

AGE FRIENDLY Manitoba

Mission: To facilitate healthy aging by providing leadership and encouraging collaboration in creating age-friendly places (communities) that optimize the ability of all older Manitobans to do the things they feel are important.

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GLOBAL VISION IGNITES LOCAL ACTION!

Age Friendly communities, a global plan driven by the World Health Organization (WHO), has gained significant traction across Manitoba. Ninety-three municipalities officially joined this initiative and are on the pathway to reduce barriers and enhance resources, making their community more age friendly for residents of all ages.

The WHO developed the Age Friendly model and continues to engage and connect communities and countries around the world through its Decade of Healthy Ageing 2021-2030.

Manitoba Association of Senior Communities (MASC) recently launched Age Friendly Manitoba 2.0 to continue its support for healthy aging and social inclusion of older Manitobans. With funding from the Province of Manitoba, MASC offers leadership, support, and resources to communities as they continue their journey to become more age friendly.

Communities on the age friendly pathway were recently eligible to apply for funding through the new Community Collaboration Grant Program. It encouraged three or more community organizations and their local municipality to deliver a project that impacts two or more age friendly domains.

Jeanette Edwards, MASC President noted that *“our organization is excited to see the collaborative impact of community organizations working together, and we are pleased to announce that ten grants of \$10,000.00 each are being awarded to support a project in the following communities:*

- **Chalmers Neighbourhood Renewal Corp (Winnipeg)**
- **City of Brandon - Age Friendly Committee of Council**
- **Rural Municipality of Prairie Lakes**
- **Municipality of Harrison Park**
- **Town of Carberry**
- **Town of Powerview-Pine Falls**
- **Municipality of Emerson-Franklin**
- **Norfolk Treherne Development Corporation**
- **Municipality of Cartwright-Roblin**
- **Municipality of Russell-Binscarth**

In addition to the Community Collaboration Grant, which will be offered again, the Age Friendly 2.0 initiative welcomed seven new municipalities to its Milestone Recognition Program. Benefits of accomplishing the Milestones include a \$2,500.00 award, and recognition at the national and international levels.

“The AMM commends the municipalities across Manitoba that have been recognized for advancing age-friendly initiatives within their communities. Their efforts not only showcase a commitment to the well-being of all community members, but create more inclusive and supportive environments for people of all ages,” stated Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) President Kam Blight.



Dementia-Friendly Communities

Dementia-friendly communities include and support people living with dementia in the places they work, live and play. People living with the disease feel supported by their community members whether they are at post offices, retail outlets, using transportation or enjoying hobbies out in the community.

A dementia-friendly community focuses on stigma reduction and the inclusion of people living with dementia. People are educated about the disease and know that a person living with dementia may sometimes experience the world differently. In a dementia-friendly community, people living with dementia feel supported by their community.

The term “community” can mean a location like a neighborhood or city, but can also include groups of people with shared interests or features, such as professional groups, religious organizations or businesses. This means that cities and towns can become dementia-friendly communities, as can your book club, your business, a local coffee shop, a faith group or grocery store.

Dementia-friendly communities are defined by both their social and physical characteristics. These attributes can help support people with dementia by reducing anxiety, stigma or frustration.

What does a dementia-friendly social environment look like?

Community members who are dementia-friendly recognize that:

- A person living with dementia is more than their diagnosis.
- Dementia can affect a person’s cognition, behaviour, emotions and physical capabilities.
- Everyone has a role to play in recognizing people living with dementia as a part of their community and supporting their independence, value and inclusion.

What can your community do?

- Request dementia education to help community members understand dementia and learn how to offer appropriate assistance.
- Include people living with dementia in community or organizational programming.
- Encourage staff in your city, town or municipality – whether at libraries or community centers, or parking and by-law officers, police and firefighters – to be educated about dementia and be able to communicate effectively with a person living with dementia.
- Work with others in the community, such as shopkeepers, bank tellers and bus drivers, to receive dementia education specific to their job.

Did you know that there is a free **Building dementia-friendly communities online course**? For more information on this and more, check out <https://alzheimer.mb.ca/>



L-R: Leilani Esteban-Villarba, Kendall Pratap, Michel Durand-Wood, Connie Newman, Councillor Jason Schreyer, Janice Stuyck, Jon Stuyck and Joy Matsubara.

CHALMERS NEIGHBORHOOD RENEWAL CORP is one of the successful Community Collaboration \$10,000 grant recipients!

Together Elmwood East Kildonan, The City of Winnipeg and the Glen Elm Neighbourhood Assoc. are partnering to enhance the lives and build a strong sense of community for older adults by fostering social participation, economic growth and improvement to public spaces!



Our consultants are ready to work with you!

Connect with Connie Newman at (204) 792-5838 or info@manitobaseniorcommunities.ca and hello@agefriendlymanitoba.com or visit our website: www.agefriendlymanitoba.com



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Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Association of Manitoba Land Surveyor's Annual Register 2024

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Association of Manitoba Land Surveyors' Annual Register for 2024.

This Annual Register of members of the Association of Manitoba Land Surveyors is published in accordance with the provisions of "The Land Surveyors Act", C.C.S.M. Cap. L60. It is distributed for the convenience of the citizens of Manitoba to ensure access to the profession when seeking advice or surveys with respect to land within this Province. Only those individuals listed as Practising Members are entitled to engage in the practise of land surveying within Manitoba.

Please post a copy of the register in your office(s).

Regards,

Lee Hurton
Executive Officer

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From: AMM Communications <amm+amm.mb.ca@ccsend.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 12:41 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: AMM MEMBER ADVISORY - DFAA Modernization Update & Latest EMO Resources and Workshops



MEMBER ADVISORY

DFAA Modernization Update & Latest EMO Resources and Workshops

NOTE: This message is being sent on behalf of Manitoba Emergency Management Organization (EMO).

January 16, 2024 – Over the past few years, the federal government has consulted Manitoba EMO on the review of the federal **Disaster Financial Assistance Arrangements (DFAA)**. The frequency, impacts, and costs related to disasters are on the rise, and the review focuses on ensuring the program continues to be effective and sustainable.

The Manitoba government continues to advocate for changes that address gaps in the current DFAA and the federal government has been responsive to suggestions. The federal government recently shared preliminary information with Manitoba on proposed changes to DFAA.

Some of the changes include creating climate and disaster resilient guidelines and investing in strategic mitigation. The federal government has committed to sharing further information on the modernized DFAA in the spring of 2024.

The current DFAA will **expire on March 31, 2025**, and will be replaced with a modernized version that is set to take **effect April 1, 2025**.

As Canada's review continues, Manitoba EMO is also taking this opportunity to review the **provincial DFA program** to improve responsiveness, reduce administrative burdens, and be able to flow funds more quickly to those affected by disasters.

In the coming months, Manitoba EMO will provide stakeholders with greater details on proposed changes to the federal DFAA and the provincial DFA as programming moves from recovery to resilience. We look forward to working with all partners to build a more resilient Manitoba. Any questions can be directed to **dfa@gov.mb.ca**.

In addition, Manitoba EMO's Mitigation Program Area has launched a **new and improved webpage** to help local authorities access disaster mitigation funding programs. The webpage adds several new features that provide an enhanced experience, including:

1. Key information snapshots such as upcoming deadlines, fund specifications, and links to relevant pages.
2. Filters to find programs relevant to the user. Users can filter by applicant, such as for individuals, local authorities, or non-profit, or filter by project type, such as flooding, capacity building, or infrastructure.
3. Coming soon - a mailing list subscription that allows users to be emailed information about new programs available to them.

Finally, please be advised that Eco-West Canada, in partnership with Manitoba's EMO and Department of Environment and Climate Change, will conduct six workshops across different communities. These workshops aim to explore how climate adaptation and disaster mitigation planning can help build resilient communities.

These workshops will:

1. Provide the opportunity to develop collaborative projects and build partnerships.
2. Move the broader discussion in emergency management from repair to prevention. This includes identifying the value of climate adaptation and disaster risk reduction in local planning and learning about opportunities to fund these activities.
3. Inform future policy and programming on climate adaptation and disaster mitigation planning in government.

4. Learn about the valuable tools and services available to help local decision makers build climate and disaster prepared communities.

For more information, please click [HERE](#).

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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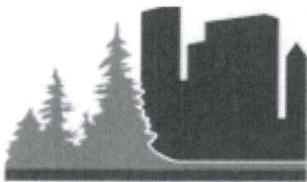
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January 19, 2024

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We hope you enjoy this copy of the AMM News Bulletin. Click [HERE](#) to download a PDF version.

LATEST UPDATES

AMM Kicks-off 2024 Municipal Visits



The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) has kicked-off its annual round of municipal visits by meeting this week with several municipalities in the Western District.

"Meeting one-on-one with individual Councils allows us to gain invaluable local insights to advance municipal priorities as well as learn about challenges and opportunities facing local communities. This is especially important as the provincial government settles into its new mandate and prepares Budget 2024," noted AMM President Kam Blight.

Joining Blight will be Vice-President Kathy Valentino, Western District Directors Rhonda Coupland and Scott Phillips, and Executive Director Denys Volkov.

The AMM delegation will be meeting with Town Of Carberry, Cartwright-Roblin Municipality, Prairie Lakes Municipality, Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa, City of Brandon - Local Government, and RM of Elton.

Updated Manitoba EMO – Mitigation Funding webpage

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- Key information snapshots such as upcoming deadlines, fund specifications, and links to relevant pages.

- Filters to find programs relevant to the user. Users can filter by applicant, such as for individuals, local authorities, or non-profit, or filter by project type, such as flooding, capacity building, or infrastructure.
- Coming soon - a mailing list subscription that allows users to be emailed information about new programs available to them.

Click here to visit webpage: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/emo/mitigation/funding.html>

Municipal Climate Adaptation and Disaster Mitigation - WORKSHOP POSTER

2023/2024 Circular Economy Survey

Circular economy is an emerging priority and opportunity for businesses and organizations across all sectors of the prairie economies. **We invite and encourage you to fill out the survey and add your insights and experience to the discussion.**

You can access the survey here: <https://ca1se.voxco.com/S2/291/scmbopen/>
The survey closes on February 9, 2024.

If you have any further questions about this survey, please contact Probe Research Inc. at 204.926.6565 or toll free at 1.877.538.5545, or the project consultant noted below:

Mike Fernandes, StrategyMakers Consulting Inc.
Email: mikefernandes@strategymakers.ca
Phone: 204-223-4460

REMINDER: Rail Safety Improvement Program-RSIP Funding

Transport Canada's Rail Safety Improvement Program (RSIP) is launching a **Call for Proposals** under the new **Research and Education** component with the following two sub-streams to which you can apply:

- Education and Awareness
- Research and Technology

Please note that Education and Awareness projects will be prioritized over Research and Technology projects for this Call for Proposals.

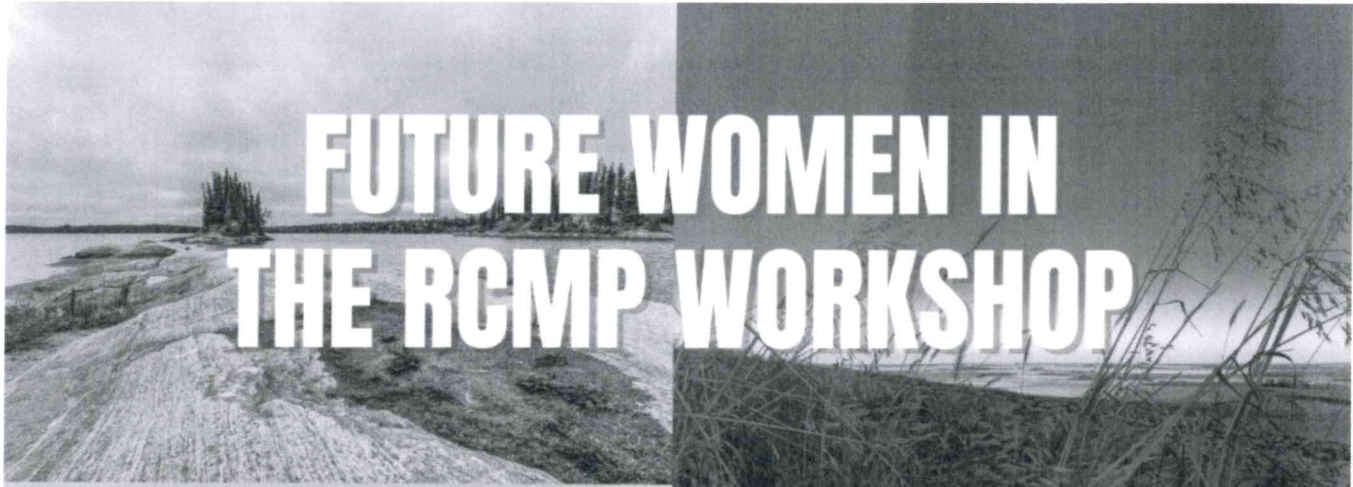
RSIP provides federal funding to help improve rail safety, contribute to increasing safety at grade crossings and along rail lines, address climate change resilience, and increase public confidence in Canada's rail transportation system.

This new component of the program supports activities and initiatives aimed at improving rail safety to reduce injuries and fatalities, as well as reducing grade crossing collisions and trespassing incidents on railway property.

For more information about this funding opportunity, please visit the Rail Safety Improvement Program website: <https://tc.canada.ca/en/programs/funding-programs/rail-safety-improvement-program>.

This is a friendly reminder that the deadline to submit a proposal for the Research and Education intake is next week, **January 24, 2024, (12:00 a.m. PST)**.

Future Women in the RCMP Workshop



FUTURE WOMEN IN THE RCMP WORKSHOP

A uniform with your name on it is waiting for you!

The Manitoba RCMP will be hosting a "Future Women in the RCMP" one-day workshop.

The workshop is designed to create an interactive learning experience about a career in law enforcement.

Basic Requirements:


- Be 18 years of age or older
- Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Valid Class 5 Driver's Licence
- Possess a Canadian high school diploma

Now accepting applications for the 2024 workshop!

Deadline to apply: March 1st, 2024

For more information on how to apply contact:
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Saturday, April 6th, 2024

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Re: AMM General Insurance Program – Claims Reporting and Contacts

In close partnership with our dedicated in-house claims service team, we are enclosing a **summary of what to expect when a new claim is reported**, and the individual parties involved throughout your claim.

At Western Financial Group – we take our responsibility for your claims experience very seriously. In addition to your Claims Support Team, you can also expect the following from your Commercial Service Team:

Claims Support:

- Receive and report your claims, same day
- Resource for reviewing existing coverage, and wordings
- Provide support and assist in file escalation, as needed

General Service Expectations:

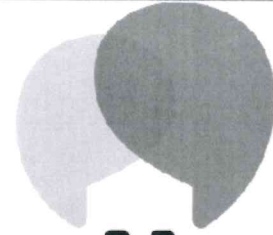
- Prompt attention to your phone calls and messages same or next business day
- Emails to be acknowledged same or next business day
- Dedicated professional and knowledgeable service team

We are pleased to also attach an **updated contact sheet for your AMM Insurance Program Service Team**, here at Western Financial Group.

