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News Bulletin

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March 15, 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 Spring Convention 2024



AMM 2024 Spring Events - April 9 to 11
Keystone Centre, Brandon

April 9 – Meetings with Mayors, Reeves and CAO's
9:30 am to 11:30 am: Midwestern, Parkland, and Western Districts

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm: Central, Eastern, Interlake, Northern, and Winnipeg Districts
[Click here to be directed to the MRC webpage for the registration links.](#)

Registration closes March 27 at 3:00 pm.

April 9 – AMM Education: Leading Practices in Municipal Government

Join Scott Fielding, Partner (Deal Advisory) and Bradley Leeman, Senior Manager, Infrastructure, Asset Management, Capital Budget Planning and Forecasting, and Corporate Strategy, from KPMG for this dynamic, and engaging session that will guide elected officials through council and administration working together to achieve a common purpose with clearly defined roles and responsibilities, making informed and transparent decisions which are subject to effective scrutiny and managing risk, municipal finance, and more.

Workshop duration is 3 hours.

Choose your training time! 9:00 am to 12:00 pm **OR** 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Pre-registration is required as seating is limited to 75 persons at each education workshop.

[Click here to be directed to the AMM Education webpage for the registration links.](#)

April 10 and 11 – Spring Convention

Day 1:

9:00 am to 4:00 pm: Convention Program

10:00 am to 4:00 pm: AMM Trade Show

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm: Municipal Mixer

Day 2:

8:00 am to 12:00 pm: AMM Trade Show

9:00 am to 3:30 pm: Convention Program

[Visit the 2024 AMM Spring Convention webpage for updates and to register.](#)

Registration closes March 27 at 3:00 pm.

April 10 - Women in Municipal Government Reception

5:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Building upon the success of our previous events in 2022 and 2023, we are pleased to continue our efforts in promoting inclusivity and gender equality within municipal Manitoba.

Join us following [the Municipal Mixer](#)

Pre-registration is required to attend this reception as seats are limited.

[Registration](#) is complimentary and is open now, until March 28, 2024.

April 10 - Public Works Employees are invited to register to attend the AMM Municipal Trade Show

[Register here](#)

Registration closes March 27 at 3:00 pm

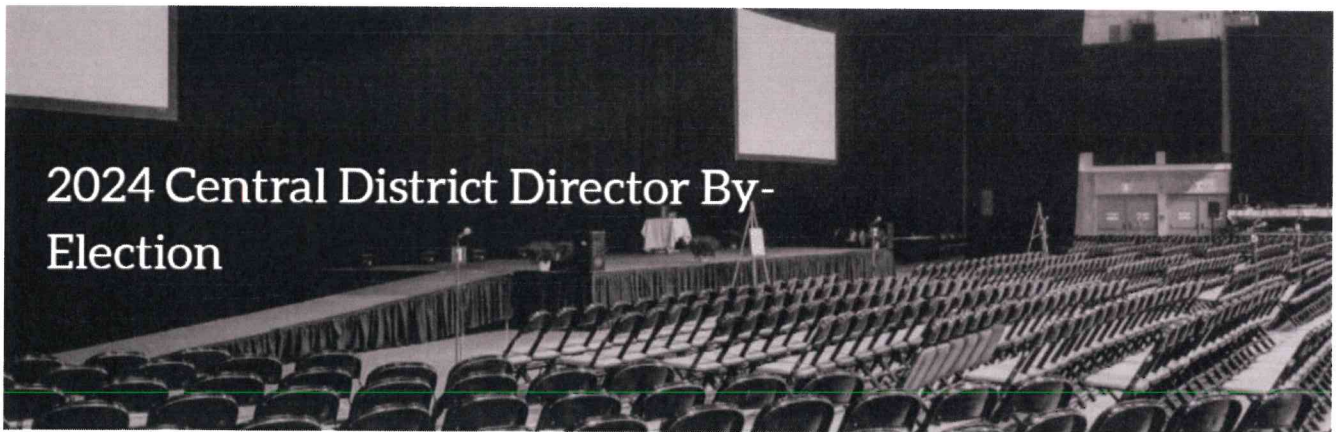
This event is possible with the partnership of these organizations:



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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

MMA Professional Development Events



March 19 [Asset Retirement Obligations Webinar](#)

March 22 [Navigating Your Financial Plan](#)

April 8 [GIS Mapping](#)

April 26 [Leadership Summit](#)

May 13, 14, and 15 [Finance & Administration Boot Camp](#)

MARR information Webinar

Event: Recycling and Diverting Construction, Renovation & Demolition Materials– options, best practices and new opportunities for Manitoba

Date: March 21, 2024 (9:30am – 12pm)

Price: \$30 per person for MARR members; \$50 per person for non-members

Click [HERE](#) to view Agenda and to Register.

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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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Subject: Member Advisory - Imperial Oil Pipeline Maintenance Update



MEMBER ADVISORY

Imperial Oil Pipeline Maintenance Update

March 20, 2024 - Please be advised that the AMM acknowledges that the Province of Manitoba has issued a statement regarding the temporary shutdown of a pipeline that supplies gasoline to Winnipeg and surrounding areas.

In response, our association has reached out to Manitoba Municipal and Northern Relations to inquire about anticipated impacts on municipalities. We are monitoring the situation and are committed to assisting the Province as they maintain communications with local communities.

