

Course Catalogue

The launch of these workshops comes at a great time, as the Canada-Manitoba Job Grant program started accepting applications for 2023-24 on August 21st.

The Canada-Manitoba Job Grant supports employers with funding the cost of training for new and existing employees. Eligible organizations may have up to 75% of costs covered (up to \$10,000 per individual participant) on training provided by approved third-party trainers.

All of workshops offered through People First are eligible trainings that can be covered by the funding support of the Canada-Manitoba Job Grant program. More information on the program and eligibility can be found here: *Canada-Manitoba Job Grant*

If you have any questions or would like to explore <u>custom learning and development</u> <u>opportunities</u> for your organization, please feel free to connect with **Linda Chammartin** <u>lchammartin@peoplefirsthr.com</u> for a conversation.

Get updates on upcoming workshops and the latest HR trends. Subscribe to HResource <u>SUBSCRIBE</u>

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The AMM is gearing up for the provincial election. Our Summer issue recaps our Provincial Leaders' Forum along with the official launch of our <u>Let's Grow Manitoba Together</u> campaign!

The issue also includes a Special Report on Asset Management as well as submissions from the Manitoba Métis Federation (MMF), Manitoba Municipal Relations, and Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure.

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Member Advisory - Indigenous Awareness Training



MEMBER ADVISORY

Indigenous Awareness Training

October 2, 2023 - In partnership with Indigenous Leadership Development Institute INC., I am pleased to share the attached Indigenous Awareness Training QR code. This training is designed specifically for non-Indigenous people who will be working and/or interacting with Indigenous people.

The training program consists of:

- Four modules
- Complete course in 3-4 hours
- Training is available online 24/7 at any location, anytime
- · Links and resources for in-depth study and understanding; and
- Receive certificate of completion

COST: \$39.95 + GST

For more information on the Indigenous Awareness Training, please **CLICK HERE.**

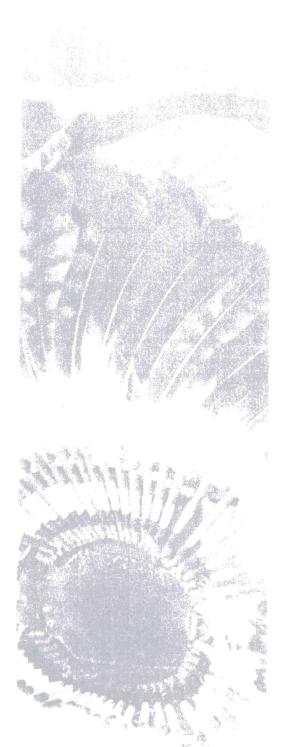
Sincerely,

Denys Volkov

Executive Director

Association of Manitoba Municipalities





E-Learning Facts

- 4 Modules take 30-45 mins each
- Complete course in 3-4 hours
- Training is available online 24/7 at any location, anytime

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 Links and resources for in-depth study and understanding

(Canadian Version)

Training

Receive certificate of completion

\$39.95 + GST



Spreading Awareness

- Provide a view of Canadian history from an Indigenous perspective;
- Know the different terminologies: Inuit, Metis, First Nation, Indigenous;
- Define assimilation and enfranchisement, describe the residential school system and the Indian Act;
- Recognize the importance of the Royal Commission of Aboriginal People (RCAP);
- Define self governance, explain the relationship between Indigenous people and The Crown and identify the issues addressed by the Indigenous Law in Canada;
- Define Indigenous rights, treaty rights, and the importance of land claims to Indigenous people;
- Recognize the significance of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the residential school apology, and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action;
- Identify the serious challenges and opportunities facing today's Indigenous people.

Designed specifically for non-Indigenous people who will be working and/ or interacting with Indigenous people

Vision

Indigenous professionals building leadership capacity for tomorrow... Today.

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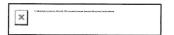
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2023 AMM Member Invitation to Fall Convention



2023 Fall Convention

Honouring Yesterday, Treasuring Today, Shaping Tomorrow

Celebrating 25 years of Municipal Excellence

October 3, 2023 - This November, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) will mark 25 years of working alongside Manitoba's municipalities to achieving strong and effective local government. All mayors, reeves, councillors, senior administrators, and municipal staff are invited to attend the 25th Annual AMM Fall Convention, taking place November 28 to 30, 2023 at the Keystone Centre in Brandon.

September 13 to November 8 - How to Register

Convention registration and gala ticket orders are available online now until November 8th at 8:00 am. Please have ONLY ONE member of your municipal administration enter all attending municipal officials on one register. Single registrations will not be accepted.

Delegate registration fee is \$400 plus GST each and includes entrance for that delegate to the Icebreaker Evening.

Passes to the Icebreaker, for the guest of a registered delegate, are available at \$50 plus GST each.

Tickets to the Gala Evening can be ordered at \$75 plus GST each.