-Your AMM Insurance Service Team



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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:

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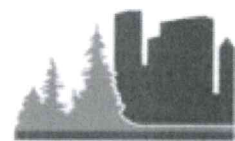
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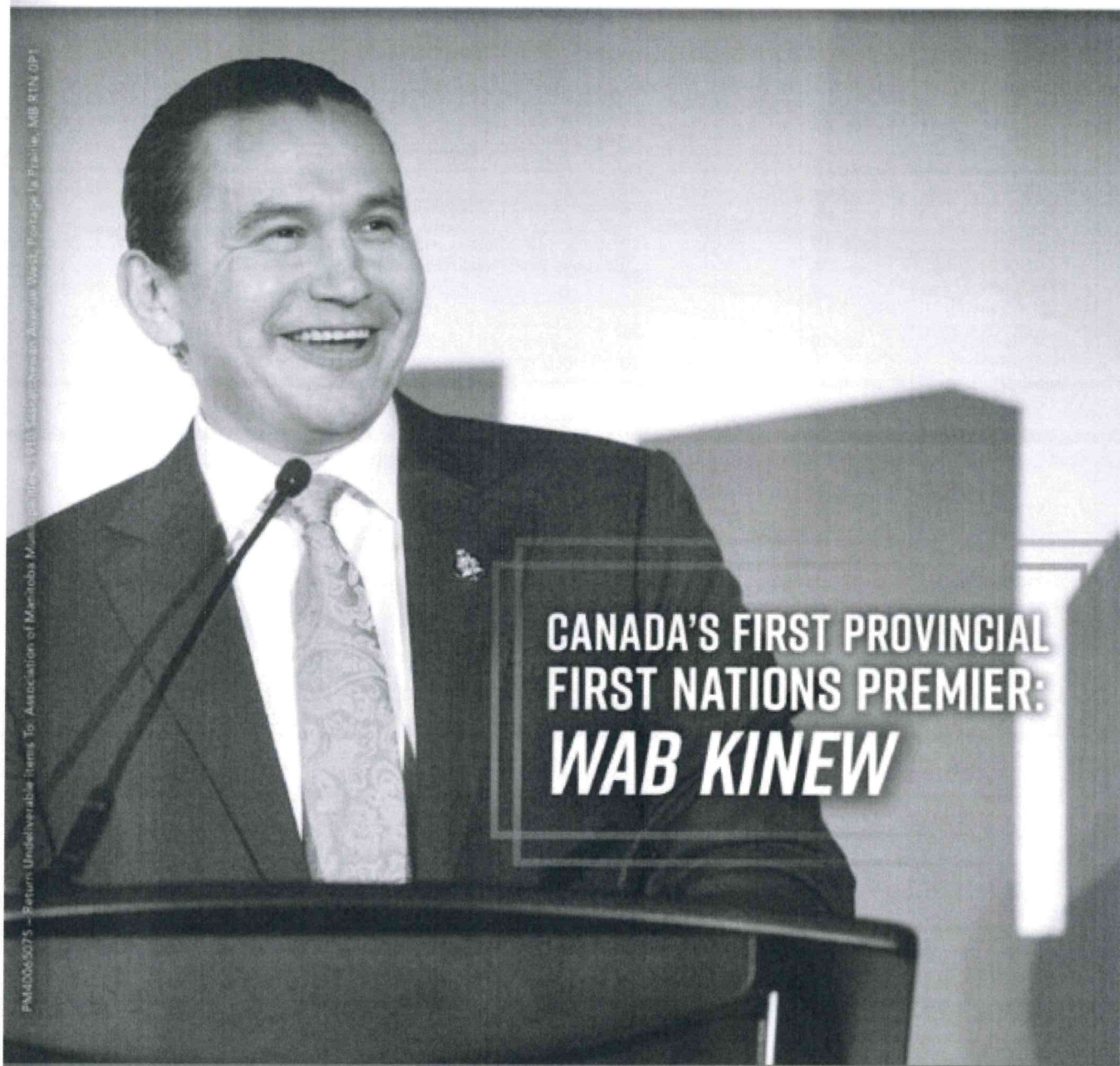
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PLUS: AMM Fall Convention Recap • 2023 Meeting with the Provincial Cabinet

New year, continued momentum! Check out the Winter 2024 issue of the Municipal Leader! Along with regular columnists, meet Manitoba's new Premier, the Hon. Wab Kinew, along with the Provincial Cabinet, recap our Fall Convention, and read how the Canadian Centre for Cyber Security can help your municipality and more.

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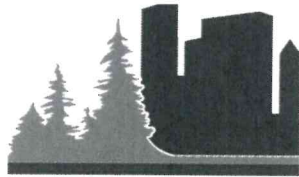
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION Upcoming Informative Webinars

January 23, 2024 – Please be advised that the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) has partnered with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA) to bring you two highly informative webinars.

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 - February 8 - How to start the asset management conversation with your municipal leaders - Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

Details:

- **Thursday, Feb 8, 2024**
- **Time: 12:00PM - 1:30PM**
- **ZOOM Meeting**

Description: This webinar we will review how Manitoba has started moving the goal post of asset management in the province by training municipal staff, and generating support and awareness of elected officials on sustainable service delivery. We'll hear from one municipality on the use of FCM's "starting the conversation about asset management" toolkit, and how it was received by their council. We also learn what tools and tactics presenters are using to gain support elected officials and enhance officials and staffs infrastructure decision making processes.

How to Join:

[Click here to register for the Zoom Meeting](#)

Webinar # 2 - February 15 - Threatscape Manitoba: Unpacking Cyber Challenges for Municipalities - Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA)

Details:

- **Thursday, Feb 15, 2024**
- **Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**
- **ZOOM Meeting**

Description: Are municipalities low hanging fruit for cyber criminals and foreign state actors looking to cause chaos? Is cybersecurity even worth it for organizations with few resources and other priorities? Explore pragmatic solutions and actionable insights from Jamie Hari, Director of Product Management at CIRA and Pete Schmuland, Manager of Technology Infrastructure at the City of Brandon as they navigate the complex landscape of cybersecurity in Manitoba and provide strategic guidance for leaders committed to ensuring the safety of their networks, data, and communities. In this webinar, you will learn about cost-effective measures that can significantly enhance cyber resilience and protect against evolving threats in an era of increasing digital interconnectedness.

How to Join:

[Join Zoom Meeting HERE](#)

Meeting ID: 815 2377 9203

Passcode: 549352

Sincerely,

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Call for Nominations: Central District Director By-Election

February 1, 2024 – Pleased be advised that the AMM will be holding a by-election to fill the District Director vacancy for the Central District. Please note that the AMM Board of Directors have endorsed a deadline to register to run for District Director positions.

Nominations and Candidate Requirements

- Only elected municipal officials are authorized to nominate a candidate.
- Any elected official (Head of Council, Mayor, Reeve, Councillor) is eligible to be nominated.
- **[Click here to download a formal Nomination Form](#)**, that includes the candidate's acceptance.
- If elected, the individual will serve on the AMM Board of Directors until **June 2025**.

Deadline for nominations: Thursday, March 28, 2024 by noon

- Please contact Denys Volkov at **dvolkov@amm.mb.ca** by submitting your name/municipality and the name/municipality of the individual you are nominating.
- Candidates will be asked to confirm their nominations via email no later than March 28, 2024.

Date of Central District Director By-Election:

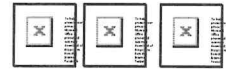
- Wednesday, April 11, 2024 8:00AM - 8:45 AM @ Keystone Centre, City of Brandon, Salon A

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself at dvolkov@amm.mb.ca or 204-856-2362.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Manitoba Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Seminar



Manitoba Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Seminar: Team-Toba Approach for FDI in Manitoba

February 1, 2024 - The Manitoba FDI Seminar aims to foster meaningful discussions and collaborations among key stakeholders in the realm of foreign direct investment in Manitoba.

Through an insightful panel discussion, presentations of success stories, and networking sessions, attendees will gain valuable insight into:

- Latest trends and developments in global investment landscapes
- National, provincial, and municipal frameworks and policies governing FDI
- Strategies for attracting and retaining FDI in Manitoba
- Case studies highlighting successful FDI projects in Manitoba
- Emerging opportunities and challenges in key industries

FDI experts from Global Affairs Canada and Economic Development Winnipeg, key decision makers from the Association of Manitoba Municipalities and the Government of Manitoba, and international businesses with experience of making investment into Manitoba will share their valuable insight on the FDI landscape in the province.

Who is the FDI Seminar for?

Manitoba municipalities, chambers of commerce, and economic advisors involved in economic development of the region, who are interested in FDI.

This seminar presents a unique opportunity for you to connect with FDI experts to explore potential collaborations and gain actionable insights to drive your organization's growth in today's increasingly globalized economy.

We look forward to welcoming you to this dynamic and insightful event as we collectively explore the avenues for unlocking new opportunities through foreign direct investment.

WHEN: 10:30 am to 3:00 pm - Tuesday, February 27, 2024

WHERE: Canad Inns Destination Centre - 1910 Saskatchewan Avenue West, Portage la Prairie

REGISTRATION FEE: \$30.00 plus GST per delegate includes refreshments and lunch. AMM will invoice your municipality/organization for the registered delegate(s) following the event.

Registration is open now until 3:00 pm on Friday, February 23, 2024.

NOTE: Seating is limited to 85. To accommodate as many attendees as possible, up to two (2) individuals from a municipality or organization are invited to register.

[Register Here](#)

The Manitoba FDI Seminar is organized by Global Affairs Canada, Government of Manitoba, Association of Manitoba Municipalities, and Economic Development Winnipeg.

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Should you require any further information, contact Paul Choi, Trade Commissioner at Paul.Choi@international.gc.ca.

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Subject: 2024 Annual Municipal General Insurance Renewal Meeting



February 2, 2024 - For over 45 years, the AMM Insurance Program has been referred to by independent insurance consultants as 'best in class' across Canada. AMM commissioned a third party independent review of the insurance program 2 years ago, which has been shared with the members.

The 2023 program renewal yielded unique challenges amidst the back end of a global pandemic and challenging economic conditions. The unique Protected-Self Insurance structure, kept additional premium dollars away from the open-market and in control of AMM members proving to serve the program well with \$3,750,000 returns of premium back to program participants. Due to the strength and integrity of the Program, the result of these solutions have been both effective and valuable to municipalities alike.

Denys Volkov, Executive Director of AMM and Grant Ostir, Chief Growth Officer of Western Financial Group, will be providing an update on the program performance by hosting a meeting on Zoom.

Along with your municipality's CAO and Head of Council, we invite any other members of council to attend this meeting.

AMM Municipal General Insurance Renewal Meeting

Details:

- **Friday, March 1, 2024**
- **Time: 12:00 pm to 1:15 pm**
- **ZOOM Meeting**

How to join:

Topic: AMM Municipal General Insurance Renewal Meeting

Time: Mar 1, 2024 12:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89945373390?pwd=QXN2VDJzYzRVd2ZoV2tnYkJHYXlrUT09>

Meeting ID: 899 4537 3390

Passcode: 344378

The Insurance Program continues to be a priority for the AMM and this information is vital to your municipality.

We look forward to your attendance.

Sincerely,
Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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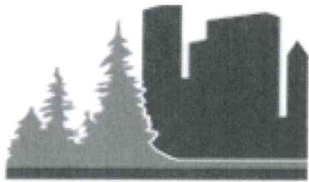
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February 2, 2024

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LATEST UPDATES

AMM tours Eastern, Parkland, and Midwestern Districts



Over the last couple of weeks, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) toured the Eastern, Parkland and Midwestern to meet one-on-one with several municipalities.

Joining President Kam Blight was Vice-Presidents Brad Saluk and Kathy Valentino, Eastern District Directors Loren Schinkel and Ray Schirle, and Director of Policy and Communications Nick Krawetz. On the Parkland and Midwestern visits, the Executive were joined by Parkland District Directors Jim Manchur and Lance Jacobson, and Midwestern District Directors Merv Starzyk and Ian Drul, as well as Senior Policy Analyst Stefanie Vieira.

The AMM delegation met with the Town of Morris, Municipality of Emerson-Franklin, RM of Reynolds, RM of Brokenhead, Town of Beausejour, RM of Ste. Anne, LGD of Pinawa, RM of Whitemouth, Gilbert Plains Municipality, Grandview Municipality, RM of Alonsa, RM of Ellice-Archie, Prairie View Municipality, RM of Oakview and RM of Rosedale.

Call for Nominations: 2024 AMM Central District Director By-Election

Nomination and Candidate Requirements:

- Only elected municipal officials are authorized to nominate a candidate.

- Any elected official (Head of Council/Mayor/Reeve/Councillor) is eligible to be nominated.
- [Click here to download a formal Nomination Form](#), that includes the candidate's acceptance.
- The elected individual will serve on the AMM Board of Directors until June 2025.

Deadline for nominations: Thursday, March 28, 2024 by noon

- Please contact Denys Volkov at dvolkov@amm.mb.ca by submitting your name/municipality and the name/municipality of the individual you are nominating.
- Candidates will be asked to confirm their nominations via email no later than March 28, 2024.

Date of Central District Director By-Election:

- Wednesday, April 11, 2024 @ 8:00-8:45 AM in Salon A, Keystone Centre, Brandon, MB

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FCM Webinar - How to Start the Asset Management Conversation in your Municipality



Join us on
February 8 at 1 p.m. ET
for a webinar on how to
raise awareness of the
importance of
asset management

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This webinar will review how Manitoba has started moving the goal post of asset management in the province by training municipal staff, and generating support and awareness of elected officials on sustainable service delivery. We'll hear from one municipality on the use of FCM's "starting the conversation about asset management" toolkit, and how it was received by their council. We also learn what tools and tactics presenters are using to gain support elected officials and enhance officials and staffs infrastructure decision making processes.

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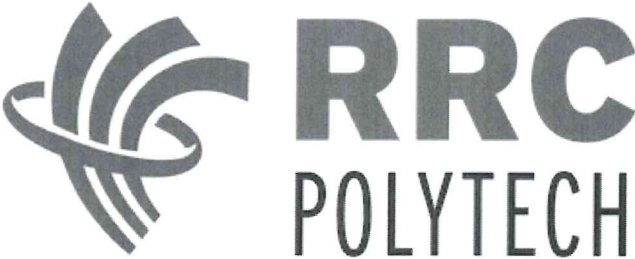
Efficiency Manitoba - New Buildings Program



New Code. New Incentives. This January, the National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings (NECB) 2020 came into effect in Manitoba. Efficiency Manitoba's New Buildings Program is here to help navigate the new energy code with increased incentives, supports and expertise to help save energy and money.

Learn More [HERE](#).

RRC Water and Wastewater Courses



Red River College Polytechnic is offering IN-PERSON Class 1 & 2 Operator Training and Certification Exam Preparation courses in spring 2024. All courses will be held at RRC Polytech's Notre Dame Campus. All courses run Monday through Thursday (8:00 am – 4:00 pm) except for the Foundations Course (5 days of instruction / no exam).

Please visit www.rrc.ca/techsolutions/manitoba-water-and-wastewater-training/ for information.

2024 Spring Water and Wastewater Courses Poster

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Winter Special Promotion: January 22 - March 31, 2024 - [POSTER HERE](#)

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New year, continued momentum! Check out the Winter 2024 issue of the Municipal Leader! Along with regular columnists, meet Manitoba's new Premier, the Hon. Wab Kinew, along with the Provincial Cabinet, recap our Fall Convention, and read how the Canadian Centre for Cyber Security can help your municipality and more.

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JANUARY 2024 - AMM WESTERN DIRECTOR'S UPDATE



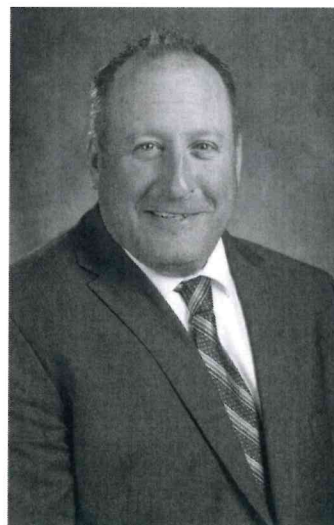
AMM Western Director's Update

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 **January 25, 2024**.