Additionally, our organization has reached out to Canoe Procurement Group of Canada to address any potential concerns regarding AMM's fuel supply offered through the program. Imperial Oil has assured Canoe that they have implemented contingency plans, ensuring uninterrupted bulk fuel supply for program members.

Should you have any questions regarding AMM's fuel supply, please contact our Client Relations Manager Ainsley Murdock at ainsley@canoeprocurement.ca or (204) 249-0203.

Developing Media Articles:

- Unplanned shutdown of Imperial pipeline affects delivery of fuel to Winnipeg
- Imperial Oil speaks up on pipeline shutdown impacting Winnipeg area
- Pipeline shutdown a 'manageable inconvenience' for Manitoba, not a disaster

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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Subject: Member Events: Asset Management Training Program Reminder



NAMS+ Asset Management Training Program

March 18, 2024 - The Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) is pleased to host the online NAMS+ Asset Management Training Program presented by NAMS Canada. This is a proven training program designed specifically for municipal government employees to integrate the efforts of the disciplines of public works, finance, administration and political leaders towards preparing an Asset Management Plan for the organization.

Throughout the training, you will have the opportunity to "learn by doing" by utilizing your organization's own asset data and the NAMS+ templates and modelling tools. The course was designed based on internationally accepted Asset Management best practices specifically as outlined in the International Infrastructure Management Manual (IIMM) and all training material is aligned with ISO 55000.

By attending the course sessions, and keeping up with the homework activities, **you will have drafted an asset management plan for one asset class** and be well equipped for moving forward with implementing an Asset Management system for your organization.

All sessions are interactive and can work with information provided by participants (if you do not have information for your community, we will provide sample data). Complimentary mentoring and feedback are available throughout the duration of the course.

Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes:

- Understand the key concepts and considerations for an asset management plan
- Working session on risk management planning and communicating the consequences related to levels of service and risk associated with a planned budget
- Working session on lifecycle costing and comparing planned budgets
- Working session on level of service development, linking level of service to costs
- Discussion on Demand management, prioritization, and consideration of climate impacts and resilience
- Utilize your information to communicate a transparent and consistent message throughout a draft Asset Management Plan and document areas for improvement

- Explain the roles of a policy, strategy, and steering committee in integrating an asset management system
- Assess Asset Management maturity using the FCM Asset Management Readiness Scale

Course Details:

Six sessions will be held over 4 weeks and they will be delivered virtually using Microsoft Teams.

- Wednesday, May 8 - Session 1: Introduction to Asset Management
- Thursday, May 9 - Session 2: Risk Management
- Wednesday, May 15 - Session 3: Lifecycle Costing
- Wednesday, May 22 - Session 4: Level of Service
- Thursday, May 23 - Session 5: Your Data and the AMP
- Wednesday, May 29 - Session 6: AM Bigger Picture

All sessions will start at 1:00 pm (CDT), and be 2 hours, 15 minutes in duration. Each session will have optional homework to complete (estimated additional 1.5 hours per session). Sessions will be recorded and made available to registered individuals by request, expiring 60 days after recording.

The subsidized price is **\$150.00 plus GST per registrant** (Regular Price is \$1650) and it includes access to the NAMS+ templates and modelling tools for the duration of the course. AMM will invoice your municipality for registered delegate(s) prior to May 8, 2024.

Participant Eligibility:

- Registration is open to staff and elected officials of Manitoba municipalities.
- Maximum up to 2 participants per municipality are eligible to register. *We encourage participants to work together on developing a draft Asset Management Plan for a single asset class and attend the virtual sessions as a group if possible.*

Registration to this training series (all 6 sessions) is limited to a maximum of 40 participants.

Registration will close at end of day on April 24, 2024 or upon filling.

Register Here

This initiative is offered through the Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP), which is delivered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and funded by the Government of Canada. [Learn More.](#)