NEW

November 27 - The Medical Transportation Coordination Centre (MTCC) Study Tour

The Medical Transportation Coordination Centre (MTCC), is Manitoba's dedicated command and control centre for the dispatch of Emergency Medical Services (EMS), in rural and Northern Manitoba. As a Public Safety Answering Point, part of the 911 emergency response system, MTCC is responsible for the dispatch of ground and air ambulances and serves over a jurisdiction of more than 650 000 square KM.

MTCC is offering AMM members a complimentary tour the MTCC facility during the afternoon of November 27, 2023. Four tours of up to eight persons will be accommodated at 1:00 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, and 4:00 pm, each lasting a total of 45 minutes. The tour will include a look at the physical space, and descriptions of the various tools that are used to:

Answer and process emergency calls,

- Answer and process interfacility transfer requests from rural hospitals and remote nursing stations,
- Dispatch EMS resources, including ambulances, medical first response, and air ambulance (both basic air ambulance and critical fixed wing and rotary wing),
- Communicate with all EMS resources throughout the province,
- The tour is of a live functioning dispatch centre. Actual emergency calls will be in progress, and strict confidentiality rules will be in place.

Email nkrawetz@amm.mb.ca by November 16, 2023 if you wish to sign up for any of the tour times.

November 28 to 30 - Convention Program

We encourage you to visit the <u>Convention webpage</u> on the <u>AMM website</u> regularly for the most current information on the three-day program and watch for email alerts from AMM Events and in the AMM News Bulletins regarding registration and agenda updates. Day 1 of Convention will begin at 9:00 am on November 28, and will close following the last scheduled agenda item on November 30.

November 28 - Trade Show

Dedicated time has been built into the agenda for delegates to visit the AMM Trade Show. This **ONE DAY show runs 8:00 am to 4:00 pm**, and is your onestop-shop for all things essential to municipalities. Be sure to schedule time to visit the exhibiting companies to learn about their products and services.



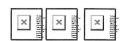
November 29 - The Gala Evening

This evening of tradition and honour will include remarks from special guests, presentation of the Honorary Life Membership. Delegates must have their ticket to gain entry. General seating. Dance to follow the formal program.

Plan to join us for this highly anticipated event as we celebrate this significant achievement of the AMM and its members.

If you have any questions regarding the 2023 AMM Fall Convention, please contact Donna Belbin, Events Coordinator, at dbelbin@amm.mb.ca or Linda Hargest, Director of Administration at lhargest@amm.mb.ca.

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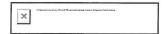
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Member Advisory: Upcoming Grade Crossings Regulations and Prompt Payment

Legislation Webinars



MEMBER ADVISORY

Upcoming Webinars: Grade Crossings and Prompt Payment Legislation

Mark your calendar!

October 6, 2023 – Please be advised that the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) has partnered with Transport Canada and MLT Aikins to deliver two upcoming webinars regarding Grade Crossings Regulations and Prompt Payment legislation.

We encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities to share your local feedback and insights during these sessions. Your valuable input can play a crucial role in fostering productive discussions and shaping the outcomes of these sessions. Please refer to the meeting details below for more information on these webinars.

Webinar #1 (Nov. 9 & Nov. 10) - Grade Crossings Regulations

Details:

- November 9, 2023 (English) & November 10, 2023 (French)
- Time: 12:30-2:00 PM (Central)
- Microsoft Teams Meeting

Description: Under the federal <u>Grade Crossings Regulations</u>, municipalities share responsibility for managing the safety at federally-regulated grade crossings. All federally-regulated grade crossings must meet the requirements of the Regulations by **November 28**, **2024**.

Transport Canada (TC) will be providing additional information sessions to share information regarding the requirements of the Rail Safety Grade Crossings Regulations (GCR) and the changes that were made in November 2021 to the GCR compliance deadline.

Please express your interest in joining one of the sessions by sending an email to Cassandra Boulay at cassandra.boulay@tc.gc.ca. Transport Canada will send the calendar invite once there is confirmation of interest.

In advance of the sessions, please find below helpful links including:

- Transport Canada's Grade Crossings map
- Transport Canada's webpage: <u>Grade Crossings Regulations: What You Need to Know</u>

How to Join:

Meeting details and links to join can be found **HERE**.

Webinar #2 - Dec. 6 - Prompt Payment Legislation

Details:

• Wednesday, December 6, 2023

• Time: 10:00-11:00 AM

ZOOM Meeting

Description: The previous Manitoba government passed amendments to the *Builders' Lien Act* to add prompt payment and dispute adjudication systems to the construction industry, similar to existing systems in Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta. While not yet in force, the new legislation contains a number of key changes aimed at ensuring the timely payment of contractors and subcontractors on construction projects. Municipalities will need to be aware of the upcoming changes on how the new legislation will impact how their construction projects are procured, contracted and managed, including project financing considerations. Join representatives from MLT Aikins as they outline this legislation and potential impacts on municipalities.

How to Join:

Topic: The Builders' Liens Amendment Act (Prompt Payment) Time: Dec 6, 2023 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84489864227?pwd=VFIwL1d3WDIWMEFPMFp6Z09qR2xoUT09

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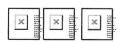
Have a webinar idea?