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.



AMM tours Western District



In January, AMM municipal tours took place in the Western District. Meeting one-on-one with individual Councils allows us to gain invaluable local insights to advance municipal priorities as well as learn about challenges and opportunities facing local communities.

Joining President Kam Blight was Vice-President Kathy Valentino, Western District Directors Rhonda Coupland and Scott Phillips, and Executive Director Denys Volkov.

The AMM delegation met with the Town Of Carberry, Cartwright-Roblin Municipality, RM of Prairie Lakes, Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa, City of Brandon, and RM of Elton. The AMM extends its sincere appreciation to these municipalities for the insightful conversations and productive visits.

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Manitoba Accessibility Fund Intake Opens; Transportation Standard Update

The Manitoba government is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 Manitoba Accessibility Fund (MAF), which offers grants up to \$50,000 to projects improving accessibility and removing barriers for Manitobans living with disabilities. Application projects must address accessibility standards under the Accessibility for Manitobans Act, tackling barriers to customer service, employment or information and communication. **The application deadline is February 16.** For more information on the Manitoba Accessibility Fund, [CLICK HERE](#).

Further, the Manitoba Government has unveiled the latest accessible transportation standard regulation, marking the fourth standard out of five planned standards. Organizations, including municipalities, are granted until **January 1, 2027**, to comply with this legislation. For communities with bus services, regular transit operators are given until **January 1, 2027**, to adhere to this standard. Additionally, any new bus purchases on or after **January 1, 2027**, must adhere to accessible design requirements. It's important to highlight that financial support for this standard will be accessible through the Manitoba Accessibility Fund starting in 2025.

School and Health Related Properties - Property Tax Exemptions

On October 3, 2022, decision by the Court of King's Bench reinterpreted clause 22(1)(d) of The Municipal Assessment Act to exempt school division-owned buildings that are used to support schools. The Court ruled that the legislation's exemption for property for "use of a public school" be given a large and liberal interpretation, considering the wide-ranging supports required for a modern education system. This ruling had the effect of exempting most school ancillary buildings, such as bus garages, counselling properties and resource programming buildings, while leaving buildings used strictly for administration purposes as taxable.

With respect to the Court decision, the Department of Municipal and Northern Relations subsequently exempted properties affected by this ruling for the 2023 assessment rolls, and distributed letters to all affected municipalities advising of changes on impacted properties in January 2023. Municipalities with further questions about the court decision and its assessment impacts can contact the Property Assessment Services office at 204-945-0119 or assessment@gov.mb.ca.

For more information, [CLICK HERE.](#)

Upcoming Webinars

Webinar # 1 - February 8 - How to start the asset management conversation with your municipal leaders - Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

Details:

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- Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- ZOOM Meeting

[Join Zoom Meeting HERE](#)

Spring Convention - Update

Registration will open on February 21 for the AMM 2024 Spring Convention.

The 2024 AMM Spring Convention will be held at the Keystone Centre in Brandon and will include meetings for Mayors, Reeves and CAOs on the first day with all member sessions and the Trade Show commencing on the second and third day. The event will run from April 9 to April 11, 2024.

For more information, visit the [AMM Website.](#)

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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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Upcoming Informative Webinars

February 5, 2024 – Please be advised that the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) has partnered with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA) to bring you two highly informative webinars.

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.

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Description: Are municipalities low hanging fruit for cyber criminals and foreign state actors looking to cause chaos? Is cybersecurity even worth it for organizations with few resources and other priorities? Explore pragmatic solutions and actionable insights from Jamie Hari, Director of Product Management at CIRA and Pete Schmuland, Manager of Technology Infrastructure at the City of Brandon as they navigate the complex landscape of cybersecurity in Manitoba and provide strategic guidance for leaders committed to ensuring the safety of their networks, data, and communities. In this webinar, you will learn about cost-effective measures that can significantly enhance cyber resilience and protect against evolving threats in an era of increasing digital interconnectedness.

How to Join:

[Join Zoom Meeting HERE](#)

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Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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Manitoba Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Seminar: Team-Toba Approach for FDI in Manitoba

February 9, 2024 - The Manitoba FDI Seminar aims to foster meaningful discussions and collaborations among key stakeholders in the realm of foreign direct investment in Manitoba.

Through an insightful panel discussion, presentations of success stories, and networking sessions, attendees will gain valuable insight into:

- Latest trends and developments in global investment landscapes
- National, provincial, and municipal frameworks and policies governing FDI
- Strategies for attracting and retaining FDI in Manitoba
- Case studies highlighting successful FDI projects in Manitoba
- Emerging opportunities and challenges in key industries

FDI experts from Global Affairs Canada and Economic Development Winnipeg, key decision makers from the Association of Manitoba Municipalities and the Government of Manitoba, and international businesses with experience of making investment into Manitoba will share their valuable insight on the FDI landscape in the province.

Who is the FDI Seminar for?

Manitoba municipalities, chambers of commerce, and economic advisors involved in economic development of the region, who are interested in FDI.

This seminar presents a unique opportunity for you to connect with FDI experts to explore potential collaborations and gain actionable insights to drive your organization's growth in today's increasingly globalized economy.

We look forward to welcoming you to this dynamic and insightful event as we collectively explore the avenues for unlocking new opportunities through foreign direct investment.

WHEN: 10:30 am to 3:00 pm - Tuesday, February 27, 2024

WHERE: Canad Inns Destination Centre - 1910 Saskatchewan Avenue West, Portage la Prairie

REGISTRATION FEE: \$30.00 plus GST per delegate includes refreshments and lunch. AMM will invoice your municipality/organization for the registered delegate(s) following the event.

Registration is open now until 3:00 pm on Friday, February 23, 2024.

NOTE: Seating is limited to 85. To accommodate as many attendees as possible, up to two (2) individuals from a municipality or organization are invited to register.

[Register Here](#)

The Manitoba FDI Seminar is organized by Global Affairs Canada, Government of Manitoba, Association of Manitoba Municipalities, and Economic Development Winnipeg.

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February 2, 2024 - For over 45 years, the AMM Insurance Program has been referred to by independent insurance consultants as 'best in class' across Canada. AMM commissioned a third party independent review of the insurance program 2 years ago, which has been shared with the members.

The 2023 program renewal yielded unique challenges amidst the back end of a global pandemic and challenging economic conditions. The unique Protected-Self Insurance structure, kept additional premium dollars away from the open-market and in control of AMM members proving to serve the program well with \$3,750,000 returns of premium back to program participants. Due to the strength and integrity of the Program, the result of these solutions have been both effective and valuable to municipalities alike.

Denys Volkov, Executive Director of AMM and Grant Ostir, Chief Growth Officer of Western Financial Group, will be providing an update on the program performance by hosting a meeting on Zoom.

Along with your municipality's CAO and Head of Council, we invite any other members of council to attend this meeting.

AMM Municipal General Insurance Renewal Meeting

Details:

- **Friday, March 1, 2024**
- **Time: 12:00 pm to 1:15 pm**
- **ZOOM Meeting**

How to join:

Topic: AMM Municipal General Insurance Renewal Meeting

Time: Mar 1, 2024 12:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89945373390?pwd=QXN2VDJzYzRVd2ZoV2tnYkJHYXlrUT09>

Meeting ID: 899 4537 3390

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The Insurance Program continues to be a priority for the AMM and this information is vital to your municipality.

We look forward to your attendance.

Sincerely,
Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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‘Mental Health on the Prairies’ conference looking to build hope and renew connections.

BU NEWS — January 24, 2024

BRANDON – Talking about mental health is important every day of the year, and the entire community is invited to come together this spring to join a conversation about building hope and renewing connection to support good mental health.

The Mental Health on the Prairies Hybrid Conference and Community Conversation will be held April 24th, 25th, and 26th, and is hosted by Brandon University. The meeting will bring together researchers, professionals working in health and social care, educators, community groups, and lived experience experts to have critical conversations about mental health research, services, and experiences.

The conference includes three keynote presentations designed for the whole community. Chris Beaudry – Former Humboldt Broncos Coach—will talk about the “heroes and dragons of mental health” sharing his experience of working with trauma. Dr. Jan DeFehr from University of Winnipeg will share extensive research and community practice in a presentation about breaking down psychiatric divisions. Finally, Sera Davidow—a filmmaker, author, activist and Director of a peer-to-peer support and training organization—will talk about mental health through a harm reduction lens. Each of the keynote presenters offer different perspectives on mental health that are critical to building hope and renewing connections. Please register to participate at <https://www.brandonu.ca/mhp/>.

The conference and community conversation will help share important information about mental health and support services with a wider audience.

“Connection is so important. We know that people who feel more connected report better mental health and they can cope better with mental health problems,” said Dr. Catherine Baxter conference co-chair and Professor in the Faculty of Health Studies.

The event planning team also includes community co-chair, Maria Kent, as well as mental health advocates, educators and researchers from the faculty of nursing, arts, and science at Brandon University.

Ultimately, the event aims to draw together a broad range of individuals from academic experts across the country to share knowledge and engage in critical conversations about community-based mental health research and solutions, to engaged community members who want to share their thoughts and experiences around mental health.

“This conference and conversation is an ongoing priority for us, and an important objective of our Centre for the Critical Studies of Rural Mental Health,” said Dr. Linda Ross, Acting Dean of Health Studies at BU. “I look forward to hearing the conversations and actions it generates.”

Mental Health on the Prairies is open to everyone. Anyone interested in participating in the Mental Health on the Prairies Conference and Community Conversation should go to the conference website for more information: <https://www.brandonu.ca/mhp/>.

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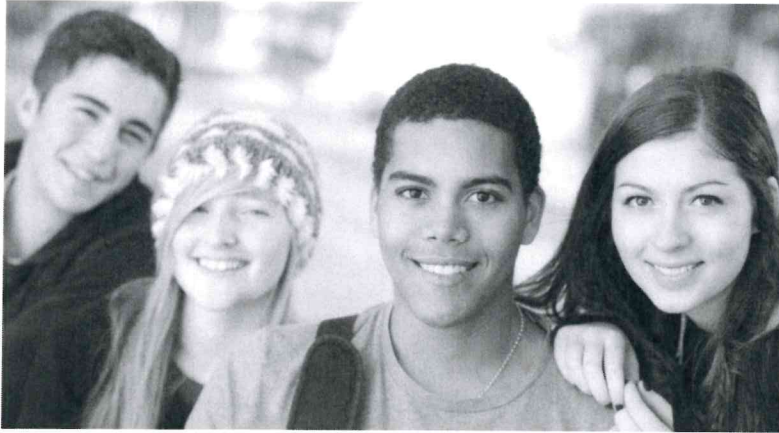
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This camp is open to any child in Manitoba, aged 7 to 15 years, who is grieving the death of someone significant in their lives.

Circle Square Ranch - Austin, MB

Friday, May 24, 2023 to Sunday, May 26, 2024



Camp Bridges provides a safe environment where the campers have opportunities to interact and share their feelings with other children in similar circumstances. They may learn to understand their grief, recognize that they are not alone, and that their feelings are normal. We acknowledge the loss and grief, honour memories, and have some fun, too.

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Camp Bridges




"Love builds bridges where there are none."

There is no fee to attend the camp

Camper applications must be received by May 1, 2024

For camper and volunteer information, contact:


Carla Mitchell

 cmitchell1@pmh-mb.ca

 204-578-2310

Melissa Peters

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 204-578-2340



If you would like to donate to Camp Bridges, please complete this form.

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Your organization contact person:

Address:

Phone number:

Your financial donation:

Please make all cheques payable to:
Prairie Mountain Health– Camp Bridges

Income tax receipts will be issued for donations.

The camp committee is responsible for raising funds required to host Camp Bridges. There is no fee for children to attend the camp.

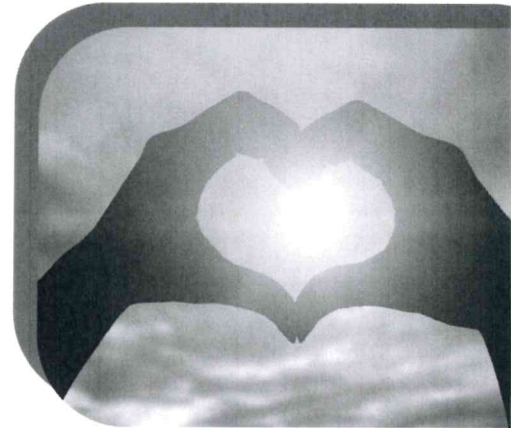
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Get In Touch

Please contact us for further information, including:

- information about Camp Bridges
- applications for campers
- applications for volunteers

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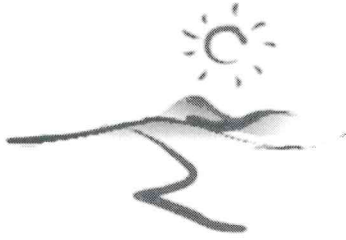
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Dear Prospective Camp Bridges Volunteer,

Enclosed please find the volunteer application form for Camp 2024. If you wish to volunteer please confirm your availability by **March 20, 2024**.

Please complete the enclosed application form and forward to:

Carla Mitchell, MSW/RSW
Regional Palliative Care Volunteer and Bereavement Coordinator
Camp Bridges
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Central Assiniboine Watershed District

205 Elizabeth Avenue East
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February 3, 2023

Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa
adminassist@oakland-wawanesa.ca
Attention: Council

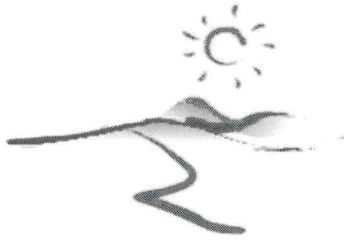
Dear Council:

Re: Local Support to the CAWD Proposed Budget for 2023-2024 Year (This is not an invoice)
(Invoices will be sent out in March)

Thank you for partnering and supporting with the Central Assiniboine Watershed District. Working together we can continue can achieve good things in our watershed for the benefit of all residents. We will be requesting the below listed amounts as the municipal commitment towards the 2023-2024 Budget, based on the Watersheds District Regulation.

In order to assist you with your upcoming budget process, estimated levy contributions from member councils for the 2023-2024 year are as follows:

Municipality	Levy Percentage	2023-2024 Levy
Argyle	3.57%	\$5,224.44
Cornwallis	5.75%	\$8,617.34
Elton	5.68%	\$8,314.00
Glenboro-South Cypress	6.73%	\$9,870.31
Grassland	3.78%	\$5,526.80
Grey	0.54%	\$784.93
Lorne	8.17%	\$11,953.68
Minto-Odanah	0.46%	\$671.43
Norfolk Treherne	1.63%	\$2,400.41
North Cypress-Langford	2.23%	\$3,278.07
Oakland-Wawanesa	5.10%	\$7,470.44
Oakview	1.42%	\$391.66
Pembina	0.22%	\$325.66
Prairie Lakes	3.40%	\$4,976.94
Riverdale	0.03%	\$42.01
Sifton	0.11%	\$156.22
Souris Glenwood	2.40%	\$3,519.31
Victoria	3.99%	\$5,878.66



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Whitehead	3.77%	\$5,564.10
Subtotal	58.98%	\$86271.76
City of Brandon	41.02%	\$60,000.00
Total	100.000%	\$146,271.76

If you have any questions, or would like an update on Watershed District activities please don't hesitate to give us a call at the number below.

Thanks in advance,

Margaret Sigvaldason

Margaret Sigvaldason
CAWD Financial Administrator
Phone: 204-535-2139
Toll Free: 877-535-2139

Norma Will

From: Wendy Petersen <petersenw@cfwestman.ca>
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 10:37 AM
Subject: Community Spaces Funding - Federated Co-op

Community Spaces was developed to support projects in the communities across Western Canada in which we live, work and operate. Projects can apply for between \$25,000 and \$150,000 in capital funding in three categories: recreation, environmental conservation, and urban agriculture.