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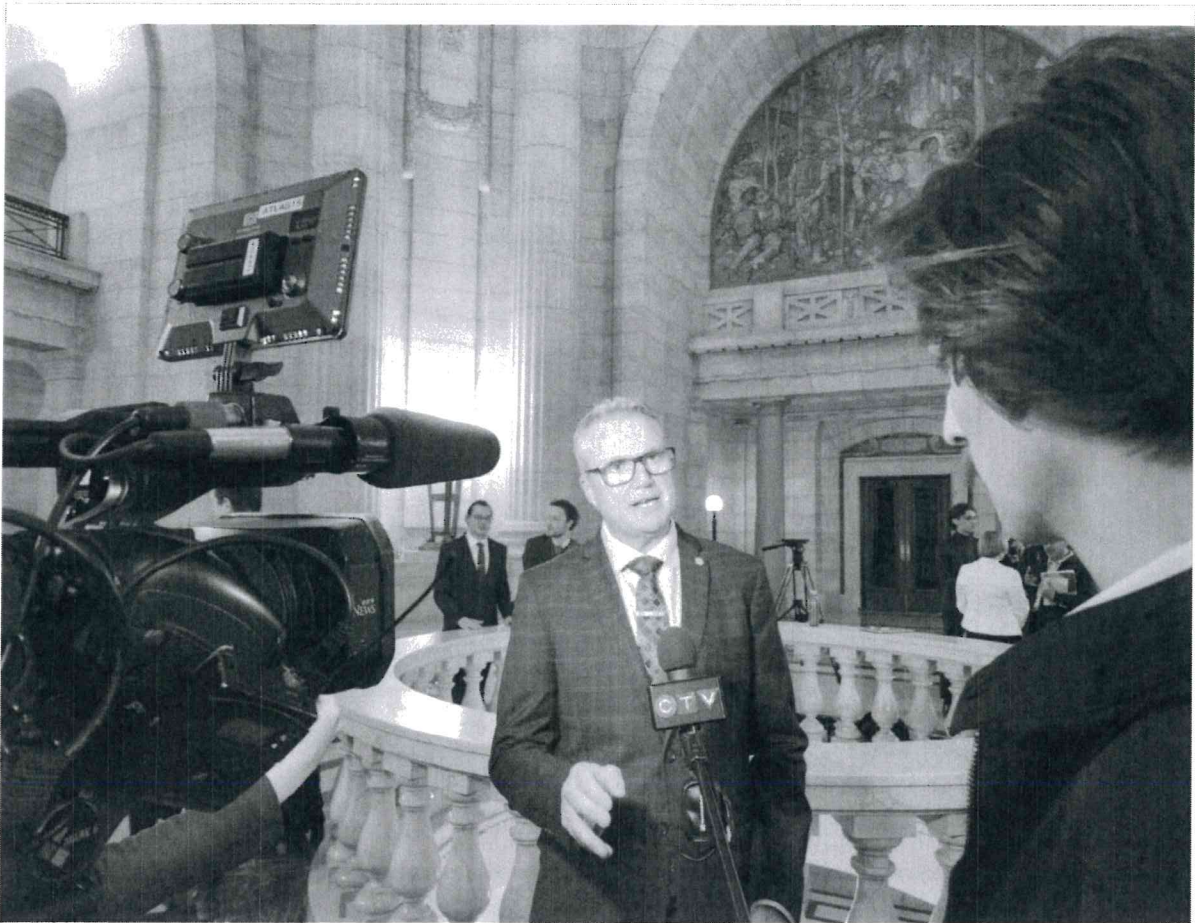
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MEMBER ADVISORY

2024 Provincial Budget



AMM President Kam Blight addressing media at the legislative building.
To download the photo click [HERE](#).

April 3, 2024 – Please be advised that the provincial government has tabled **Budget 2024**. Preliminary observations include:

Highlights:

- Due to our advocacy efforts, the Province of Manitoba has increased both the Municipal Operating basket from **\$217M to \$221.1** (an increase of **\$4.4M**) and Strategic Infrastructure Basket from **\$160.4M to \$163.7M** (an increase of **\$3.3M**), representing an overall increase of **2 per cent** to both baskets;
- **\$24M** for the Manitoba Water Services Board (up from \$20M);
- **\$8.5M** for provincial infrastructure maintenance, including highways and **\$850,000** for water maintenance initiatives which includes third order drains;
- **\$4M** in new, annual and sustainable funding for Sport and Cultural organizations;
- **\$1.2M** to implement a new public libraries funding model;

- **\$730,000** increase to support the Urban and Hometown Green Teams Program;
- **\$500,000** for the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Program to more effectively prevent and slow the spread of AIS;
- **\$200,000** to reopen two Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation (MASC) service centres (locations will be determined in consultation with communities);
- **\$135,000** for implementation of a veterinary strategy to help address a shortage of veterinary professionals in Manitoba;
- A **new \$1500** Homeowners Affordability Tax Credit starting in 2025;
- Extending the Gas Tax Holiday by an additional 3 months which equates to an **estimated \$3.75M in lower costs** for the duration of the freeze and;
- Investing a **record \$8.2B** in Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care which includes **\$309.5M** to retain, recruit and train more healthcare workers to address healthcare shortages.

As inflation has significantly impacted municipal budgets and municipalities are not permitted to run deficits, the additional 2% boost in operating funding is appreciated. However, while we acknowledge this positive step, we believe the Budget falls short in fully addressing the pressing needs and priorities of municipalities.

While the increased funding allocated to municipal operating and strategic infrastructure baskets is welcomed, our concern lies with the stagnant allocation in the public safety basket. While the Budget acknowledges the \$13.7 million increase to urban policing grants, this reaffirms last year's increase, and there is no percentage increase included in Budget 2024. This is particularly troubling as we witness a rise in crime across our province.

Moreover, the Budget documents commit to working with AMM and other municipal stakeholders to develop a reliable and flexible multi-year funding model that works for all municipalities. We look forward to working with the Province on this initiative over the coming weeks and months.

[Province of Manitoba press release](#)

[Budget 2024 Backgrounder](#)

[Link to Budget 2024 documents](#)

It is important to note that these are preliminary observations from this year's budget, and additional information will be released in the coming days and weeks.

The AMM will continue to track this year's budget and provide timely updates to our members as new information is discovered. We will also continue to advocate on issues highlighted in our pre-budget submission.

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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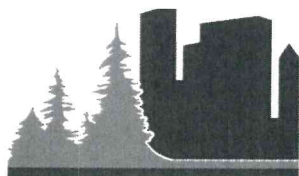
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REMINDER #2 - 2024 June District Resolutions

Attention AMM Members:

The 2024 June District meetings (JDMs) will take place on June 12-19, and 24-25.

Please note that resolutions will be debated at the upcoming JDMs. The deadline to submit resolutions to the AMM office is June 1, 2024.