Contact AMM Director of Policy and Communications staff Nick Krawetz at nkrawetz@amm.mb.ca with your suggestions!

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AMM News Release - AMM congratulates Premier-Designate Wab Kinew, Pledges

Collaboration for a Thriving Manitoba



NEWS RELEASE



AMM congratulates Premier-Designate Wab Kinew, Pledges Collaboration for a Thriving Manitoba

October 10, 2023 – Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) President Kam Blight met today with Premier-Designate Wab Kinew to extend congratulations on behalf of the AMM and its member municipalities following the Manitoba NDP's electoral victory last week. The productive meeting underscored the significance of the provincial-municipal relationship and reaffirmed a shared commitment to foster the growth and prosperity of Manitoba.

President Blight took this opportunity to highlight the AMM's <u>Let's Grow</u> <u>Manitoba Together</u> campaign, which is centered around four critical pillars:

- 1. Funding Fairness and Predictability: Ensuring that municipalities receive fair and predictable funding is essential to maintaining and enhancing the quality of services provided to Manitobans. AMM looks forward to collaborating with Premier-Designate Kinew's government to achieve these goals.
- 2.Invest in Infrastructure: Investing in the infrastructure of our communities is vital to promote economic growth and improve the quality of life for all Manitobans. Both AMM and Premier-

- Designate Kinew expressed a strong commitment to work together on this front.
- 3. **Invest in People**: Supporting the people of Manitoba is paramount. By investing in education, healthcare, and other essential services, we can create a brighter future for our province. The AMM and the incoming provincial government share a common vision in this regard.
- 4. Public Safety: The safety and well-being of Manitobans are of utmost importance. The AMM will continue its dedication to working collaboratively with Premier-Designate Kinew and his administration to enhance public safety across our municipalities.

The AMM eagerly anticipates welcoming Premier-Designate Wab Kinew and the incoming provincial Cabinet and Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) to its upcoming Fall Convention in Brandon. The convention, scheduled for November 28-30, will provide an invaluable platform for further discussions and collaboration to address the priorities and needs of municipalities.

In closing, President Kam Blight stated, "Today's meeting was a positive step towards strengthening the partnership between our municipalities and the provincial government. We look forward to working together to grow Manitoba."

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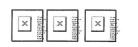
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RE: Attention: RM Council, Could this be added to October Agenda

Hi Adele,

Can you confirm that it is Lot 109, Cavers, that you are speaking about?

If that is the one, the last complaint that was received was in January 2021, and the RCMP were involved at that time. If this has started again (or never stopped), I will have animal control investigate as they are going to the Park today on another matter.

Joni Swidnicki, CMMA (Hons) Chief Administrative Officer Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa 106 Fourth Street, Box 278, Wawanesa, MB ROK 2GO

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October 9, 2023

Good Morning Council Members,

My name is Adele Bowles, and I live in Ward 2 North in Brandon Hills Estates.

According to the Animal Control By-law No. 05-2021 we are classified as a "settlement zone" and if we are why aren't these by-laws being adhered to.

For the record I do love animals.

At this time, the park has many different breeds of dogs. I walk quite often in the park and have noticed that many of them are quiet and some only bark a few times.

I have neighbors to the east of us with three dogs, multiple cats and a back door with a doggie door.

So they can go out or in whenever they want. When left alone, the dogs will bark constantly.

It started fours years ago, I talked with the Park manager and was told to email Joni Swidnicki at the Municipality Office.

I was told to document the situation and then email her with what was happening.

Well, I have documented and emailed Joni fairly consistently for the first two years in hopes that something would be done.

I also have been in contact with the Animal Control Officer. So far nothing has been done.

These dogs don't just bark for a bit and quit. I have documented them barking until 1 a.m.

I usually contact the park manager and also animal control by 11 p.m or earlier depending on how long

they have been barking.

According to the By-Law, part 3: Control of Dogs and Cats,

Limiting the Number of Dogs or Cats in a Settlement Zone

3(4) No person in a settlement zone shall own, harbor, keep or have in their possession or control on their premises, more than two cats and two cats over the age of four months.

Noise Control 3(7) An owner shall not permit their dog or cat to bark, howl, caterwaul or in any way unduly disturb the quiet of any person.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Adele Bowles

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CANECT Show Management

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November 14 – 15, 2023 Vaughan, ON and virtually Click here to register

Fall CANECT Essentials Course Agendas Now Available + Early-Bird Rates

We invite you to join us from November 14 – 15 for the 2023 **CANECT Fall Essentials Conference** in Vaughan, Ontario and virtually via Zoom.

This year's conference builds on the success of our Spring event and features the popular and engaging course "Environmental Regulation & Compliance Essentials" as well as a brand-new session titled "Operational Compliance: How to Navigate Environmental Obligations and Commitments".

Plus, enjoy early-bird pricing until October 14th to save 20% on regular rates!