Community Spaces | Co-op

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Norma Will

From: info@destinationbusiness.ca
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2024 1:52 PM
To: info@destinationbusiness.ca
Subject: Destination Business Program - Impacting Small Business in Rural Regions
Attachments: Destination Flyer.pdf

Hello from the Destination Business Program!

Destination Business programming has been making a big impact for rural economies in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, assisting entrepreneurs and/or tourism operators as they **develop their destination potential** and streamline their marketing strategies. Since September 2023, **274 people have attended** our business training, and **96% of survey respondents** said they would **recommend Destination Business sessions** to others!

Have you heard about the Destination Business Program that is being offered by **Community Futures?** Please check it out!

Website: <https://destinationbusiness.ca/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/destinationbusinessprogram>

We ask that you help promote this program to your small business community. We want to ensure that all businesses have access to this programming, most of which is of no cost thanks to funding received from the *Rural Opportunity Fund 2.0*. Please feel free to forward this email to your small businesses and/or print the attached flyer and promote these “big impact” sessions during your Small Business Walks.

If you have any questions or want to discuss the Destination Business Program, please reach out . . . we're excited to help even more businesses enhance their destination potential in 2024!

The Destination Business Team

info@destinationbusiness.ca

The Destination Business Program is an initiative of the Community Futures program in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, funded by the Rural Opportunity Fund 2.0.

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- Hannah Hannah, owner of The High Maintenance Hippie, Warman, SK

For More Info or to Register:
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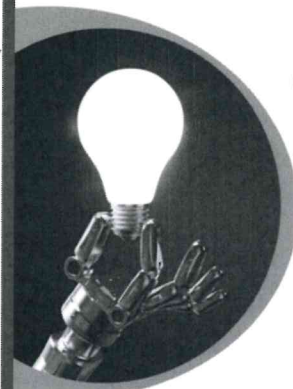
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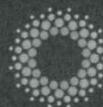
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Joni Swidnicki

From: Mason Froese <mason.froese@cleareresult.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2024 3:06 PM
To: Joni Swidnicki
Subject: Small Business Program- LED Lighting and Insulation Upgrade

Good afternoon Joni,

My name is Mason Froese with Ecofitt Corporation working on the Small Business Program offered through Efficiency Manitoba. This program is aimed at helping small businesses save money on hydro while becoming greener and leveling up the optics of their businesses. Rural Municipalities were deemed eligible within the last year and so far, we have upgraded offices and facilities for over 10 R.M.s in Manitoba.

*What this program offers is an incentive based retrofit upgrade on conversions from most lighting systems (i.e. fluorescent and incandescent) to LED systems for businesses and your municipal buildings within the eligibility criteria for savings of **70% of material and labour**. They also offer some control systems like smart thermostats and occupancy sensors that can be used for bathrooms and changerooms as well as Insulation for attic spaces in businesses.*

We can provide free assessments for the businesses in your community as well as your municipal and town buildings (i.e.. Fire Hall, Community Hall, Municipal Office, and Municipal Shops). These assessments include free energy saving measures such as A-Line bulbs and sink aerators.

Attached is a link to the program info on the Efficiency Manitoba website or you can find it by searching for Efficiency Manitoba's Small Business Program online.

<https://efficiencymb.ca/business/small-business/>

I hope this information looks like something your town can take advantage of and we can help your community save some energy! I will get in touch with you regarding the date of my visit to the area as soon as possible.

Have a great day and I look forward to visiting your community!

Mason Froese

Commercial Sales Technician
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To: Norma Will
Subject: FCM Voice: Upcoming webinars | FCM membership benefits | EDI in municipal climate action | and more



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Webinar: Getting started with biogas & RNG projects

Join FCM and the Canadian Biogas Association for an informative session on *How municipalities can get started with biogas & RNG projects* on January 31, 2024 at 12 p.m. ET. The moderated discussion will include real world municipal projects that demonstrate how incorporating biogas and renewable natural gas (RNG) into municipal waste management systems generates renewable energy, creates new revenue streams and supports local sustainability goals. The session will also look at possible funding streams for municipalities looking to pursue biogas & RNG projects.

» **REGISTER NOW**

NEWS

The many benefits of an FCM membership

Did you know that—in addition to the landmark progress that FCM is securing for communities of all sizes—FCM members also get access to exclusive benefits? These include insightful tools, tips and analysis from our policy, government relations and communications experts as well as valuable networking opportunities and the collective support of thousands of municipal colleagues. Being an FCM member makes your community stronger – and together, we are shaping our future.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT FCM MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS](#)

EVENTS

Unlock the power of AREI+R in municipal climate solutions

Join FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) for an important webinar that will dive into the transformative power of Anti-Racism, Equity, Inclusion and Reconciliation (AREI+R) principles in GMF initiatives. Our panellists will share how GMF is reshaping its climate action approach, ensuring initiatives are not just effective but also equitable, addressing the diverse needs of every community member.

Register for *Shaping the future: Integrating AREI+R in the GMF initiatives*, on January 25, 2024, from 1-2 p.m. ET and become a catalyst for change. Help shape a future where sustainability seamlessly aligns with social justice.

» [SIGN UP HERE](#)

RESOURCES

Resource: 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

» [GET STARTED TODAY](#)

Your roadmap to emission reductions with GMF's Community Buildings Retrofit

As municipalities manage a vast portfolio of community structures, it can be challenging to plan and prioritize GHG reduction measures that will make the biggest impact while still being affordable. Our guide, *Planning an emissions reduction pathway for community buildings*, provides five actionable steps to help you get started.

Discover how GMF's Community Buildings Retrofit initiative can guide you, as a municipality, towards adopting straightforward and cost-effective sustainable building practices.

» [READ THE GUIDE](#)

New tools to implement asset management in your municipality

Your municipality has developed a strategic Asset Management Policy and Asset Management Plan. What comes next and how can you move from planning to practice?

Check out our video, case study & checklist to learn how to embed asset management perspectives into your municipality's daily operations.

» [ACCESS THE TOOLS TODAY](#)

Raising the bar on community housing retrofits

A social housing provider transformed a 50-year-old apartment tower including 146 units of affordable housing into a landmark building with state-of-the-art performance in energy, health, comfort and accessibility. The units were designed for a changing climate and resulted in a 94% reduction of GHG.

CityHousing Hamilton's 500 MacNab—the Ken Soble Tower passive house retrofit is a winner of the affordable housing retrofit category of FCM's 2022 Sustainable Communities Awards.

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FCM TWEETS

Jan 10: From water and wastewater, reliable transit and transportation infrastructure, natural spaces and community amenities, public infrastructure is the foundation for a high quality of life for Canadians. Ahead of #Budget2024, FCM is

Jan 11: Canada's housing challenge is also an infrastructure challenge. We cannot build new housing without putting in place the municipal water, wastewater, transportation and community infrastructure that provides

Jan 12: Welcome news for Guelph as the federal gov't announces funding to help remove barriers and fast-track nearly 750 homes over the next 3 years.

The Housing Accelerator Fund is one important tool that #CDNMuni across the

calling for significant investments in core infrastructure, including doubling the Canada Community Building Fund. More: <https://t.co/O6J8x7AZ97>

the critical foundation for Canadians' quality of life. FCM is calling for a new Municipal Growth Framework that better aligns municipal revenue with economic growth and population growth and will help fund these infrastructure needs. More here: <https://t.co/Pz1T6TPYfF>

country are accessing to increase housing supply and affordability.

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Gear up for AC2024 registration opening

Get ready for FCM's members' most anticipated event of the year! **Registration for *Redefining our future*, FCM's 2024 Annual Conference and Trade Show, will officially launch on February 13, 2024.**

Stay tuned for more information about our impressive lineup of study tours, travel and accommodations, program details and other exciting news in the coming weeks. We can't wait to see you in Calgary, June 6 to 9, as you connect and engage in conversations about the most pressing issues facing municipalities across the country.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT AC2024](#)



Municipal Trailblazers is FCM's biweekly spotlight on exceptional leaders, professionals and individuals who are making outstanding contributions to Canadian communities. We are back with a new set of trailblazers to kick off 2024!

Mike Yargeau

Mike Yargeau was elected as mayor of the small, western Alberta town of Penhold 2017, becoming one of the province's youngest mayors. Since then, he has led the community he grew up in with passion and patience. His steady leadership has won praise from his municipal colleagues and he was awarded the Alberta Municipalities Award of Excellence in 2022. His commitment to communication is especially evident during council meetings, when he provides Q&A sessions to further community engagement. Mayor Yargeau helps organize a regular charity mini-marathon and is a regular at seasonal community events around Penhold. He remains focused on continuing to expand recreational and commercial development in the municipality over the coming years.

Frédéric Broué

Frédéric Broué was elected mayor of the town of St. Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts in 2021, a picturesque community nestled in the Laurentian mountains north of Montreal. First being elected as a councillor in 2017, since being elected mayor he has identified fostering a strong relationship between municipal staff and residents as being vital. During his tenure, the town has moved forward with significant new sporting and recreation facilities and adopting a master plan for its extensive hiking trails. As the community felt the impact of flooding and extreme weather this past year, Mayor Broué was on the frontlines, leading with creativity and commitment. This includes his collaboration with other Quebec mayors and adding his voice to that concentrated push on housing, infrastructure, climate and public transit by signing the Call for Mayors in Action.

» [SUBMIT YOUR OWN CANDIDATE FOR MUNICIPAL TRAILBLAZER](#)

EVENTS

Collective webinar: Get started with biogas & RNG projects

Learn how your municipality can get started with biogas & RNG during the next FCM Collective webinar on January 31, 2024 at 12 p.m. ET. This moderated discussion will feature speakers Jennifer Green, Executive Director of the Canadian Biogas Association, Michael Cant, Principal at GHD, Indra Maharjan, Director of Corporate Facilities, Energy and Infrastructure with the City of Hamilton, and Ben Henderson, former city councillor and former GMF Chair, from the City Edmonton. This webinar is presented in partnership with the Canadian Biogas Association.

» [REGISTER NOW](#)

Building equitable and sustainable communities with AREI+R

Confront climate change with equity and inclusivity at our next GMF webinar. On January 25, 2024 from 1 to 2 p.m. ET, join us for *Shaping the future: Integrating Anti-racism, Equity and Inclusion and Reconciliation (AREI+R) in GMF initiatives*. This session, integral to our 2023-26 Three-Year Plan, addresses how environmental strategies can be both innovative and just. Don't miss this chance to contribute to a sustainable, equitable future.

» [IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER](#)

Municipalities as 2SLGBTQI+ allies

We invite you to join us on January 30, 2024 at 1 p.m. ET to learn how municipalities can implement initiatives that promote inclusivity, with a focus on the specific needs of 2SLGBTQIA+ community members. The panelists will share best practices in inclusive policies and how municipalities can facilitate networking opportunities between municipal representatives, 2SLGBTQI+ organizations, and local activists.

» [SIGN UP TO LEARN MORE](#)

RESOURCES

An innovative path toward net-zero homes

In 2022, the City of Ottawa successfully leveraged private-sector investment to secure the expansion of an extremely popular financing program that helps homeowners undertake energy-efficiency upgrades and renewable energy installations.

The Better Homes Ottawa Loan Program launched in 2021 with support from GMF's Community Efficiency Financing (CEF) initiative. Anticipating a high program uptake, the City then partnered with Vancity Community Investment Bank in an innovative private-sector funding model.

» [READ THE FULL CASE STUDY](#)

Strengthen your asset management practices today

"FCM provides good resources to help you get started in your asset management journey. The asset management resource library contains a wealth of information on all aspects of asset management." - Renee Klimosko, General Manager, Financial and Corporate Services, Leduc County

Check out our asset management resource library. You'll find over 100 guides, tools, templates and more designed to help you make better decisions about maintaining, replacing and repairing municipal infrastructure. With the help of these resources, you'll be better positioned to ensure safe and reliable delivery of services to your residents.

» VISIT OUR RESOURCE LIBRARY TODAY

Guide: Climate action in small and rural communities

Ready to take action on climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in your small or rural community? Check out *the Small and Rural Communities Climate Action Guidebook*, produced by the Partners for Climate Protection program, delivered by FCM and ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability. Developed specifically with the needs of small and rural communities in mind, this guidebook can help your community overcome challenges related to finances or staffing, reduce emissions and improve resident health.

» READ THE GUIDE TO LEARN MORE

FCM TWEETS

Jan 17: The cost of the municipal infrastructure required to support new housing is in the range of \$107,000 per home.

Municipalities cannot fund this alone. That's why FCM is calling for a new Municipal Growth Framework that ties municipal revenue with economic and population growth.

More:
<https://t.co/Pz1T6TPYfF>

Jan 21: Ahead of #Budget2024, FCM is calling on the federal government to double the Canada Community Building Fund and work with #CDNmuni on the next generation of infrastructure funding.

Learn more:
<https://t.co/pdVKDQMJ2L>

Jan 22: Rates of auto theft in Canada have reached a crisis level and are significantly impacting public safety in our cities. FCM looks forward to continued work with the federal govt on this issue, in collaboration with all orders of government, law enforcement agencies, and industry partners.

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Submit your nomination for FCM's Municipal Trailblazers

Beat the winter blues and brighten someone's day by submitting your FCM Municipal Trailblazers nomination today.

Municipal Trailblazers is a member-driven nomination-based initiative that celebrates the achievements of our local leaders. It is an exceptional opportunity to have the successes of your local community showcased across FCM's regular communications such as our FCM Voice, in our speeches and publications as well as across our social media accounts.

At a time when positive change is needed more than ever, we believe it's important to recognize the incredible work of those who are dedicating their time, effort and passion to improving their communities.

Do you know an exceptional local leader who is improving their community? Let us know today!

» [SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION NOW](#)

NEWS

Deadline approaching: Sustainability experts wanted to become peer reviewers

FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) is looking for technical and financial experts to serve as peer reviewers to evaluate funding applications for plans, studies and projects – specifically, municipal employee or elected official with experience in the climate adaptation, sustainable affordable housing, community efficiency financing, and community building retrofits sectors. The application deadline is Sunday, February 4, 2024, midnight, ET.

GMF values diversity and actively encourages individuals from all backgrounds and communities to apply. Peer reviewers receive professional fees for their services and a flexible schedule.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ROLE](#)

RESOURCES

How to get started with energy monitoring

Take control of your energy costs and reduce emissions with a Building Energy Monitoring System (BEMS). With almost real-time energy usage data, a BEMS allows building operators to identify and fix issues promptly, save energy costs, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, it helps building operators understand where energy use might be a problem and could be improved. Don't wait! Start monitoring your energy use and make a positive impact today.

» [DOWNLOAD OUR FACTSHEET TO LEARN MORE](#)

Upgrade your community buildings with a GHG Reduction Pathway approach

Is your community looking to upgrade aging community buildings, like arenas, pools, and recreation centers, but unsure of where to begin? The Green Municipal Fund's Community Buildings Retrofit (CBR) initiative supports Canadian municipalities in retrofitting public buildings and significantly reducing GHG emissions while extending the life cycle of community assets.

To help you get started, this short video describes the available funding and measures involved in CBR's GHG Reduction Pathway approach, which can achieve up to 80% GHG reductions within 20 years.