All Resolutions will be categorized prior to the June District meetings by an elected district representative and the corresponding District Directors. Category 1 Resolutions will proceed to the annual Fall Convention in November.

For more information, please review:
JDM Resolutions Process and How to Write a Resolution

Resolutions MUST include whereas clauses, otherwise they will not be accepted.

Resolutions must be directed at the provincial or federal governments or AMM. Resolutions directed at individual AMM members will not be accepted (any member can send the AMM a letter to review issues of this nature).

Additional suggestions to consider:

- Has your municipality contacted the corresponding provincial/federal department(s) about the issue and copied the AMM?
- Have you called the AMM office and asked for assistance?
- Have you consulted with neighbouring municipalities and/or the Manitoba Municipal Administrators' Association (MMAA)?

Resolutions must be passed by your local Council and a signed certified copy must be submitted to the AMM office prior to the **June 1 deadline** (submitting a PDF version via email is sufficient). If your municipality can also provide the plain text of the resolution in either an email or Microsoft Word, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please submit your resolutions to AMM Senior Policy Analyst Stefanie Vieira at svieira@amm.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

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**PETER
KENYON**



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DEVELOPMENT EXPERT PETER KENYON:

TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE:

1. THE SIX BUILDING BLOCKS FOR CREATING STRONG,
CONNECTED AND ENTERPRISING RURAL COMMUNITIES.
2. "HOW WELL ARE WE DOING?" REFLECTION.
3. CREATING "WOW" FACTOR IN RURAL COMMUNITIES
4. INVOLVING YOUNGER GENERATIONS AS PARTNERS IN
DEVELOPMENT
5. GETTING THE TILLS RINGING IN LOCAL BUSINESSES

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FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Theme- "Re-Inventing Our Small Rural Towns - Lessons From Downunder"

Program -

9.30am -Coffee, Registration and Networking.

10.00am - Welcome and Introductions

10.15am- "The Six Building Blocks for Creating Strong, Connected and Enterprising Rural Communities"

11.10am - 'How Well are We Doing?' Reflection. Exercise.

11.30am - Refreshments, Networking and Conversations

11.50- "Creating WOW Factor in Rural Communities"

12.45pm - Lunch

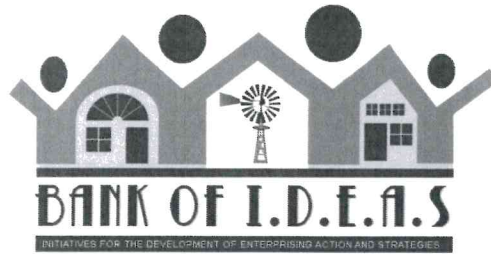
1.30pm - "Involving Younger Generations as Partners in Development'

3.00pm- Refreshments, Networking and Conversations

3.20pm- "Getting the Tills Ringing in Local Businesses'

4.15pm- Resources for Small Town Renewal

4.45 Close of the Day



Brief Bio Statement – Peter Kenyon OAM, Director, Bank of I.D.E.A.S.

Peter refers to himself as a community enthusiast and social capitalist. He is motivated by the desire to help create caring, healthy, inclusive, connected and enterprising communities, where all community members feel *'they matter, belong and can contribute'*, and where communities discover and mobilise their strengths and transform themselves.

Peter has had a background as a youth worker, teacher, youth education officer, tertiary lecturer, farmer, small business operator and senior public servant. His employment experiences have included Director of Employment in Western Australia, Manager of the Community Employment Development Unit in New Zealand, Coordinator of the Natal KwaZulu Job Creation and Enterprise Strategy in South Africa and international youth and employment adviser to 26 countries.

Through his organisation and social enterprise, the Bank of I.D.E.A.S (Initiatives for the Development of Enterprising Action and Strategies), Peter has had over 30 years of experience working in the field of community and economic transformation. Such opportunities have enabled him to design, implement, test and refine a variety of change and renewal methodologies and tools in a wide range of rural and urban communities and local economies throughout Australia, New Zealand, Southern Africa, Asia, Pacific, Middle East and North America.

Peter is especially passionate about small rural town reinvention and has worked with over 2000 rural communities seeking to spark their own ideas and invest themselves in building sustainable economic futures. He is the co-host of the Rural Aid *'Small Town Reinvention'* national webinar program, lecturer in graduate *'Rural Entrepreneurial Development'* units, Coordinator of the *"Community Builders"* grassroots leadership program and author of 20 publications in the fields of community, enterprise and youth development. Recently, he authored a document entitled *'Communities Reinventing Regional Australia Co-operatively: a handbook on utilising the co-op model to retain or create services in rural and remote Australia.'*

In recognition of his community, leadership and local enterprise building initiatives, Peter received a Centenary Medal in 2001, was acknowledged as the Senior West Australian for 2017 and awarded an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) in the 2019 Queens Birthday honours.



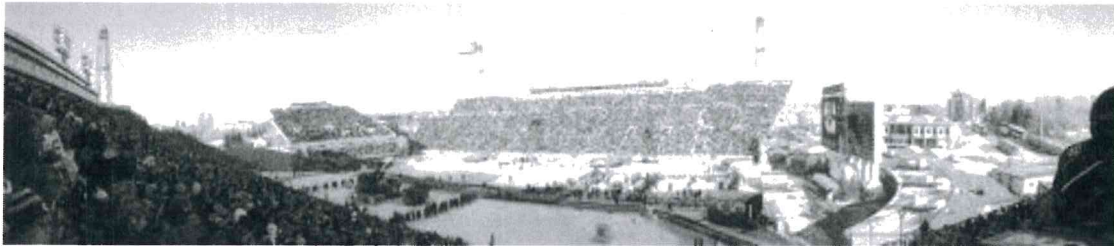
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DEM provides project management services to define, develop and deliver your vision.