Benefits of attending include:

- Learn about regulatory changes and compliance strategies
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Save the Date! Emergency Management Organization Workshop for Manitoba Municipalities

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Presented by Eco-West Canada

WHEN:

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE:

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Workshop Highlights and Objectives:

- To engage municipalities in discussions about climate adaptation/disaster mitigation activities, including opportunities for partnerships and funding
- Introduce Government of Manitoba climate adaptation/disaster mitigation groups

- Initiate a conversation on climate adaptation/disaster mitigation and shift municipal thinking from reaction to a proactive, preventive way of thinking
- Increase awareness and understanding among municipal officials about the importance of climate resilience in planning and the resources that are available to support planning/resilience activities

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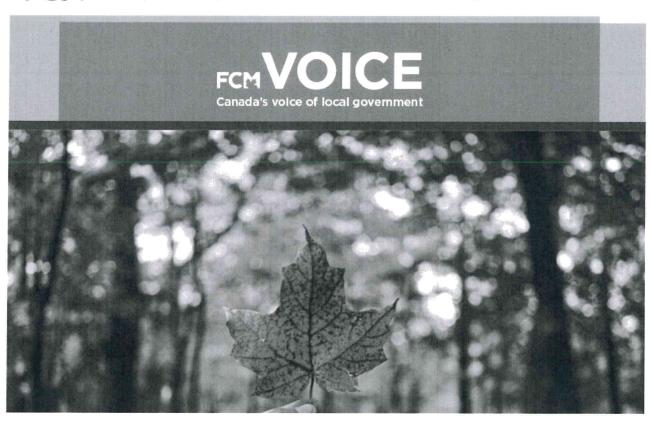












London receives historic Housing Accelerator Fund investment

On Wednesday, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Minster Sean Fraser and London Mayor Josh Morgan announced a \$74 million investment from the Housing Accelerator Fund in London, which will fast-track the creation of over 2,000 additional housing units over the next three years alone and build thousands more in the years to come.

FCM has long advocated for the Housing Accelerator Fund, which is a great example of what can be accomplished with a strong municipal-federal partnership, and gives municipalities another tool to help better support the affordable, equitable and sustainable housing that Canadians need. With partners across orders of government, municipalities will continue to lead the way in building communities that offer everyone a safe place to call home.

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NEWS

FCM Board of Directors calls for a new Municipal Growth Framework

Last week, FCM's Board of Directors held their September Board meeting and discussed urgent municipal issues. They emphasized FCM's top priorities, such as renewed federal action on severe weather and Canada's housing crisis. The Board also passed seven resolutions underlining FCM's commitment to municipalities. President Scott Pearce issued two important statements including one calling on the federal government to adopt a new Municipal Growth Framework that properly addresses national challenges, echoing FCM members' 2023 Annual Conference resolution.

- » READ THE MUNICIPAL GROWTH FRAMEWORK STATEMENT
- » READ THE FCM KEY PRIORITIES STATEMENT

New report on women's representation in Canadian municipalities

This week we celebrate Gender Equality Week in Canada. New research funded by FCM's Canadian Women in Local Leadership (CanWILL) program shows that women now represent 31% of all municipal elected representatives in Canada. Despite this progress, the road ahead to achieve gender parity and meaningful participation of women in municipal governance is still long. This report highlights the progress to date, the need for disaggregated data and more.

» READ THE REPORT

Latest FCM Momentum brings positive news on the equity and inclusion

Every season brings a new issue of FCM Momentum newsletter. The Fall 2023 edition was published on September 18 during Gender Equality Week, and features news from different FCM programs. As the Partnership for Municipal Innovation-Women in Local Leadership program enters its third year of implementation, discover how the program contributes to positive change in its five partner countries, in favour of a greater role for women in local politics and more inclusive municipal services.

Unveil the latest statistics on women elected officials in Canada, which have reached an important milestone. And be inspired by the measures implemented by the Green Municipal Fund to integrate equity and inclusion in all aspects of its work.

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RESOURCES

Community Efficiency Financing Funding helps homeowners make their properties more affordable and energy efficient

Launched by GMF in 2021, the Community Efficiency Financing (CEF) initiative supports Canadian municipalities and partners in the delivery of home-energy upgrade financing programs. Still active today, municipalities can access grants, loans and credit enhancement to create or scale-up local programs to help homeowners upgrade the energy performance of their homes.

We can help you reach your environmental goals, bring jobs to your community and build better lives.

» LEARN MORE

Community Buildings Retrofit's GHG Reduction Pathway approach explained in video

Elected officials can make a significant impact on reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and improve energy efficiency in local facilities. That's why GMF created a new video on the Community Buildings Retrofit's Reduction Pathway approach, a short, educational video specifically designed for elected officials.

By watching this video, you'll discover a roadmap toward sustainable local facilities. You'll gain a better understanding of how to use the GHG Reduction Pathway approach to upgrade community buildings and reduce GHG emissions.

Learn how your municipality can reduce GHG emissions and improve energy efficiency in local facilities.