» [WATCH THE VIDEO](#)

Changes to municipal fleet save money and lower emissions

Analyzing their fleet of vehicles revealed more opportunities to lower costs and emissions than the City of North Battleford, SK, expected. The study, conducted by Fleet Challenge Canada with funding from FCM's Green Municipal Fund, looked at reducing the fleet size and also uncovered ways to improve record-keeping and vehicle management. Using fewer vehicles more efficiently and purchasing electric or hybrid when replacing vehicles is helping the City cut costs and GHGs.

» [READ THE CASE STUDY](#)

FCM IN THE NEWS

FCM, municipalities, and their priorities in the news this week

FCM is a tireless advocate for policies and programs that help solve challenges facing our communities. Our advocacy work on behalf of municipalities is leading to extensive media coverage, an indicator of the relevance and impact of our efforts.

We're happy to announce that we will be sharing a weekly roundup of news stories related to our mandate, accomplishments, and advocacy.

This week's highlights:

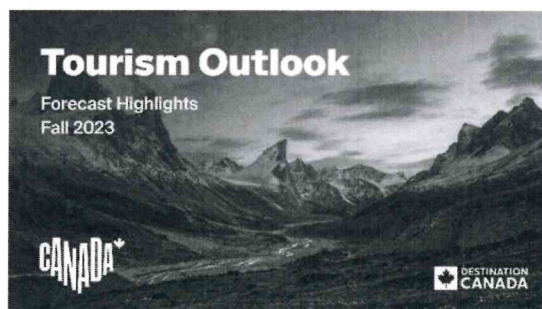
- FCM driven by impactful 2023, but busy times ahead | [Municipal World](#)
- Federal funds of \$9.4M support net-zero fire station build in Peterborough, Ont. | [Global News](#)
- Town of Ajax to receive over \$20M from federal government | [Global News](#)
- \$10M in federal funds for multi-unit housing in Fredericton | [CBC News](#)
- Ontario municipalities push for frank talk about who pays for what | [The Canadian Press](#)

» [DOWNLOAD THE FULL TEXT OF THESE ARTICLES](#)

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Tourism Outlook: Unlocking Opportunities for the Sector

Last month, Destination Canada released its latest Tourism Outlook: Unlocking Opportunities for the Sector, showing total tourism revenue is set to exceed 2019 levels, generating \$109.5 billion by the end of 2023. This represents the recovery of the



tourism sector from the COVID-19 pandemic, one year earlier than projected.

» [DOWNLOAD THE FULL REPORT](#)

FCM TWEETS

Jan 24: NEW from @MunicipalWorld + FCM CEO @CaroleSaab: FCM driven by impactful 2023, but busy times ahead

<https://t.co/BwpleyFUcN>

Read how FCM and its members are working hard to tackle Canada's biggest challenges, and how 2024 is shaping up to be another pivotal year for FCM and communities across Canada.

Jan 24: Municipal leaders deliver concrete results every single day. By working together through FCM, we're making progress.

- More opportunities & jobs.
- More equity & resilience.
- A better quality of life in #CDNmuni of all sizes.

Join FCM today:
<https://fcm.ca/membership>

Jan 29: Are you looking to improve your municipality's allyship to 2SLGBTQI+ communities? Join us tomorrow with @FaeJohnstone, MSW, and Ariel Troster, City Councillor for Somerset Ward in Ottawa, ON, as they share best practices you can leverage to accomplish this important goal. Register today:
<https://t.co/vpkhpemBIW>

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February 5, 2024



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Explore Calgary: FCM's 2024 Annual Conference and Trade Show

FCM members' most eagerly awaited event of the year is just around the corner! Registration for FCM's 2024 Annual Conference and Trade Show will open in the coming weeks. Be sure to visit our AC 2024 website to start planning your attendance today.

Explore our selection of 37 study tours, giving you the chance to step out of the conference centre and gain hands-on learning experiences across the city of Calgary. Delegates can register for one study tour at the time of registration. Stay tuned for more AC 2024 details, including detailed program and accommodation information.

» EXPLORE OUR AC2024 STUDY TOURS

RESOURCES

New insights on municipal collaboration

Are you curious about the benefits of collaborating on asset management within your municipality or with neighbouring communities?

Read our new report, *Asset Management Insights: Municipal Collaboration*. You'll discover how collaboration around asset management is accelerating municipal innovation, skill development and increasing internal project capacity as well as cost savings.

» [READ OUR NEW REPORT TODAY](#)

Bookmark our Community Efficiency Financing resource library

Explore a variety of tools and resources that aim to help municipalities design or scale up local financing programs for home-energy upgrades. You'll find guidance for designing PACE and other efficiency financing programs, best practices for integrating equity into financing plans, a list of local programs across Canada, and more.

» [CONSULT THE CEF RESOURCE LIBRARY](#)

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This week's highlights:

- Ottawa to offer universities, colleges low-cost loans to build new student housing | [The Canadian Press](#)
- Unique 2023 sets up Manitoba municipalities for 2024 success | [Municipal World](#)
- Regina city council passes development bylaws, clearing way for \$36M in federal funding | [CBC News Saskatchewan](#)
- Leduc revamping zoning bylaws to match population boom | [CBC News Edmonton](#)
- Stepping Stone in Guelph to add more shelter beds and transitional housing | [Global News](#)
- Dover mayor wins world award | [CJON-DT \(NTV\)](#)
- Wastewater treatment pilot project moves to Moresby Pond | [The Northern View](#)

- Municipal Infrastructure cannot wait | UMQ.qc.ca / La Presse (coverage of GMF funding announcement in March 2023) (Text in French only)

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CORPORATE PARTNER

Support youth mental health in your community with Y Mind

Youth report the lowest levels of mental health, yet help is not easy to find. Early intervention leads to healthier outcomes and decreased costs in the long run. The YMCA's Y Mind Program is an evidence-based, free program for youth 13-30 experiencing mild to moderate anxiety, providing youth with the right help, at the right time in their lives. Join us in addressing this urgent issue.



» VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT Y MIND

FCM TWEETS

Jan 31: Federal government pledges more money to help with refugee housing crisis:
<https://t.co/HSns17Z5vS>

Encouraging to see this federal investment in helping communities address housing needs associated with the current influx of refugees and asylum seekers in Canada's cities. Municipalities rely on an outdated funding model while facing increased challenges and responsibilities that strain shelter systems – a modernized fiscal framework would help ease this burden.

Feb 1: February is #BlackHistoryMonth and we will be featuring key moments in Canadian municipal history impacting Black people and people of African descent. We continue to be committed to fighting anti-Black racism, both within our organization and in communities across Canada.

As part of FCM's commitment to ending anti-Black racism, we've implemented changes at the Board and staff levels, including continued work with antiracism and equity committees, providing ongoing training to staff and leadership and establishing

Feb 2: FCM President @MayorScotty shares the names of FCM's new Municipal Trailblazers. Shout-out to @duanenicol of @cityofselkirk Lac-Tremblant-Nord mayor Kimberly Meyer; @gbtownship's Jennifer Schnier; Saint-Quentin mayor Nicole Somers; Sue Wood of @SalmonArmBC Saint-Thuribe mayor Jacques Delisle; Mike Yargeau, mayor of @TownofPenhold and Frédéric Broué, mayor of Sainte-Agathe-des-Monts.
<https://t.co/HMGunZhJrd>

Congratulations to each of you and thank you for the

We look forward to seeing further details on today's announcement. #CDNmuni #CdnPoli

systems review processes. #BHM2024

extraordinary work you do for your communities!

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From: FCM Communique <communique@fcm.ca>
Sent: Monday, February 12, 2024 2:55 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: FCM Voice: New GMF funding | Municipal Trailblazers | Combatting auto-theft | and more

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February 12, 2024



FCM VOICE
Canada's voice of local government



Available now: New funding from FCM's Green Municipal Fund

FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) has redesigned its funding to better serve Canadian municipalities. For over 20 years, GMF's long-standing funding offer, an endowment by the Government of Canada, has helped municipalities switch to sustainable practices faster. Now, we aim to further enhance the quality of life for people in Canada by accelerating a transformation to resilient, net-zero communities.

Funding is available no matter what stage of development you're at and GMF advisors can help you prepare the strongest application possible. With this stackable funding you can cut emissions, build resilient infrastructure, reduce waste and support a net-zero Canada by 2050. Create local change that has a national impact.

» EXPLORE THE NEW FUNDING TODAY



Congratulations to this week's Municipal Trailblazers!

Municipal Trailblazers is FCM's biweekly spotlight on exceptional leaders, professionals and individuals who are making outstanding contributions to Canadian communities. Below, we have new set of trailblazers to share for early February 2024.

Christine Vigneault

Christine Vigneault is Manager Development Services / Secretary Treasurer to the Committee of Adjustment for the city of Vaughan ON. Christine's public service journey began more than 16 years ago in the city of Port Hope. Led by her passion for public service, she progressed to a role with Richmond Hill, before joining the team in the neighboring city of Vaughan. Her work in Vaughan has been invaluable as she helps to improve service delivery times and staff time management in this vibrant and fast-growing community. Beyond her daily role, Christine has contributed to the education and training of municipal leaders in her voluntary work with the Board of the Ontario Association of Committees of Adjustment & Consent Authorities (OACA). Her colleagues deeply appreciate her efforts and insight.

Tony Keats

As mayor of Dover, NL, Tony Keats was awarded the 2023 World Mayor Community Award on January 30. Chosen from a list of global candidates, Mayor Keats is a life-long resident of the small coastal town of Dover, located on the western shores of Newfoundland's Bonavista Bay. His exceptional record of community service spans over 30 years and includes being Past President of Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador, championing the local region's much-needed Family Resource Centres, organizing community events, serving as a local postmaster and tirelessly supporting the local economy and touristic appeal of the town. Mayor Keats is a founding member of the Dover Fault Committee, the Dover Tidy Towns Committee and has served on FCM's Board of Directors. His imagination and focus serves as an exceptional example for community leaders across Canada and beyond.

» **SUBMIT YOUR OWN CANDIDATE FOR MUNICIPAL TRAILBLAZER**

NEWS

FCM attends National Summit on Combatting Auto-Theft

With a vehicle now stolen in Canada every five minutes, auto-theft linked to organized crime is a growing issue in many municipalities. In this context, FCM members and staff attended the first National Summit on Combatting Auto-Theft on February 8 in Ottawa ON.

Taking place after \$28 million in new federal funding for the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) was announced to help prevent stolen vehicle exportation, the summit brought together federal ministers and agencies, law enforcement, municipalities, and other stakeholders to explore new strategies to tackle this issue. In December, FCM's Big City Mayors' Caucus called for further federal support for law enforcement, CBSA inspection capacity, and anti-theft technology in new vehicles to help curb auto-theft numbers.

Now, FCM's Standing Committee on Community Safety and Crime Prevention is set to actively consider adopting new recommendations at FCM's upcoming board meeting in Prince George, BC on March 5-7. FCM stands ready to facilitate the municipal portion of a national response to this growing issue.

Renew your FCM membership today!

Have you renewed your 2024-2025 FCM membership? Now is the time to do so to unlock the many benefits that come with being an FCM member.

Now more than ever, Canadian municipalities are on the frontlines of our country's most pressing challenges. Our voice grows stronger with each member, amplifying our influence and driving much-needed change. In this unique moment where FCM is championing a new Municipal Growth Framework, the strength of our collective voice has never been so important.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT AN FCM MEMBERSHIP](#)

Closure of intake for Rural Transit Solutions Fund's Capital Projects Stream

The Capital Projects stream under the Rural Transit Solutions Fund (RTSF) will close on Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. ET. Infrastructure Canada will continue to accept applications for the Planning and Design Projects stream on a continuous basis and no closing date has been announced. Applicants can submit their application through Infrastructure Canada's Applicant Portal.

Any inquiries related to the RTSF may be submitted to rtsf-fstcr@infcc.gc.ca or 1-833-699-2280 (toll free).

EVENTS

Webinar: Discover the benefits of GMF's updated climate funding

FCM's Green Municipal Fund has recently updated its energy, transportation and waste funding offers to help communities like yours complete local projects that upgrade infrastructure, reduce GHG emissions and improve residents' quality of life. Join us on February 22, 2024 at 1 p.m. ET for a free webinar detailing the new funding, including how to apply. By participating, you will:

- Learn about the new changes to GMF funding
- Increase your understanding about the types of projects GMF supports

- Discover the multiple co-benefits municipalities experience by completing projects with GMF funding
- Have the opportunity to discuss local climate priorities with GMF staff

» SIGN UP TODAY

RESOURCES

Visit GMF's Learning Centre to access more resources

FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) understands the strength of collaboration and the power of shared experiences. GMF's Learning Centre connects you with a network of Canadian communities facing similar challenges, enabling you to learn from their knowledge and replicate those outcomes in your local context. GMF has championed over 2,100 projects, accumulating valuable insights, proven solutions, and best practices. Discover our accessible products and support, how they align with GMF funding, and how they are adaptable to your local context.

» ACCESS GMF'S LEARNING CENTRE TODAY

Using asset management plans to support energy reduction goals

Municipalities can achieve cost savings while improving the performance and resilience of infrastructure assets by integrating energy and carbon reduction into asset management planning.

The Green Municipal Fund's newest Community Buildings Retrofit guide defines asset management planning, summarizes the benefits of integrating energy and carbon reduction into asset management planning, provides key steps in achieving this and offers a list of useful resources.

» READ THE 4-PAGE GUIDE TODAY

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- [Freeland announces \\$199 million in support for low-income renters, shelters | The Canadian Press](#)
- [Regina quietly announces \\$35 million in federal housing funds | CBC News](#)

- [Ottawa and Charlottetown reach agreement to fast-track 100 new homes a year](#) | CBC News
- [New transitional housing units in Ottawa to help 170 unsheltered families](#) | CityNews (Ottawa)
- [Historic zoning changes could transform B.C.'s housing landscape](#) | CityNews (Vancouver)
- [North Bay social services budget being increased to address homelessness, paramedic services](#) | CTV News

Text below in French only:

- [La Pocatière wants to redouble its efforts on housing](#) | ICI Radio Canada (Bas-Saint-Laurent)
- [Trois-Rivières dedicates an important part of its budget to culture and leisure](#) | ICI Radio Canada (Mauricie-Centre-du-Québec)
- [A large building to house homeless people inaugurated](#) (Montréal) | TVA Nouvelles

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CORPORATE PARTNER

Help improve connectivity in Canadian municipalities

Canadians in both rural and urban areas deserve access to high-quality internet. CIRA's Internet Performance Test can help municipalities heatmap connectivity levels and determine where broadband upgrades are needed in their community—down to the household level.



» [LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW MUNICIPALITIES CAN WITH CIRA](#)

FCM TWEETS

Feb 8: A car is stolen every 5 minutes in Canada.

Municipal leaders are concerned by this inflated rate of auto theft, which negatively impacts the safety, security and well-being of residents and signals the presence of organized crime in our communities.

Feb 9: Big day for HAF announcements!

Residents in @ChtownPE @CityofRegina @GreaterSudbury and @cityofcoquitlam can expect more housing to be built in their cities thanks to local action and federal investment through the Housing Accelerator Fund.

Feb 9: We're excited to share that registration for FCM's 2024 Annual Conference and Trade Show will open Tuesday, Feb 13! Join us in @CityofCalgary, June 6-9, as we connect #CDNMuni leaders with the ideas, tools and insights to build thriving communities, now and in

Today, FCM members
@stephaneboyer_
@patrickbrownont
@Val_Plante
and staff attended the
National Summit on
Combatting Auto Theft, and
we stand ready to facilitate
the municipal portion of a
national response.

Across the country,
#CDNMuni are working with
all orders of govt to increase
the right kinds of housing
supply for their
communities.

the future. <https://fcm.ca/ac>
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We understand the importance of security, aesthetics, and functionality when it comes to fencing solutions. With multiple years of experience in the industry we take pride in delivering high-quality fencing services tailored to our clients' unique needs.