DEM has the knowledge and experience to take your vision from concept to reality, whether you're planning a centennial celebration, renovating or constructing a facility, moving an office or factory, or hosting a provincial, national, or international level event.



Inaugural Heritage Hockey Classic – Edmonton 2003

Our Approach

DEM's holistic approach to project management achieves all your goals while honouring the project constraints of scope, schedule, and budget. We deliver cost accurate services to ensure the success of your project and organization. We tailor our team to fit your needs, providing the right level of experience at the right time and for the right length of time.

\$115M Production Renewal Project
National Arts Centre
Planning session



Our Experience

Randy Desrochers, PMP, the Principal at DEM, has planned and delivered special projects at home and around the world for over 35 years. Upon returning to rural Manitoba, Randy turned his focus to assisting rural municipalities with project management services. Combining a multi-disciplinary background in operations and infrastructure with project management training and business acumen, Randy ensures that your project scope, budget and schedule align with your concept.

DEM can develop a project-specific team or work with your own staff to deliver each project. We have managed regional, national, and international projects, indoors and out, in all climates, in existing and temporary facilities, with permanent and temporary infrastructure, and in urban and green-field environments. While DEM can scale our services to meet any budget and timeline, our previous projects have ranged in scope and scale from hundreds of thousands of dollars delivered in less than a year to hundreds of millions of dollars delivered over five years.

Our experience can help you enhance an existing event, assist in structuring a new organization or deliver a project from the ground up to provide a solid foundation for continued operational, financial and reputational success.

Our Process

The core process remains the same regardless of the project. We plan, organize, secure, and manage resources to achieve specific project goals across a wide spectrum of project types: facility moves, construction and renovation, company development, infrastructure installation, a competition, convention, festival, or sporting event.

We listen to your needs and merge them with our successful developmental processes to generate a complete and clear project path. The result is a unique and functional plan custom-tailored to each client's event. We guide your event and organization through each step of a full project cycle, from vision to reality.



Inaugural Heritage Hockey Classic
Edmonton Oilers
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Production Renewal Project,
National Arts Centre
PCL Construction Safety Award



Select Project Credits – Contact Randy to hear how our experience translates to your project

Construction / Performing Arts

- National Arts Center – Project Manager – Production Renewal Project (PRP)
 - \$115M Production Renewal. Project to upgrade the National Arts Centre performance spaces and associated infrastructure.
 - Completed on time and within budget. PRP ensured business continuity with no NAC performances or rehearsals disrupted in any way throughout the two and half years of construction.

Multi-Day / Multi-Venue Sport & Cultural Events

- 2023 World Police & Fire Games – Director of Ceremonies and Volunteers Services
 - Responsible for the planning and delivery of the Games Opening / Closing Ceremonies, the Athletes Village Celebration Site and Volunteer Services.
- Vancouver 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games
 - Three Director Positions held over 5.5 years. Director – Overlay Program Services, Director Partner Integration – Celebration Sites and Director – Urban Domain Master Planning
 - Strategic planning – co-developed VANOC’s initial overall strategic project plan including an alternate to the IOC Winter Olympic delivery program.
 - Overlay Program Services – a central service provider within the \$100M Overlay department responsible for project management, process and procurement of temporary infrastructure and the CAD department.
 - Defined and communicated VANOC’s level of service and financial commitment to municipal government partners hosting official celebration sites.
 - Operational representative to negotiate and manage the lease to secure 12 acres of land in downtown Vancouver critical to the Games delivery.