» WATCH THE VIDEO

FCM TWEETS

Sept 14: FCM is pleased to see the Government of Canada take steps to reduce the cost of rental construction by removing the GST from those projects. It is an important step that will drive progress on housing starts across

Sept 15: STATEMENT: FCM Board of Directors issues a national call for a new Municipal Growth Framework:

https://t.co/GD9znJPIkZ

"A new Municipal Growth Framework is at the center

Sept 18: September 17 marks the beginning of #GenderEqualityWeek. We're pleased to share a new report that finds women now represent 31% of all municipal elected representatives in Canada. @munibarometer

the country, and a measure that FCM has long called for. It is also a reminder of the broader economic challenges—such as construction costs, labour shortages and interest rates—that are contributing to the delay of housing starts in Canada. Municipalities have a critical role to play and are committed to finding solutions to Canada's housing crisis. FCM welcomes conversations with all federal partners on proposals that get more housing built.

of our conversations this week, as a Board and within FCM's Standing Committees," said FCM President @MayorScotty. "Every member of FCM's leadership is focused on this mission, and we look forward to continuing conversations with our counterparts at the federal and provincial orders of government on how we can improve Canadians' quality of life as the country grows."

conducted research on the representation of women on municipal councils in Canada on behalf of FCM's Canadian Women in Local Leadership (CanWILL) program. Explore the findings: https://bit.ly/452wU7v

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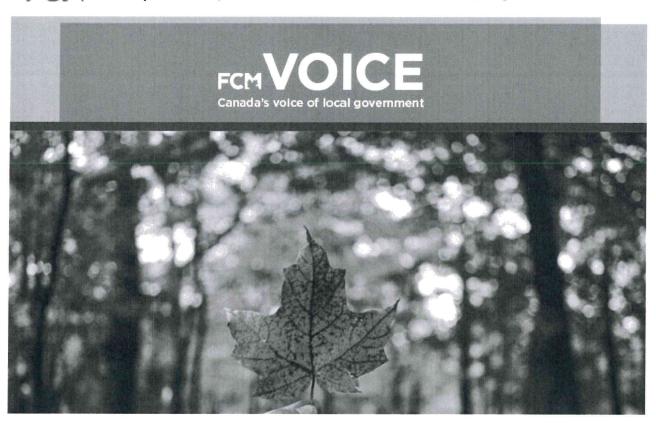












FCM President focuses on crucial Municipal Growth Framework at PTA events

FCM President Scott Pearce is appearing at numerous Provincial and Territorial Associations' conferences and meetings across the country this fall, as FCM continues to connect with members and drive advocacy for a much-needed new Municipal Growth Framework. The President recently spoke at the AMO Annual General Meeting in London ON, the UBCM Convention and Trade Show in Vancouver BC, and virtually addressed the CNBA Annual Conference in Fredericton NB.

The President is set to attend and focus on this key priority with members at upcoming events in Edmonton AB, Moncton NB, St. John's NL, Halifax NS, Québec City QC, Brandon MB and elsewhere over the coming weeks and months. The focus from FCM's executive speaks to this

priority need for a new, innovative revenue tool that is linked to national growth and helps redefine the way we engage across orders of government.

» LEARN MORE ABOUT THE NEED FOR A MUNICIPAL GROWTH FRAMEWORK

EVENTS

New energy efficiency e-course for building operators

Are you interested in making your affordable housing buildings more energy efficient? The new Building Operators Training course introduces building operators, maintenance personnel or custodians from the affordable housing sector to energy efficiency, new technologies, and facility retrofits that will save energy and money. Affordable housing providers will empower their staff, support residents in their municipality, and demonstrate leadership in the sector.

» REGISTER FOR THIS COURSE NOW

RESOURCES

Guide: How to develop an asset management policy and strategy

Are you looking for resources to strengthen your municipality's approach to managing infrastructure assets? Our guide, *How to develop an asset management policy and strategy,* can help you develop an asset management policy, strategy and governance framework for your community.

Based on best practices from 17 municipalities across Canada and supported by asset management experts, this guide can help you develop and meet strategic goals, ensuring a high quality of life for your citizens.

» READ THE GUIDE

Study: GHG reduction pathway feasibility study

Assess the feasibility of supporting near and long-term projects that reduce energy and GHGs, extend asset life and reduce cost of ownership for local recreational and cultural facilities. Determine the best approach to achieving near net zero buildings with a study grant

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FCM TWEETS

<u>Sept 21</u>: This week, we shared new research that shows:

- 16% of municipalities have reached levels at or above gender parity
- Women hold 33% of councillor positions
- Women hold 22% of municipal mayoral positions
- 16% of communities in the research have no women on council

What's next? What can we do to foster parity and more diversity in municipal councils? Read more.

Sept 21: FCM has long advocated for the removal of GST from new purposebuilt rental construction. This is a positive and important step to reduce development costs for new rental builds across the country. It is also a reminder of the broader economic challengessuch as construction costs, labour shortages and interest rates—that are contributing to the delay of housing starts in Canada ... Read more.

Sept 23: Thank you to @CNBA ACNB for having FCM President @MayorScotty address their annual conference today. In New Brunswick and across the country, the collective influence that our united voice can achieve is more vital than ever.