I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss how Guardian Fencing Ltd. can meet and exceed your fencing needs. Whether you require a new installation, repair, or maintenance services, we are ready to provide a personalized solution.

Please let me know a convenient time for a meeting, either in person or virtually, to further explore how our expertise can benefit your business. Thank you for considering Guardian Fencing Ltd., and I look forward to the possibility of working together.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Liam Hammersley', with a stylized, looped flourish at the end.

Liam Hammersley
Project Manager/Estimator

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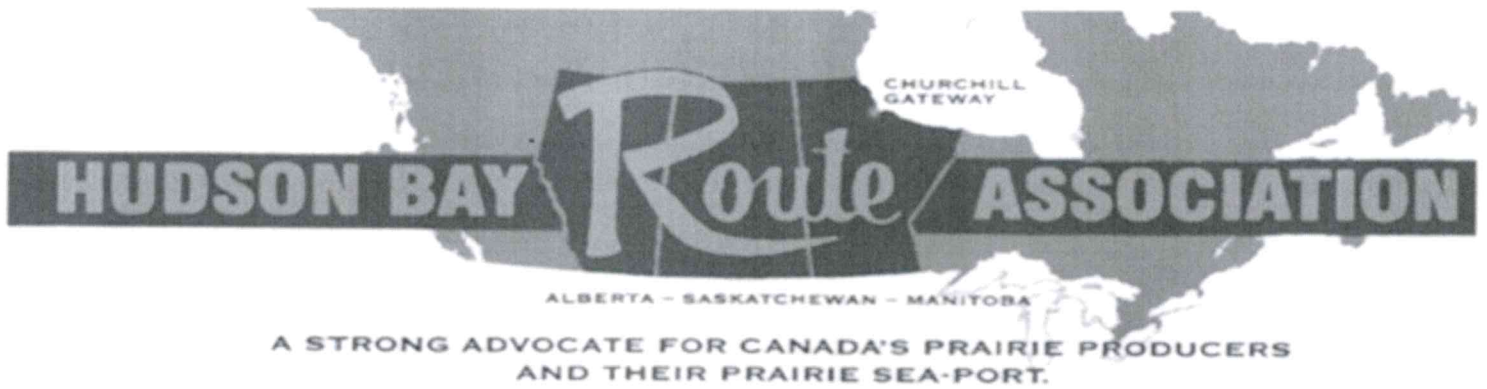
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JANUARY 2024

ANNUAL REPORT

A YEAR OF SUCCESS

As the Hudson Bay Route Association welcomes in the new year, we want to share some of the successes throughout 2023! With a large amount of investment and increased visibility for both the Port and Rail, we believe that the opportunities and consistency will only become better in 2024!

Here are some of the major updates:

- 1. Arctic Gateway Group has committed to moving 20,000 tonnes of zinc this year
- 2. Resupply ships for Nunavut have begun increasing utilization of the Port
- 3. Rail Replacement and Repair projected for full operation in 2025-2026
- 4. Manitoba now referred to as a maritime province by Current Premier of Manitoba Wab Kinew

These are but a few of the major achievements with the Rail Line and Port! We, the HBRA, would also like to highlight a few more successes for both our organization and the region.



PHOTO CREDIT: ARTIC GATEWAY GROUP

IT'S WHAT WE DO

- ARTICULATE THE ECONOMIC AND STRATEGIC BENEFITS OF THE HUDSON BAY ROUTE AND ITS GREAT VALUE TO WESTERN CANADA.
- WORK WITH POLICY MAKERS TO FURTHER DEVELOP PRAIRIE PORTS AND RAILWAY.
- PROMOTE AWARENESS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF CONTINUED AND INCREASED USE OF THE HUDSON BAY ROUTE AND THE PORT OF CHURCHILL.
- ADVANCE AND IMPROVE SERVICES, INDUSTRY, AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN CANADA'S NORTHLAND THROUGH THE INCREASED USE OF THE HUDSON BAY RAILWAY AND THE PORT OF CHURCHILL.

BECOME A PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER!



The HBRA attended the North American Shortline Conference in Chicago, where opportunities to bolster shortline distribution movements were discussed. This conference really showcased the many intricacies of the CNR system. The conference focused on enhancement of commodity movement, including critical minerals and grain, from small/medium sized railways to the larger railway networks and the ability to capitalize on the opportunities available within the current system.



Preliminary meetings were held with the Artic Gateway and stakeholder groups throughout the year to discuss how the use of the railway and port can benefit their industries. Discussions also included grain companies which has made us very optimistic about the opportunities for the railway and port moving forward.

The HBRA President Jim Berscheid attended the Deputy Ministers Dinner which focused on bringing "... together business and community leaders to connect directly to action drivers in the Manitoba Government, the Deputy Ministers

Did you know that we are actually celebrating our 100th year anniversary? Prior to the creation of the Hudson Bay Route Association, the association was called On the Bay, advocating for the same considerations for 20 years. We are excited for the upcoming AGM and invite members to partake in insightful discussion and opportunities for networking. There will be guest speakers presenting on some exciting topics and panels to answer any questions you may have about the port and the future direction of the railway.

ADVOCATING FOR THE PRAIRIE PRODUCERS AND THE PRAIRIE SEAPORT





THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

WE AMPLIFY
THE VOICES OF
FIRST NATIONS,
MUNICIPALITIES
AND ALL OUR
MEMBERS

In closing, we are proud of the Association's work and look forward to your ongoing support and loyalty to the Hudson Bay Route Association. Together we can see the success of our local port and rail come to fruition! Memberships and additional information are detailed in the accompanied attachment for anyone interested. Please take a moment to appreciate the pivotal moments and pictures attached. For those who are keenly interested, more pictures and information can be found at hbra.ca.

Best Regards,

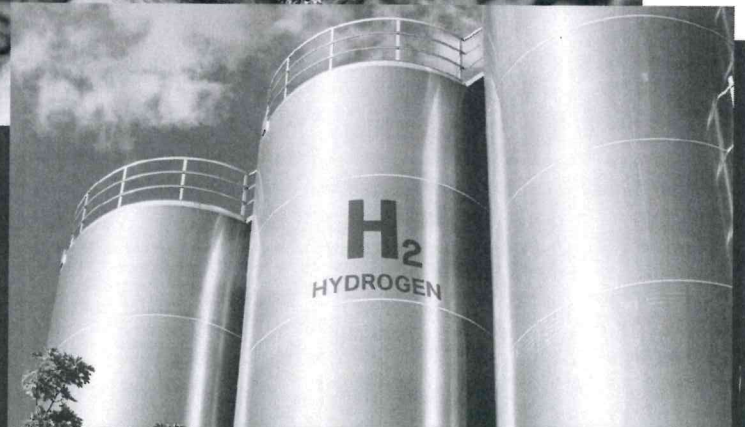
Jim Berscheid
President
Hudson Bay Route Association

The pictures included are showing some of the progress that has been made in the port.

For more information, please see our website hbra.ca



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A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR CANADA'S PRAIRIE PRODUCERS AND THEIR PRAIRIE SEA-PORT.

BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2024

AS ALWAYS, YOUR SUPPORT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO HBRA'S ONGOING ENDEAVOURS TO PUT CHURCHILL AT THE FOREFRONT AS A MAJOR ARCTIC SHIPPING PORT. THE MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE FOR 2024 IS AS FOLLOWS:

- RM'S, CITIES, FIRST NATION, CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS..... \$300.00 PER YEAR
- SMALL TOWNS..... - \$100.00 PER YEAR
- VILLAGES.....- \$50.00 PER YEAR
- INDIVIDUAL.....- \$20.00 PER YEAR

INTERAC E-TRANSFERS ARE WELCOME AND MAY BE SENT TO PAYMENTS@HBRA.CA

UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE HBRA.CA, BY EMAIL AT INFO@HBRA.CA, OR BY CALLING JIM BERSCHIED, OUR PRESIDENT AT 1-204-623-0393.

PLEASE NOTE, OUR MAILING ADDRESS HAS CHANGED. PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHEQUES TO:

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IF YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING OUR ASSOCIATION, A DONATION/SPONSORSHIP WOULD BE VERY WELCOMED. PLEASE USE THE SAME REMITTANCE METHODS AS ABOVE AND PUT THE WORD DONATION IN THE MESSAGE SO THAT WE MAY ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT.



February 1, 2024

Rural Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa
PO Box 278
Wawanesa, MB
R0K 2G0

Dear Rural Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa,

First responders and health care workers provide a critical service for our communities in Westman, but sometimes they face violence and harassment in the line of duty. This isn't right, so Conservatives are taking action by giving our frontline heroes a legal mechanism to deter the violence they face on the job.

Bill C-321, introduced by my Conservative colleague Todd Doherty, is a common sense bill that will "require a court to consider the fact that the victim of an assault is a person who provides health services or a first responder to be an aggravating circumstance for the purposes of sentencing."

In 2023, a pan-Canadian survey of nurses found that two-thirds reported incidents of physical assaults over the past year and 40% of those nurses reported physical abuse more than once a month while engaged in their duties. This is unacceptable and it demonstrates why more must be done to deter the violence they face every day.

If we learned one thing from the COVID-19 pandemic, it is that our first responders and healthcare providers are the unsung heroes of Canada. Every day, they wake up and put others before themselves. They deserve to know the law will protect them while they care for us.

If you have any questions about Bill C-321, please do not hesitate to contact my office at Larry.Maguire@parl.gc.ca

Sincerely,

Larry Maguire, MP
Brandon – Souris

Norma Will

From: MB Communities in Bloom <mbcommunitiesinbloom@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 1:00 PM
To: Cathy Shaluk
Subject: Manitoba Communities in Bloom 2024 Program Registration Now Open!
Attachments: 2024 Community Participation Guide.pdf; 2024 mb cib Evaluation Form.pdf; 2024 MB CiB Basic Information.pdf; 2024 MB CIB registration form.pdf



Manitoba

Manitoba Communities in Bloom 2024 Program

The Board of Directors of the Manitoba Communities in Bloom (MB CIB) is proud and excited to announce the return of the MB CIB Provincial Program for 2024.

Since 1995, the MB CIB program has engaged over 70 Manitoba communities in this community development program. The program encourages all sectors of the community to work together to develop best practices to achieve clean, green sustainable communities that celebrate their heritage and unique potential. By participating, they have made a commitment to work toward a sustainable future for their communities.

MB CiB judges tour participating communities providing an evaluation which focuses on beautification, environmental and heritage conservation efforts. The comprehensive evaluation provides specific feedback on community successes and constructive suggestions for challenges that are beneficial to community development. The program is open to all towns, cities and municipalities in Manitoba and is an opportunity to recognize the work of our community volunteers.

The Benefits of participating in Manitoba Communities in Bloom program:

- Increases community involvement and civic pride. Communities have witnessed mobilization of citizens, groups, businesses and municipality working together through program participation
- Promotes excellence and leadership in environmental action such as recycling, composting, water conservation and other climate change mitigation measures which are an integral part of the program evaluation
- Provides opportunities to learn best practices and exchange information with other Manitoba communities and affiliated associations through the Annual Provincial Conference and Awards, newsletters, website and Facebook
- Offers information on grants, funding initiatives and MB CiB sponsor discounts
- Promotes your community visibility provincially and nationally through media, trade shows, conferences and marketing opportunities
- Provides an opportunity to participate in the National Communities in Bloom program

The Board of Directors would like to invite your community to join in the 2024 program. Attached is additional information on the MB CIB Program, a detailed Participation Guide and the 2024 Registration Form.

The Registration deadline for the 2024 program is April 30th.

Regards

Cathy Shaluk
Program Coordinator
Manitoba Communities in Bloom
coordinator@mbcommunitiesinbloom.ca

Norma Will

From: Milan Lukes <milanelukes@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 1:49 PM
Subject: Advertising April Event Poster
Attachments: 8.5 x 11 Inch Poster.png; 8.5 x 11 Inch Poster.pdf

To community centres, municipalities, and select media organizations from across Manitoba:

Attached is an event poster for your review - occurring on April 6, 2024.

This non-profit event is held annually at various localities across the province to promote the hobby and competition of giant pumpkin growing.

If you are able to advertise this event in any form (i.e. bulletin boards, digital displays, etc.) your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

The Manitoba Giant Growers Association (MGGA) is searching across the province for new growers that might be interested, in hopes of breaking the provincial record for the heaviest pumpkin.

Presently, the record for the heaviest pumpkin grown in Manitoba sits at 1,660.5 pounds from Winkler (weighed at the annual Roland Pumpkin Fair).

Manitoba once held the world record for the heaviest pumpkin back in 1976, set in Roland, MB.

If your organization is not interested in advertising or circulating this poster, please disregard this email. Further, if a fee is required for advertising, we are unfortunately unable to fulfill such a request at this time.

Many thanks for any assistance in promoting this event,

-Milan Lukes



MANITOBA GIANT GROWERS ASSOCIATION (MGGA) PRESENTS

GIANT PUMPKIN GROWERS SEMINAR

Learn the intricacies of growing 1,000+ lb. giant pumpkins
and competing in official weigh-offs

Microtel Inn and Suites
5100 Crescent Rd. W., Portage la Prairie

Sat., April 6, 2024
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

SPEAKERS:



Art Cameron

Chairperson, Manitoba Giant
Growers Association (MGGA)



Milan Lukes

2x Winner, Roland Pumpkin Fair



Laverne Wojciechowski

Western Canada Representative,
Great Pumpkin Commonwealth (GPC)

- **Presentations**
 - **Question period**
 - **Free seeds**
 - **Free refreshments**
 - **Free snacks**
 - **Equipment raffle**
- \$2.00 / ticket (cash only)

MGGA Memberships

\$10.00 / individual
\$15.00 / family

ADMISSION

Growers: Membership Fee Required
Others: Donation Optional

Cash only

Contact

Art Cameron
204-343-2314
artcam@mymts.net



February 2024

2024 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

The 2024 Annual Awards Banquet is fast approaching. The winners of the 2023 judging competition will be announced at the Annual Awards Banquet at The Clarion Hotel and Suites in Brandon on Tuesday, April 9, 2024.

Cocktails are at 5:30 P.M. and the banquet starts at 6:00 P.M. The cost of banquet tickets is \$65.00. Banquet ticket order forms will be emailed closer to the date to all municipalities. You can then fax in or email this form and you will be invoiced after the banquet. All tickets are mailed a week prior to the banquet to accommodate for changes. If you do not receive tickets the Friday before the banquet please contact the office.

The winners of the 2022 competition will be receiving a letter in March to return their award **DIRECTLY to Keystone Sports Excellence, 170 Saskatchewan Ave West, Portage la Prairie, MB, R1N 0M1.** **Please do not send the awards until you receive the letter from the office as sending too early may lead to the misplacement of the award.**

In May, nomination forms will be emailed for the 2024 judging competition. It was noted that council may not have the time to look for entries but the grader operators could bring a suggestion to council as they are the ones on the roads every day. This would increase the number of entries in each category which would ensure the competition is a success!

COURSES

The two day Gravel Road Design and Maintenance course is being planned for the spring. It will be held in the RM of Woodlands March 20 & 21, 2024 and the RM of Morris April 3 & 4, 2024. Please watch your email in the next couple weeks for course registrations! If you are interested in hosting this course in the future please contact the MGRA office.

A half day course on Machine Technology Training (yet to be determined) is being planned for April 10, 2024 in conjunction with AMM's convention.

If there are any courses that you would like offered in the future please feel free to call or email the office. If you are interested in hosting a course in your area please let me know!