Single-Day Sport / Special Events

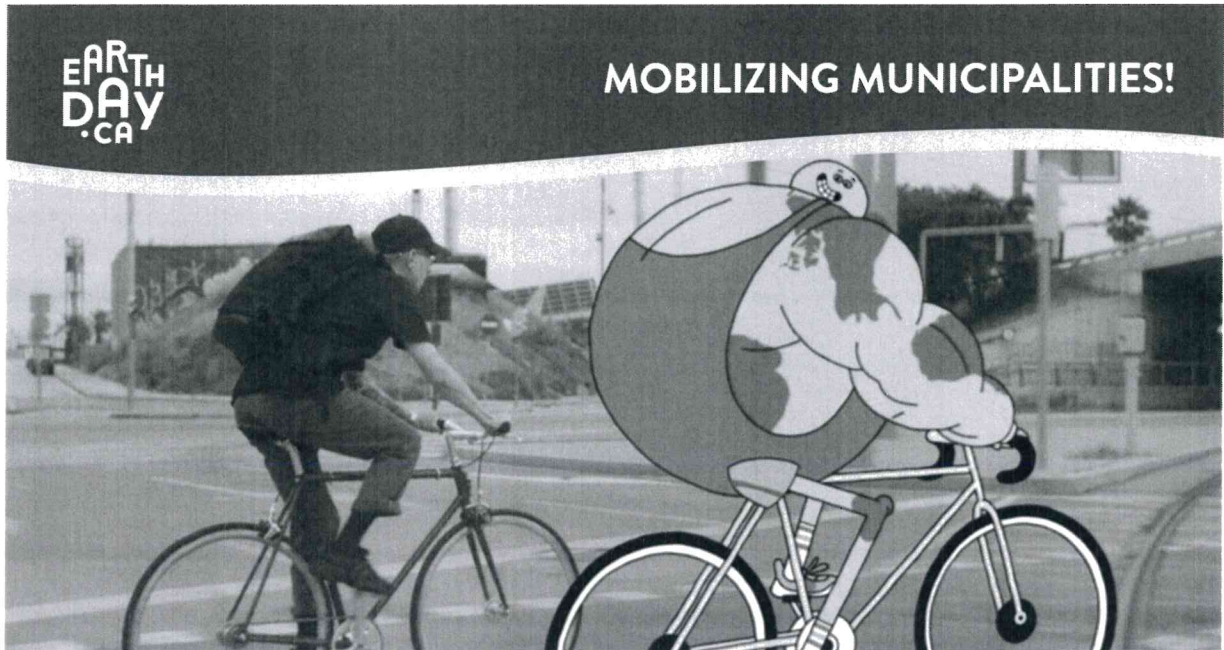
- 2005 Alberta Centennial and Royal Visit – Edmonton AB
- Heritage Hockey Classic – Inaugural – Edmonton AB
- Harmony 2000 – Ottawa ON

Consultancy

- Manitoba Centennial Centre Corporation – Update the Concert Hall 5-Year Capital Replacement Budget for Stage and Auditorium Equipment.

Norma Will

From: Earth Day Canada <infolettre@jourdelaterre.org>
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Mobilize your municipality for Earth Day!

This year, **the 2024 Earth Day campaign**, focused on **sustainable mobility**, urges the population to **choose more sustainable modes of transportation during their travels** **on**

April 22nd and every day. Join us in this initiative alongside Mr. Stéphane Boyer, Mayor of Laval and spokesperson for Mobilizing Municipalities.

Together, let's take action and implement **eco-friendly measures** to create a healthier and more sustainable environment. 🚲

EARTH DAY IS LEG DAY

Earth Day is the perfect opportunity to take action for our planet.
Encourage your citizens to ditch solo driving and use their legs instead.
On April 22nd, walk, run, or bike to get around.

Challenge your municipality by sharing your sustainable travels and stand a chance to win prizes!



» JOIN THE CHALLENGE «

JOIN THE MOBILIZING MUNICIPALITIES MOVEMENT!

There is still time for your municipality to join the movement and play a role in the ecological transition.

Highlight your municipality's environmental actions and celebrate Earth Day by **organizing an activity for your citizens**. It can be related to sustainable mobility. Explore our [suggestions](#) on our website and add yours to our [activity calendar](#).

Add your municipality now!



>> I REGISTER MY MUNICIPALITY <<

A STEP TOWARDS A GREENER MUNICIPALITY

TREE PLANTING RELAY

REGISTER YOUR MUNICIPALITY!

Join our **2024 tree planting relay** in honor of Earth Day and **receive a free sample of mycorrhizal fungi** to boost the growth of your plantings and make your municipality greener! **Simply fill out the online form** to take part in the relay.



Have questions or need more information?
You can write to us at the following email address:

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PUMPS & PRESSURE

April 2, 2024

Dear Valued Customer,

We are pleased to announce that Easy-Kleen Pressure Systems Ltd. has acquired Pumps & Pressure Inc.

Easy-Kleen Pressure Systems Ltd. has been a family-owned and operated Canadian manufacturer of high-pressure cleaning equipment since 1982. We have a state-of-the-art, 120,000 sq. ft. manufacturing facility/head office in Sussex, New Brunswick. In addition to our team at head office, we have sales and service locations in Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, and Alberta. Over the past 42 years, Easy-Kleen has grown into an international brand and employs over 220 personnel across Canada —and now we're growing again.

Pumps & Pressure, a family-owned business celebrating its 40th year of business, is the perfect addition to the Easy-Kleen family. With seven branches across Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba and a wide range of offerings – pressure washers, air compressors, hydraulics, car washes and more – their addition will help take Easy-Kleen to the next level, especially in Western Canada.

We look forward to continuing to foster the long-term relationships that Pumps & Pressure has established with its loyal customer base. Although Easy-Kleen will now operate these locations as part of our company, you can count on the same personal relationships and excellent service you've always received. Through this acquisition, we will continue to work with Jack Tremain's family, Daryl, Pablo, and Dayna, and we look forward to adding their knowledgeable staff to our team.