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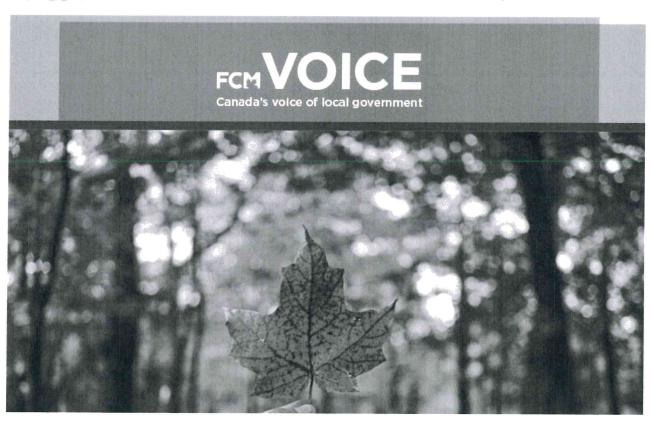












Year in review: GMF's 2022-2023 Annual Report is now available

Fiscal year 2022-2023 marked the Green Municipal Fund's largest investment year, with a significant 14% increase from the previous fiscal year. Since inception, FCM's Green Municipal Fund not only funneled resources but amplified tangible impacts—leading to energy savings sufficient to power 166 arenas and greenhouse gas reductions equivalent to sidelining 880,547 cars. It's clear that local initiatives in communities, drive the pathway to a sustainable Canada.

» READ GMF'S ANNUAL REPORT

NEWS

FCM hosts external stakeholder municipal growth consultation

FCM brought together diverse stakeholders spanning government, finance, labour, housing, PTAs municipalities and public policy for an important discussion on Canada's growth and the need for a new Municipal Growth Framework.

The gathering provided a forum for leaders to bring forward valuable insights and marks an essential step in our journey to shape a comprehensive framework that effectively addresses the challenges facing Canadian municipalities. These conversations will guide our advocacy going forward.

» READ OUR STATEMENT

EVENTS

Webinar on accessing GMF funding for small francophone communities

Do you live in a small French municipality where the challenges you face create barriers to realizing your sustainable project? Join us on October 26, 2023 from 1-2 p.m. ET for our webinar, *How to get a project started: tips for small francophone communities*. Learn how to access GMF funding for small French municipalities and learn about real-life examples from other municipalities that have successfully funded projects, including different strategies they employed to overcome local challenges. This webinar will be delivered in French with simultaneous interpretation in English.

» REGISTER HERE

RESOURCES

Integrating equity, diversity and inclusion into municipal climate action

Are you looking to get started with incorporating equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) into your municipality's climate planning? Check out the new *Integrating Equity, Diversity and Inclusion into Municipal Climate Action* resource, produced by the Partners for Climate Protection program, delivered by FCM and ICLEI Canada. This introductory resource can help you:

- Learn the definitions of equity, diversity and inclusion
- Understand how EDI considerations fit into municipal climate action
- Overcome common challenges and concerns
- And more

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Building a better future for communities through connectivity

Investments in connectivity allow municipalities and communities to connect to the rest of the world – to participate in the digital economy, access virtual health care and learn online. In addition to strengthening the economic and social fabric of municipalities through expanding connectivity, our members are committed to contributing to communities in many other ways. Contributing to local communities is an important part of their operations.



» VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR **INDUSTRY**

FCM TWEETS

Sept 28: This morning, **FCM President**

@MayorScotty spoke at @ABMunis

#2023Convention in

Edmonton: "Albertan municipal elected officials are never afraid to stand up and be counted. That's what we need to succeed. as we help devise solutions and confront major challenges like housing and homelessness. infrastructure, community policing, and much more."

FCM will continue to support municipalities here and across the country. #CDNmuni

Sept 28: Our country and communities are growing at a record rate. Yet, for too long, the framework in which municipalities operate has remained unchanged, tethered to the past, while our country races toward the future. Today, cross-sector experts and leaders joined us for productive conversations imagining what a revitalized Municipal Growth Framework could look like. Our thanks to all who participated. #CDNmuni #CDNpoli Read our statement:

https://t.co/DQMnZ3qdWE

Sept 30: On this National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, FCM remains committed to continuing the vital work of reconciliation with Indigenous communities to better understand their collective history so we can help build a more inclusive future together. #NDTR

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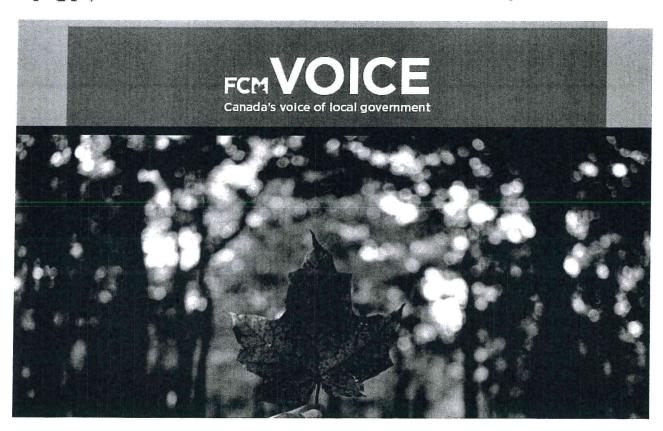
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Municipal Mental Health Roadmap

In celebration of World Mental Health Day, FCM is launching the Roadmap for Municipal Mental Health Initiatives, a guide for municipalities interested in co-creating a sustainable mental health and well-being strategy tailored to their community's needs. Produced in collaboration with the Wellesley Institute and informed by the Urban Project roundtable composed of mayors, academic leaders, stakeholders and government, this roadmap serves as a helpful resource to promote community mental wellness across Canada.