MGRA Red River Municipal Engineering Technology Scholarship

The winner of the MGRA Scholarship was Ankit Kerai. The award was presented at the Red River campus on December 5, 2023.

The MGRA scholarship is given to a student that resides in Rural Manitoba and has an interest in Roadway Design. This scholarship is a tribute in memory of Robert Kwok, long term Municipal Technology instructor that passed away in October 2008. Robert instructed many courses for MGRA and we thought we would give back to the community in his honor.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Annual General Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at the Clarion Hotel and Suites in Brandon at 3:30 P.M. An agenda will be emailed closer to the date. A draw for a free membership to the MGRA will be made at the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership renewal notices have been emailed to the offices. Our membership is growing constantly each year especially due to the substantial cost benefit when registering for courses!

My personal goal is to acquire ALL municipalities as members to MGRA so I appreciate your continued support in achieving this goal!

If you know of any municipalities that are not members, please talk to them about your experience with being members so they may consider membership!

MGRA Individual Member

Brian Nedohin
Jerry Drobot

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February 9, 2024

Joni Swidnicki
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Estimated Shortfall for PILT - 2023 Payments

The Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) shortfall for your municipality is estimated to be \$115.86 for the 2023 tax year.

Before Manitoba issues a payment for the 2023 PILT shortfall, your municipality must:

1. confirm the accuracy of the estimate, and
2. confirm that 2023 school taxes have been paid in full to school divisions and Manitoba.

These confirmations should be sent from your municipality to mrmaas@gov.mb.ca by no later than February 23, 2024, to ensure payment occurs by March 31, 2024. For any concerns regarding the estimate, please email mrmaas@gov.mb.ca, providing a listing of PILT shortfalls by roll number by no later than **February 23, 2024**. Municipal and Northern Relations will review any concerns before finalizing the payment amount.

Background:

As in previous years, in 2023 the Government of Canada reduced PILT for its properties by a percentage equivalent to the School Tax Rebate that the properties would receive if they were not exempted from taxation. This resulted in a shortfall between the amount billed to, and the payment received from, the federal government by municipalities.

The PILT shortfall for 2023 municipal tax year is estimated using assessment data for all federal properties in Manitoba municipalities. The rebate percentage was 50% for farm and residential properties, and 10% for other/commercial properties.

Sincerely,

Don Hallett
Assistant Deputy Minister

Joni Swidnicki

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Subject: 2024 Local Authority Workshops
Attachments: 2024 Manitoba EMO Local Authority Workshops - Invitation with Agenda.pdf

Hello everyone, if you have not registered for the upcoming 2024 municipal workshops, there is still time. See additional information on how to register below.

You are invited to attend the 2024 Local Authority Workshops hosted by Manitoba Emergency Management Organization (EMO).

As part of Manitoba EMO Preparedness and Response Branch’s commitment to increase the level of engagement with the local authorities, we are pleased to offer these workshops to help support proactive preparedness and response activities that will enhance resiliency in local authority emergency management programs. This year Manitoba EMO will host seven sessions across Manitoba, one of which will be held virtually.

While we anticipate participants will attend the workshop closest to their communities, you may attend any of the workshops that best fits your schedule. To ensure an effective workshop takes place, a minimum of 10 attendees per venue is needed for each in-person session. If this is not achieved, or challenges due to inclement weather, the in-person workshop may be cancelled and Manitoba EMO will communicate with those individuals in advance to register for another workshop date.

Below are the following workshop dates and locations. Note each session will occur between 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Dates:

Date	Location	Venue
February 7, 2024	Russell	George P Buleziul Centre - 106 Shell River Ave
February 8, 2024	Souris	Souris Curling Club - 32 Third Ave W

Who should

attend: Local authority leadership, emergency management program staff and all personnel that are expected to play a role in local authority emergency management.

Cost: There is no registration fee.

Registration: All participants are asked to register for the workshops by sending an email to emo.registrations@gov.mb.ca and include the following:

- Date of workshop you would like to attend
- Name
- Email address and phone number
- Local Authority you are representing

If you chose a virtual workshop, Manitoba EMO will provide each participant with a link to connect to the session.

What to bring: Participants should bring:

- Laptop that is able to connect to WIFI
- Charging cord for laptop
- Notepad and pen

Bob Schkawritka

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This is being sent to all Municipalities and Municipal Emergency Coordinators.

Good afternoon,

You and your team are invited to attend Manitoba Emergency Management Organization's 2024 Local Authority Workshops in February 2024. Please see attached invitation for further details with workshop dates and locations.

Note the in-person workshop spaces are limited. We encourage participants to register early.

Manitoba EMO looks forward to seeing you.

Thank you.



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January 5, 2024

Dear Council Members;

The Manitoba Weed Supervisors Association is holding a one-day seminar on municipal weed control issues. The meeting is being held in the Carberry Community Hall, Carberry, Manitoba on Wednesday March 13, 2024. We would like to invite all municipal elected officials, weed inspectors, weed supervisors and other interested staff to attend.

We are looking to update you on a some of the legislations Weed Districts work under. Including the Noxious Weeds Act, Pesticide Use Permit, and Licencing requirements. We hope this meeting will assist and be informative to everyone. An agenda will be distributed later in February.

The registration for the day is \$105.00, which includes GST and lunch. Please register before March 1, 2024. Please note the address change for payment Box 399, Hartney Mb. Registrations sent to other address' may not be received in a timely manner. We are also asking for a cell phone number of registrants for a contact in case of adverse weather or other last minute issue causing cancellation.

A registration form is attached. For further information contact Michèle Ammeter @ (204) 981-7342 or Andrew Lewis @ (204) 264-0060. More information can also be obtained by email from Michèle at mbweeds.ea@outlook.com.

We hope to see you there!

Mike Dola

President

Manitoba Weed Supervisors Association

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**Important Notice to
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School and Health Related Properties - Property Tax Exemptions

On October 3, 2022 decision by the Court of King's Bench reinterpreted clause 22(1)(d) of The Municipal Assessment Act to exempt school division-owned buildings that are used to support schools. The Court ruled that the legislation's exemption for property for "use of a public school" be given a large and liberal interpretation, considering the wide-ranging supports required for a modern education system. This ruling had the effect of exempting most school ancillary buildings, such as bus garages, counselling properties and resource programming buildings, while leaving buildings used strictly for administration purposes as taxable.

With respect to the Court decision, the Department of Municipal and Northern Relations subsequently exempted properties affected by this ruling for the 2023 assessment rolls, and distributed letters to all affected municipalities advising of changes on impacted properties in January 2023.

Some municipalities have also experienced appeals below a provincial court level on health authority properties based on extending the same logic as within the Court decision for school division properties. The department is currently of the view that there is a distinction between health service and education service delivery models and, until there is a Court ruling otherwise, will maintain the current assessment framework for these properties.

Municipal and Northern Relations continually assesses the fairness and equity of the property assessment and taxation system.

Municipalities with further questions about the court decision and its assessment impacts can contact the Property Assessment Services office at 204-945-0119 or assessment@gov.mb.ca.

*Department of Municipal and Northern Relations
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MUNICIPAL AND NORTHERN RELATIONS

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2024 Aggregate Mining and Transportation: Update to Fees

The Aggregate Mining and Transportation Fees and Agreements Regulation (48/97) under The Municipal Act enables municipalities to pass by-laws to collect fees up to a set level from aggregate operators to offset municipal costs associated with aggregate mining. There is an update to these fees for 2024 to reflect inflationary increases, as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Manitoba in 2023.

Rates effective for 2024 can be found at www.gov.mb.ca/mr/mfas/ by clicking the link titled "2024 Aggregate Mining and Transportation Fees".

The Regulation prescribes a maximum aggregate mining fee based on the tonnage of materials produced by operations as well as an aggregate transportation levy based on tonnage per kilometer of municipal road used. The Regulation requires the Department of Municipal and Northern Relations to update the annual maximum fee levels once the Consumer Price Index data becomes available at the beginning of each calendar year. The Regulation can be viewed at <https://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/annual/2022/112.pdf>.

Municipalities must amend their existing aggregate by-law to charge the increased fees or pass a new by-law to begin collecting fees within these levels.

If you have any questions, please contact a Municipal Services Officer at 204-945-2572 or by email at mrmaas@gov.mb.ca.

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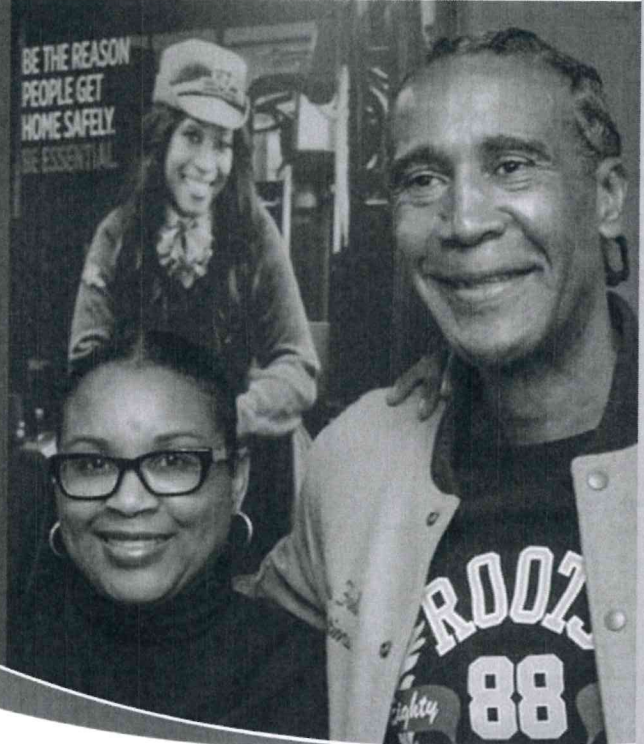
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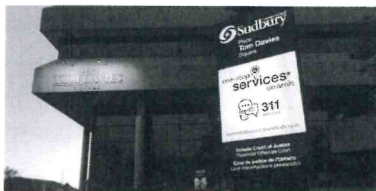
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Black History Month 2024 shines light on excellence

Every February, people across Canada participate in Black History Month events that honour the legacy of Black people in Canada and their communities.



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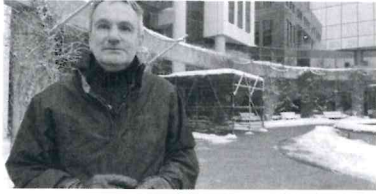


Nova Scotia Premier Tim Houston and the mayor of Cape Breton



As the province's fastest growing city, London is experiencing

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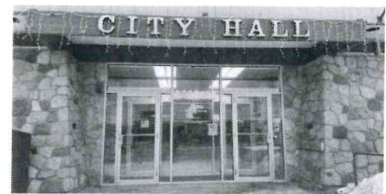
Housing advocates say Moncton's lack of short-term rental legislation is contributing to the dwindling housing supply in Canada's fastest growing city. [Read more...](#)

Regional Municipality have been in a war of words over CBRM's declaration of a local state of emergency. [Read more...](#)

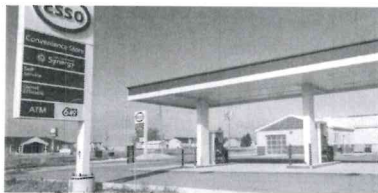


The Municipality of Chatham-Kent is purchasing a handful of properties in the Wheatley evacuation zone, in the wake of a gas explosion in 2021 that injured 20 people. [Read more...](#)

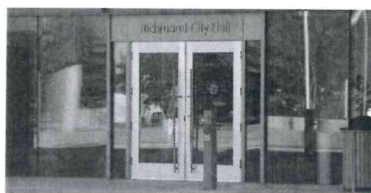
unprecedented demand for new infrastructure and city services, but rising costs and limited revenue sources are putting the squeeze on municipal finances. [Read more...](#)



The City of Whitehorse is considering a ban on mineral mining within city limits. The city is looking at changes to its zoning bylaw to protect groundwater and reduce disturbance for residents. [Read more...](#)



A Strathroy-area business has launched a \$5.2-million lawsuit against two municipalities locked in a years-long dispute over water and sewer service to a key commercial district. [Read more...](#)



Richmond council voted in favour of exploring options for a supervised consumption site at a Monday night meeting. The motion aims to prevent more toxic drug deaths. [Read more...](#)



About two dozen protesters calling for a ceasefire in Gaza disrupted a Kingston city council meeting. The meeting was adjourned before being moved to a boardroom and continuing virtually. [Read more...](#)

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Engineering Project Manager - City of Barrie
Application Deadline: Feb. 12, 2024

Senior Policy Analyst - Bilingual - Ministry Of The Attorney General
Application Deadline: Feb. 16, 2024

Director of Operational Services - Township of Muskoka Lakes
Application Deadline: March 1, 2024

President - Mohawk College
Application Deadline: March 5, 2024

Building Maintenance Supervisor - Hamlet of Kugluktuk
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U.K. group recognizes Dover mayor's community service

Tony Keats, the mayor of Dover, Nfld., has been recognized with the 2023 World Mayor Community Award in honour of his years of public service.

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Doug Herron – Director of Planning & Development, Township of Springwater

"I am honoured to join the team at the Township of Springwater," Herron said. "I look forward to working with staff, council and the residents of the community by contributing to the efforts of delivering, supporting and implementing key planning and development initiatives."

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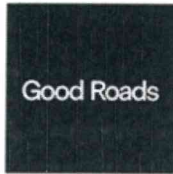
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Good Roads T.J. Mahony Construction course will be available for online learning beginning May. This is your opportunity to take your road maintenance skills to the next level from your office or home. [Read more...](#)

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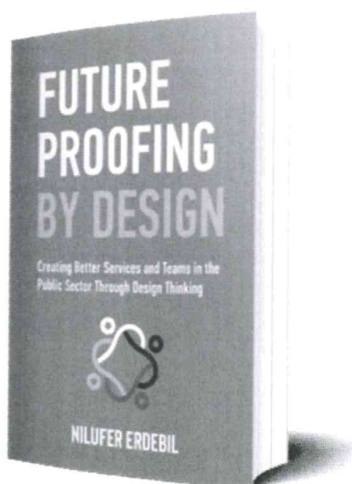
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ROMA 2024 offered up enthusiasm, plenty of conversations

The ROMA 2024 conference saw delegates discuss a number of important topics, but their points were all backed up by what the organization's chair, Robin Jones, calls a fact-based approach.



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Mike Savage, the long-time mayor of the Halifax Regional



The union representing 6,000 Edmonton civic workers says 91



The search for Michael Vagnini has reached a tragic conclusion.

Municipality, has announced he will not be running in the 2024 municipal election. The 63-year-old said 12 years in the job was long enough. [Read more...](#)



per cent of those that cast a ballot are in favour of strike action. Civic Service Union 52 saw 83 per cent of eligible members vote in support of a strike mandate. [Read more...](#)



Greater Sudbury Police said the missing Ward 2 councillor was located deceased a short distance from his vehicle, which was found on Tuesday. [Read more...](#)



The federal government will roll out more than 60 housing agreements with small and rural communities across the country over the next few weeks, Housing Minister Sean Fraser announced. [Read more...](#)

B.C. municipal leaders are gathered in Vancouver to discuss housing, with many concerned that the province is not paying enough attention to the infrastructure and work force required to pull off its supply demands. [Read more...](#)

The Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo council has unanimously approved \$132,068 in funding for fighting homelessness in the region. The money will go toward the 2024-25 Community Plan on Homelessness. [Read more...](#)



A City of Calgary committee has approved new rules for city councillors who work from home. The new rules look to limit the amount of meetings councillors can attend remotely. [Read more...](#)



Richmond city council on Tuesday voted 7-2 to approve a motion that asks health authorities to explore the possibility of a supervised drug consumption site at the city's hospital. [Read more...](#)



Whitehorse developers could get the option to construct taller buildings – as high as 40 metres, or 12 storeys. Council has turned its eye to debate the maximum height in the downtown. [Read more...](#)

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IPAC Specialist (LTCSS) - County of Simcoe

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Manager, Human Rights - City of London

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Director of Finance/Treasurer - Town of Grand Valley

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Transportation System Engineer (two positions) - City of St. John's

Application Deadline: March 10, 2024

Manager of Planning & Development - Municipality of Middlesex Centre

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Vancouver's Chinatown marks Lunar New Year with 50th parade

Feb. 10 marked the start of the Chinese New Year, and this year, more than 100,000 people attended Vancouver's Lunar New Year Parade.