We hope you will join us in celebrating this significant milestone and the exciting opportunities it brings us and our loyal customers. We look forward to bringing you a range of expertise unmatched by any other pressure washer manufacturer in North America. Please browse through our 2024 Equipment Catalogue included in this package. We are proud to bring you the complete line of high-pressure cleaning equipment available in the industry, all manufactured in Canada. Pumps & Pressure will continue to manufacture and provide their existing services and products, including: HOTSHOT, hydro vac truck heaters, steam truck rig ups, industrial pressure wash pump systems, car wash systems, lube and air compressors, and pump and hydraulic services in Red Deer and Edmonton. We will also be introducing a new hydro vac service and refurb shop in Red Deer.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and your continued support as a valued customer. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Best Regards,



Brad Howland - President



EASY-KLEEN

PUMPS & PRESSURE

April 2, 2024

Branch locations:

Sussex - Head Office
41 Earnhardt Road
Sussex Corner, NB E4E 6A1
1-800-315-5533

Nova Scotia
1-902-403-5825

Montreal
Easy-Kleen/Unimanix
845G Tecumseh Street
Dollard-Des Ormeaux, QC H9R 4T8
1-800-563-5570

Cambridge
180 McGovern Drive
Cambridge, ON N3H 4R7
1-800-265-7146

Concord
329B Millway Avenue
Concord, ON L4K 4T3
1-800-800-9017

Edmonton
7714 69 St. NW
Edmonton, AB T6B 2J7
1-844-720-5933

Red Deer
3-7620 Edgar Industrial Dr.
Red Deer, AB T4P 3R2
1-877-317-9274

Newly Acquired Pumps & Pressure locations:

Brandon
Easy-Kleen/Pumps & Pressure
622 Richmond Ave. East
Brandon, MB R7A 7G8
1-204-728-9303

Saskatoon
Easy-Kleen/Pumps & Pressure
610A - 51st St. East
Saskatoon, SK S7K 7K3
1-888-430-9359

Calgary
Easy-Kleen/Pumps & Pressure
5200 - 64 Ave. S.E.
Calgary, AB T2C 4V3
1-888-430-9359

Edmonton
Easy-Kleen/Pumps & Pressure
6707 - 75 St. NW
Edmonton, AB T6E 1T6
1-888-430-9359

Lethbridge
Easy-Kleen/Pumps & Pressure
#3, 2801 - 2 Ave. North
Lethbridge, AB T1H 6S2
1-888-430-9359

Red Deer
Easy-Kleen/Pumps & Pressure
7018 Johnstone Dr.
Red Deer, AB T4P 3Y6
1-888-430-9359

Grande Prairie
Easy-Kleen/Pumps & Pressure
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Grande Prairie, AB T8V 5A5
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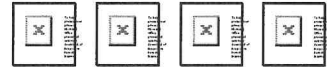
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March 13, 2024



Are you ready to connect with over 150 of Canada's top municipal partners, experts and suppliers?

Look no further than **FCM's 2024 Trade Show**, taking place during our [Annual Conference \(AC2024\)](#), from Thursday, June 6 to Saturday, June 8 in Calgary, AB. This three-day Trade Show event is a must-attend core element of our conference and promises to be a dynamic hub of activity, tailored to meet the needs of both rural and urban municipalities.

Kicking off on Thursday evening from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., the Trade Show will open its doors to hundreds of delegates. This inaugural event will feature a reception, live music and ribbon-cutting ceremony presented by our sponsors: Egg Farmers of Canada, Chicken Farmers of Canada, Turkey Farmers of Canada, Canadian Hatching Egg Producers and Dairy Farmers of Canada.

Here's what you can expect:

- **Network with a wide range of exhibitors:** With more than [150 exhibitors](#) showcasing the best practices and latest technology, our Trade Show offers opportunities to create connections that will support your mission to address the needs of your community.

- **Learning and problem-solving:** Explore a wide range of topics, broaden your expertise and gain the tools to address your community's unique challenges.
- **Experience new-this-year features:** Discover CN's photo booth and explore CMHC's Housing Supply Challenge, which will showcase 12 successful innovative projects addressing barriers to new housing supply. Be sure to pop by Municipal World's podcast booth as they record live episodes during the Trade Show.
- **Dine on the Trade Show floor:** Enjoy two lunches on the Trade Show floor on Friday (presented by Lidstone & Associates) and Saturday (presented by Nuclear Waste Management Organization) from 12 to 1:30 p.m., along with breakfast offered on the Trade Show floor on Friday and Saturday from 7 to 8 a.m.
- **Win prizes:** Don't miss your chance to win exciting prizes at our Friday and Saturday prize draws. Tip: Engage with exhibitors to increase your odds of winning! Sponsored by the Port of Vancouver, this year's prize draw includes a grand prize of a cruise valued at \$5,000.

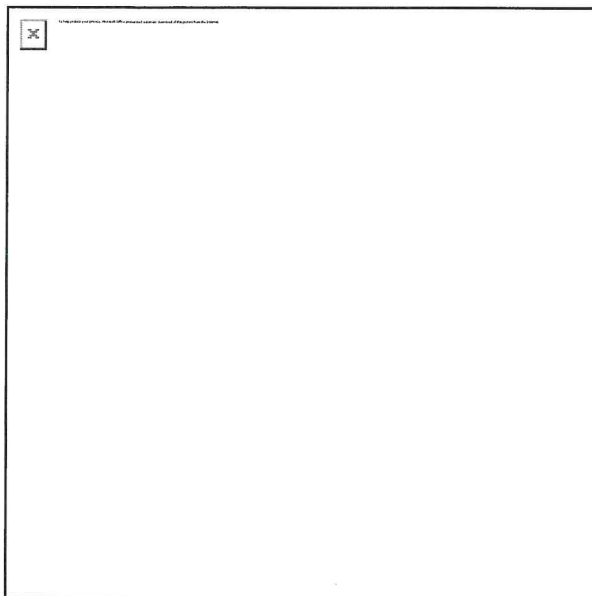
Be sure to visit our [2024 Annual Conference and Trade Show program page](#) for detailed information about our exciting line up of conference events.