» READ THE ROADMAP

NEWS

The Partners for Climate Protection program: Supporting a climate-resilient future

The Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program's 2022-2023 Annual Insights Report is here.

For over 25 years, the PCP program has provided its members with hands-on technical assistance, networking opportunities and practical guides and tools to enable impactful greenhouse gas reductions. With this support, members have developed innovative local climate solutions such as waste-reducing circular economies, bylaws to reduce the use of fossil fuels, climate financing models, active transportation policies, renewable energy systems and more. In our 2022-2023 Annual Insights Report, we detail how the program supports broader efforts to combat climate change and protect the planet for future generations.

PCP is managed and delivered by FCM and ICLEI—Local Governments for Sustainability

Canada (ICLEI Canada) and receives financial support from the Government of Canada and ICLEI Canada.

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EVENTS

Webinar: Inclusive municipal service delivery

Are you passionate about creating thriving communities where every individual, regardless of who they are, has access to essential services and opportunities? We invite you to a webinar on October 17, 2023 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. ET that delves into the best practices of inclusive and gender-sensitive municipal service delivery. This event is for anyone interested in driving positive change in their community.

Our lineup of speakers includes municipal practitioners from Canada and <u>Partnerships for Municipal Innovation – Women in Local Leadership (PMI-WILL)</u> project countries (Benin, Cambodia, Ghana, Sri Lanka, and Zambia), ensuring a global perspective on these critical topics.

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RESOURCES

Watch our video series on climate resilience and asset management

Check out our series of three videos exploring how municipalities across Canada are making climate action a part of their municipal asset management practices and decision-making.

Take four minutes to watch each video and learn more about:

- Understanding climate impacts on service delivery
- · Responding to climate change with asset management
- · Leadership in climate and asset management

» WATCH THE VIDEOS NOW

Grant applications now open for community greening projects

Tree Canada is now accepting applications for community greening projects until December 3, 2023. Funding up to \$10,000 is available to support tree planting projects in municipalities across Canada. Let's continue to support "green infrastructure" in our communities!

» APPLY NOW



FCM TWEETS

Oct 3: October is #WomensHistoryMonth and this year's theme celebrates the achievements and contributions of women from diverse backgrounds, including Indigenous women, those from 2SLGBTQI+ communities and newcomer, racialized & migrant women. We honour their unique perspectives, experiences and challenges and recognize the work we all have to do for a more inclusive Canada.

Oct 4: From housing to a growing mental health crisis, municipalities are on the front lines of Canada's national challenges, but with outdated fiscal tools that are not designed to best meet them.

"Municipalities are very limited in terms of the revenue tools they have. And it hasn't changed for decades. The responsibilities may have increased, but the types of revenues have not," Dr. Enid Slack, Director of the Institute on Municipal Finance and Governance @imfgtoronto told delegates at FCM's annual conference ... Read more.

Oct 5: Another incredible Collaboration Week for the books. CEO @CaroleSaab said it best: "At the heart of FCM lies its people—all of you—and you are truly what drives everything we do."

The year ahead truly has the potential to shape the future of #CDNMuni. Our team will keep working hard to deliver for municipalities.

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Collaborate with Expert Landscape Architects

info@littlebluestemla.com

Wed 9/20/2023 7:39 AM

To:Cheryl Fraser <adminassist1@oakland-wawanesa.ca>

Dear Joni,

I hope this email finds you well. I wanted to reach out and express our interest in exploring collaboration opportunities with rural municipalities like yours.

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If you're interested in exploring how LBLA can contribute to upcoming projects in your community, please don't hesitate to reach out. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how we can work together.

Best regards,

Fiona Yang (she/her/她)

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September 29, 2023

Dear Mayors and Reeves:

2023 Municipal Operating Grant - Final Payment

On behalf of Honourable Andrew Smith, Minister of Municipal Relations, I am pleased to advise that the third and final payment of your municipality's 2023 Municipal Operating grant will be directly deposited into your municipality's account in the coming days. During the provincial general election period, Deputy Ministers are asked to correspond on their Minister's behalf.

The first payment of your municipality's 2023 Municipal Operating grant was previously provided in March 2023 and represented the \$47.0 million increase to the operating funding basket to municipalities announced on February 24, 2023. The second payment followed in May 2023.