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Sandra Datars Bere – City Manager, City of London

"I am deeply honored and humbled to have been chosen as the new city manager for the City of London," said Datars Bere. "Returning to assume this important role in London, which is my home community, fills me with immense pride and excitement."

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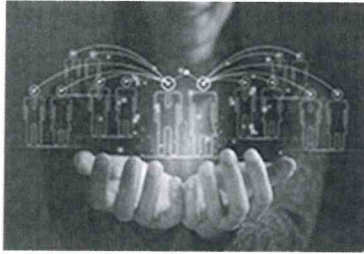
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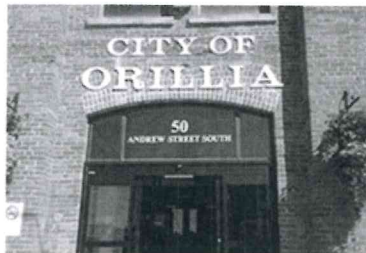
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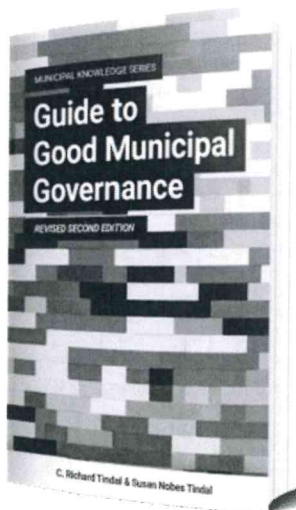
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Dear Community Leaders,

Prairie Mountain Health is updating its distribution lists for community groups in your town/municipality that donate specifically to PMH healthcare facilities, sites, programs, and services. This would include Health Care Foundations, Auxiliaries, Palliative Care groups etc.

We know many areas have Community Foundations not specific to health care but still donate to PMH facilities and areas. We would appreciate those contacts as well.

This list will ensure that when donations are made, appropriate acknowledgement is given through the PMH communication channels such as our website, social media, public newsletter, and other avenues.

If you could provide the organization's name, contact number and email address, that would be much appreciated.

We recognize that many service groups, such as Lions Clubs, Legions, Kinsmen Clubs, etc., often donate and support their local healthcare facilities; however, we do not require their contact information. We wish to recognize these groups and would appreciate you sharing the attached fillable donation form with them. This will allow us to acknowledge their donation and support as well.

All information can be sent to Communications@pmh-mb.ca.

If your community has any questions, please contact Monica Truffyn at Mtruffyn@pmh-mb.ca or 204-578-2319, and I would be happy to answer them.

Thank you for your time,

Monica Truffyn
PMH Communications Coordinator

DONATION INFORMATION FORM

Prairie Mountain Health is grateful for your donation. We want to ensure you are acknowledged for this generosity through our communication channels such as our website, social media, newsletter etc.

We ask you to fill out the form below along with a photo(s) and email to **Communications@pmh-mb.ca**. Thank you.

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Organization Name:

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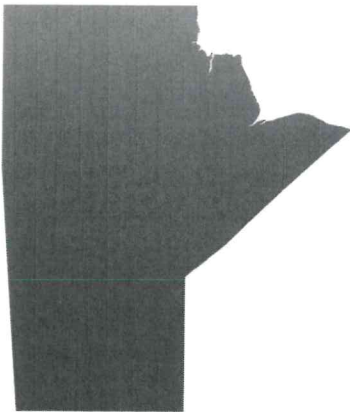
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Subject: The PUB Post - Vol. 4



Welcome to The PUB Post - Vol. 4



PUB Board Members recognize the decisions they make affect every Manitoban, in one way or another.

The PUB regulates and sets rates for public utilities such as electricity, natural gas, basic automobile insurance, and water and wastewater outside of Winnipeg. It would be hard to find a Manitoban who isn't affected by our decisions.

In meeting our mandate to set just and reasonable rates, we balance the impact of rates on ratepayers with the financial health of the utility through a transparent hearing process that holds the public utilities accountable.

Inadequate rates for the utility could result in a decline of a utility's financial position that may affect its ability to provide expected services. The financial impact could change the government's overall financial position and could trigger a downgrade by bond rating agencies which would increase the borrowing costs of the Government of Manitoba.

Excessive rates could slow economic activity as it takes money out of ratepayers' pockets that is not needed by the utility. This causes hardship among ratepayers and could trigger rate shock for lower-income users, especially those who are required to rely on electricity to heat their homes. In Manitoba's cold climate, heating is not a matter of comfort, but of necessity. Water and wastewater services are also necessities, and rates in many communities have gone up much more than any other utility cost.

Bill Affordability and Energy Poverty

Issues relating to 'affordability' are in the news every day, from the cost of groceries to the ability to finance homes and drive a car.

In the last edition of The PUB Post we told readers about the decisions and recommendations the PUB made following Manitoba Hydro's 2023/24 and 2024/25 General Rate Application. In [Board Order 101/23](#), the PUB emphasized its longstanding concern for bill affordability and energy poverty in the context of energy rates, especially given Manitoba's climate, where heating is not a matter of comfort, it is a matter of necessity and safety.

Board Order 101/23 also noted that reconciliation in Manitoba cannot take place without acknowledging that northern First Nations disproportionately bear the adverse effects of hydroelectric development. Under the principle of substantive equity (equity of outcomes that takes into account a particular group's disadvantages or an unequal distribution opportunity), the PUB also believes an energy poverty program is required under The Path to Reconciliation Act. The Act requires government to develop a strategy that builds upon meaningful engagement with Indigenous nations and peoples, and

establish actions responsive to their priorities and needs. The PUB heard in this proceeding that 61 of 63 First Nations communities in Manitoba do not have access to natural gas for heating purposes, and in those communities, annual electricity bills are twice as high as compared to off-reserve customers and account for a disproportionate amount of residential service disconnections and bill arrears. The PUB also heard that many people in these communities saw their lands flooded and lost their livelihood through northern development.

The Executive Summary for Board Order 101/23 (pages 16-17), Section 16 Energy Poverty Issues (pages 188-200) and Section 18 Recommendations (pages 220-222) contain detailed information on these issues.

Affordability has now been raised in relation to water. In a recent case the PUB heard that the cost of water had increased dramatically in one municipality because it had not sought a rate increase in many years despite a Board directive to do so. The rate increase could trigger serious problems for low-income customers. The Board recommended the municipality consider a special program designed for low-income customers in light of the inaction of the utility administrators. The Board is concerned this same issue may arise in other municipalities, and regularly reminds utilities that good planning, along with regular rate reviews and increases to match inflation, helps mitigate against large increases to rates.

Recently some PUB members and staff watched a webinar about water regulation in the United States conducted by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. Water poverty is becoming an increasing problem in the United States as a result of climate change and programs have been created at the national level to address it, as well as at the state and local level in many instances.



The Manitoba Public Insurance (MPI) 2024 General Rate Application Hearing

MPI filed a General Rate Application on June 15, 2023, which did not request an overall rate change, but did include a rate indication reflecting a decrease of 0.13% based on market interest rates as of March 31, and calculated in accordance with Accepted Actuarial Practice.

Prior to filing the Application, the former Minister of Justice had directed MPI not to request an increase in its rate for 2024/25 pending an organizational review, which is to be completed no later than December 31, 2023. As an independent tribunal, the PUB is not bound by that directive.

The hearing commenced October 10, 2023, and concluded October 27, 2023. After careful consideration of the evidence submitted by all hearing participants, on December 18, 2023, the PUB issued Board Order 145/23 in which the PUB rejected MPI's application, ordered an overall 5.0% rate decrease, and noted several important findings.

The order for a decrease of 5.0% does not mean that rates for all motorists in each Major vehicle class will decrease by that amount. Rates paid by individual ratepayers within each customer class are determined by their driving record and actual claims experience, the kind of vehicle (make and model and year) registered, the purpose for which the vehicle is driven, and the territory in which

the ratepayer resides. As a result, some individuals will experience increases in insurance premiums, and others will experience decreases.

MPI's spending on its information technology (IT) modernization project (Project Nova) was again a central focus in this GRA. The overall project budget, including the high end of the contingency is \$290 million, double the amount budgeted in its original business case. This amount does not include the costs of projects upon which Project Nova is fully or partially dependent for implementation. The Board is concerned the final expenditure on Project Nova may exceed \$290 million. Given the history and challenges of Project Nova, the Board finds that ongoing and thorough review is required for Project Nova and all MPI IT initiatives in several areas.

MPI's request for approval of a Blanket Policy insurance framework for Vehicles For Hire, but deferral of a request for approval of rates to be applied, was denied. Analysis of the rates was not possible, as Uber was not prepared to share its kilometre data. Until evidence of all aspects of the proposed Blanket Policy, which would include the rates and the methodology for calculating the rates, the PUB is not prepared to approve the Blanket Policy framework.

A detailed summary is found within Board Order 145/23 on pages 6-25 which explains the history of the issues, the decisions made, and the reasons behind them.

On January 17, 2024, MPI filed an application with the PUB requesting a review and variance (R&V) of Board Order 145/23, which is currently under consideration. Details of the R&V request can be found on the PUB website at http://www.pubmanitoba.ca/v1/proceedings-decisions/appl-current/pubs/2024-mpi-gra/2024_gra_jan_17_2024_review_and_vary_145_23.pdf.

Further details will be made available on the PUB website and in the next edition of The PUB Post once a decision has been issued by the Board.

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From: Dave Kreklewich
Sent: Monday, February 12, 2024 2:05 PM
To: Members of Council; Elaine McGregor; Norma Will; Cheryl Fraser; Chelsea Long
Subject: Fwd: 2024 Recreation Manitoba Award Winner

This is a well deserved award for our facility and all the volunteers involved.

Dave

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From: Megan Lamirande <recreation@weststpaul.com>
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Subject: 2024 Recreation Manitoba Award Winner

Hello Wawanesa and District Recreation Centre,
It is my pleasure to be reaching out to you today and sharing that your facility has been selected as this year's award recipient for the Recreation Manitoba Facility Award - Congratulations!
This email is to follow-up with the next steps of the Awards Program/Presentation.

First, our committee would like to confirm the spelling of your name/group: Wawanesa and District Recreation Centre.

If you can reply as soon as possible, and confirm the spelling above that would be perfect. The name will be engraved on a physical award, and we would like to process the order as soon as possible.

In the coming weeks, we will be reaching out with more information around the awards and what to expect from the ceremony. Awards will be accepted at our President Luncheon, scheduled for March 15, 2024 at the hockey for all centre, from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. More details to follow. We will be in touch soon.

Again, congratulations on this award and I look forward to connecting with you soon.

Megan Lamirande
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News UPDATES

In the course of 2023, the Brandon University Department of Rural Development and the Rural Development Institute successfully obtained a \$448,271 grant. This funding, acquired through the Canadian International Development Scholarship: 2030 (BCDI: 2030), is designated to sponsor ten students from the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Ghana, to pursue studies at Brandon University between 2024 and 2028. To learn more, please visit the [BCDI: 2030 Project Overview](#).

The Rural Development Institute has partnered with Eco-West Canada to explore the implementation of climate change action strategies within Manitoba's municipalities. The objective of this initiative is to identify the gaps in these strategies, offering a contextual understanding of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the community level. To learn more about this project, kindly visit [the Climate Change Initiative Project](#).

RDI *Public Talks*

This January, Bruna Costa shared her insight on Indigenous Movements in Brazil. The presentation focused on examining the socio-territorial struggle by using the DataLuta Floresta Database. To learn more, see the [RDI Public Talks Series: Bruna Gonçalves Costa on the DataLuta Forest Database](#)



RESEARCH CENTER *Updates*

Make sure to visit the Faculty of Education to join into this week's BU CARES NourishEd Lunch and Learn!

At 11:45 am on February 9th, Dr. Kirk and Dr. Farrell will be exploring "The Thesis! How to encourage students to do research and/or tips for good mentorship and supervision."

[Register for this event here!](#)

RDI is happy to share this Save the Date to the 2024 [Mental Health on the Prairies Conference and Conversation!](#) Hosted through the [Centre for Critical Studies of Rural Mental Health](#), we look forward to listening in on the key notes and learning about the realities of rural mental health.

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YOUR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION NETWORK
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Endow Manitoba is a program of The Winnipeg Foundation with a mandate to advance the sustainability, growth, and impact of Manitoba

community foundations. Currently, Endow Manitoba is working with 57 community foundations in Manitoba and select nonprofit partners. Through an evidence-based and systematic approach, and guided by the Sustainability, Growth and Impact (SGI) Maturation Model, Endow Manitoba supports organizational and operational capacity building of Manitoba's community foundations. The intended outcome of Endow Manitoba's efforts is to support the province's community foundation network to enhance community well-being throughout Manitoba.

Endow Manitoba offers a range of specialized services, focusing on themes such as capacity building, research, network advocacy, and incubation of programming. Through collaboration with each community foundation, these supports are tailored to ensure authentic engagement with the foundation and a positive impact on community well-being. Alongside providing programs and services, Endow Manitoba supports Manitoba community foundation operational activities through grant making, fund stewardship, and investment management support.

We invite you to learn more about [Endow Manitoba](#) and their work.

Thank you for subscribing to the RDI Newsletter

Expect RDI research updates and partnership highlights coming regularly in the months to come

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please contact the RDI Engagement Researcher and Knowledge Mobilization Coordinator Nicole Breedon at breedonn@brandonu.ca



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Join us for the AGM & Public Budget Consultation



The Trustees of SHSD invite you to attend the AGM and Public Budget Consultation to ask for stakeholder input and suggestions as we present our preliminary 2024/25 Operating Budget.

Date:

February 21, 2024 @ 7:00PM

Location:

Hartney School Band Room
101 Garden Street, Hartney

Be heard and participate in the decision-making process. Everyone is welcome.

Norma Will

From: Regan South <regan@trugreenmetal.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 11:13 AM
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Subject: TruGreen Metal Recycling

Hi Norma,

TruGreen Metal Recycling was started in 2015. Since the humble beginnings we have grown to serve the 4 western provinces MB, SK, AB and recently BC has been added. We have two main offices located in Emerald Park Sk and Olds AB.

When serving our customers our process involves a free quote. An estimator will come out to have a look at your metal. Then based on the amount, type of metal and job cost, we will let you know how much we can pay for your metal. When we have come to an agreement you will receive a cheque up front for your metal.

TruGreen currently has 5 experienced crews across Western Canada. Our crews take pride in their work. Each is equipped with 2 Super B trucks, an excavator hoe with grapple and 40" magnet, as well as a skid steer.

When booking our appointments for cleanup, we have 3 points of contact. Tarilyn will contact to book your appointment. A couple days before the crew arrives, a member of the crew will do a physical walk through of the job with your representative. Upon job completion, there will be another walk through with your representative to ensure your satisfaction. This is our process big or small.

We can be found on the web at trugreenmetal.ca and on social media at all the usual spots.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me on my email regan@trugreenmetal.ca or on my cell @ 306-807-6059.

Thanks,
Regan

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