Please note that the third and final payment of your 2023 Municipal Operating grant continues to be an estimate, as Census population appeals are still active. As a result, future adjustments will be made to the per capita allocation of the operating grant once all 2021 Census population count adjustments are finalized by Statistics Canada. The attachment to this letter provides information on the breakdown of your municipality's third payment, which is comprised of the per capita amount as per current Census data, municipal specific service funding, and a base grant for municipalities with a population of 5,000 and lower, and northern communities as defined under the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Northern District.

The Municipal Operating grant is unconditional, which gives your municipality full flexibility to allocate the funding according to your local priorities. As noted in the 2023 Budget Day letter to municipalities, we are requesting that municipalities report on the notional or estimated allocation of the Municipal Operating grant funding towards their core municipal services and programs, and identify high level outcomes achieved in 2022. The report will help the department analyze how the funding is being applied locally while also ensuring that it continues to meet ongoing and evolving municipal needs in the future – through the ongoing review framework of the Municipal Operating grant. If you have not submitted your report, please complete and submit your 2022 report to the Department of Municipal Relations through the Manitoba Municipalities Online as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Bruce Gray

Deputy Minister of Municipal Relations

Enclosure

Attachment

Municipal Operating Grant

Oakland-Wawanesa, Municipality

Estimated Total Operating Grant 2023

\$ 238,105.47 *

Breakdown:

Per Capita: \$ 167,986.97 **

Other Specific Services: \$45,118.50 ***

First Payment - March 2023

\$ 51,577.27

Second Payment - May 2023

\$ 93,264.10

Final Payment - September 2023

\$ 93,264.10

^{*}The total Municipal Operating grant includes base funding for municipalities with a population of 5,000 and lower, and northern communities as defined under the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Northern District.

^{**} Note that future adjustments to the per capita allocation will be made once all 2021 Census population appeals are finalized by Statistics Canada.

^{***} Funding support for municipal specific services or other pressures that have been consolidated into the operating grant since 2017 have been maintained at previous levels. This includes transit, fire protection, recreation, environmental health, roads and bridges. Note that funding for each municipality under this component vary according to known service requirements at the time of consolidation.

From: +WPG569 - Office of Drinking Water <odw@gov.mb.ca>

Sent: Monday, September 18, 2023 3:30 PM

Subject: Important Information for Drinking Water Systems in Manitoba

To Water System Owners and Operators,

Please review the below information and reminders, as it relates to your drinking water system:

Cantech Bio Laboratory Closed

Cantech Bio Laboratory in Brandon, MB has closed. Water systems are no longer able to ship samples to this location for analysis. Please ensure staff responsible for sampling are aware of this closure, as samples must be sent to a Winnipeg lab to complete analysis.

Chemical certification requirements

It has come to our attention that a chemical supplier in eastern Manitoba has been repackaging NSF approved chlorine and selling it under a different name to water systems. Any chemical used for water treatment and that may come into contact with potable water must be certified safe for potable water use through AWWA Standards, ANSI/NSF Standard 60 or 61, or Health Canada. Please be aware that once repackaging has taken place, the product is no longer considered NSF approved and cannot be used by your water system.

Bacteriological Sampling

Reminder to all water systems to follow appropriate methods for taking bacteriological water samples. Information on appropriate methods can be found <u>ODW-OG-12</u>: Collecting Bacteriological Water Samples.

ALS Laboratory

The following information applies to drinking water samples submitted to ALS Laboratories (ALS) in Winnipeg, where your systems receive a provincial subsidy for bacteriological analysis. Should you have any questions regarding the below information, please contact the lab directly by email at alswpclientservices@alsglobal.com or phone at 204-255-9720.

a) Accounts in Arears

An increasing number of accounts are in arears. All accounts must be in good standing in order to receive test results. Any amount outstanding (even as little as \$1.00), will result in your test being rejected at the laboratory.

Failure to obtain test results as a result of non-payment with the laboratory can affect your compliance under The Drinking Water Safety Act. You are encouraged to process payments for your samples in a timely manner.

b) Shipping Collect

ALS has advised that some water systems are shipping samples with their courier, and then charging them collect. ALS is not responsible for shipping costs, and shipping of samples should occur independently of their service. Water system owners and operators are reminded to use their own shipping means and methods, at their own cost, when submitting samples.

c) Chain-of-Custody (COC) forms

Due to an increase in water systems using improper or outdated COCs, and the administrative burden this causes, ALS will no longer be accepting samples submitted with improper or outdated COCs (e.g. a chemistry sample received on a bacteriological COC will not be processed). Every water system is provided customized COC forms by their Drinking Water Officer. Please contact your Regional Drinking Water Officer Microsoft Word -2023 Office of Drinking Water contact list.docx (gov.mb.ca) if you are unsure what to use with your samples.

d) Metals Analysis Bottle Requirement

As of September 1, 2023, ALS will no longer be sub-sampling metals from routine bottles. Metals analysis must be submitted in the proper metals bottle, or the samples will be rejected. Please contact the lab to acquire the appropriate sample bottles for this test.

Your cooperation and attention to these matters is appreciated. Office of Drinking Water

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