Haven't yet registered for AC2024?

REGISTER TODAY!

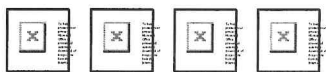
We look forward to seeing you there!

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FCM ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND TRADE SHOW
Calgary • June 6-9, 2024

Connect, discover and innovate at FCM's 2024 Trade Show

Discover unparalleled connection opportunities at FCM's 2024 Trade Show, a highlight of our Annual Conference (AC2024) in Calgary, AB, from June 6-9. Engage with over 150 exhibitors, including top Canada's leading municipal partners and suppliers. Tailored to meet the needs of both rural and urban municipalities, the Trade Show offers a vibrant space to network, gain knowledge and uncover innovative solutions. Don't miss out on this key gathering, proudly presented by Egg Farmers of Canada, Chicken Farmers of Canada, Turkey Farmers of Canada, Canadian Hatching Egg Producers and Dairy Farmers of Canada.

» [LEARN MORE ABOUT AC2024](#)

NEWS

Join GMF council and shape Canada's sustainable future

We're seeking visionary leaders across Canada to join the Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Council. This is a call for individuals passionate about driving sustainable impact locally, offering a platform to shape environmental stewardship initiatives alongside sustainability leaders from various sectors. Ideal candidates will possess a deep understanding of the Canadian municipal sector, proven governance skills, financial acumen and a history of strategic investment in projects that enhance environmental sustainability. If you're ready to witness and contribute to real-world change, join us in this unique opportunity to influence municipal sustainability at a strategic level.

» [LEARN MORE AND APPLY BY APRIL 3, 2024](#)

EVENTS

Learn how to improve the energy performance of buildings in your municipality

Registration is now open for the e-learning series: *Tackling energy use in municipal and community buildings*. The Green Municipal Fund (GMF) is offering four free, online courses on how to identify and implement the best solutions for sustainability and significant GHG emissions reductions in buildings.

Choose a course that aligns with your municipality's priorities and complete it in your own time. Topics include municipal leadership, community-scale energy solutions, and policies and programs designed to support community members.

These courses will also prepare you for community projects that are eligible for support via GMF's newly updated funding offers.

» [FIND A COURSE THAT WORKS BEST FOR YOU](#)

RESOURCES

Available now: New funding for organic waste to energy projects

Recover value and energy from organic materials and landfill gas with the Green Municipal Fund's Organic Waste to Energy offer. With stackable grants and loans from GMF, you can embrace circular waste solutions that reduce methane emissions and drive significant GHG reductions by recovering energy from organic waste and landfill gas. Municipalities can redirect organic materials to an organic waste-to-energy system and reduce landfill operating costs or tipping fees while producing valuable byproducts like digestate and fertilizers.

» [CHECK OUT OUR NEW FUNDING TODAY](#)

Tips on starting a home upgrade financing program

With support from our Green Municipal Fund's Community Efficiency Financing (CEF) initiative, municipalities can make it easier and more affordable for homeowners to enhance the energy efficiency of their homes.

Use our factsheets to learn:

- the value and benefits of a home upgrade financing program
- what a successful program looks like
- how to plan your program
- engaging partners for program delivery
- reaching your audience

» [READ OUR FACTSHEETS](#)

Net-zero indoor ice rinks using low-carbon measures

Transitioning an indoor ice rink to net zero can improve energy efficiency, lower GHGs and reduce operating costs. Our guidebook, *Taking your indoor ice rink to net zero*, builds on the results and lessons learned from successful transitions and provides an actionable roadmap for municipalities. Find helpful information to get started on your net-zero retrofit plan.

» [READ THE GUIDE](#)

FCM IN THE NEWS

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This week's highlights:

- [Mayors Press for Infrastructure Funds, Green Investment in Countdown to Federal Budget](#) | [FCM and recent BCMC meeting announcement referenced in article]
- [St. John's getting over \\$10M in federal help to address housing shortage](#) | CBC News
- [How one Ontario city is using modular cabins to cope with 'unprecedented' homelessness crisis](#) | CBC News
- [Municipalities need federal housing, infrastructure help: Chatham councillor](#) | The Beacon Herald [FCM and Prince George board meeting mentioned]
- [Portage to be hit hard if feds don't renew infrastructure cost-sharing program](#) | PortageOnline
- [Two major housing developments approved in Brockville](#) | Kingston Whig Standard

- [Fredericton council starts to pave way for up to 100 more affordable housing units | CBC News](#)

Text below is in French only:

- [66 affordable units will be built in Granby | ICI Radio-Canada](#)
- [A green retrofit program expanded to Inverness and New Glasgow | ICI Radio-Canada \[mention de la FCM et référence à l'annonce de financement du FMV de mars 2024\]](#)

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Citizen engagement solutions for your community

Solutions that facilitate citizen engagement are essential to support municipalities across Canada. Catalis provides tools that enable administration to connect with their citizens through intuitive websites, mass notifications, and meeting management solutions. By integrating with municipal operations, Catalis simplifies the communication of municipal information. Never lose touch with the people that call your community home with our citizen engagement solutions.

» To learn more, visit the Catalis website today!

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FCM TWEETS

Mar 14: It's #PiDay! Here's a math question for you:

Municipalities own 60% of Canada's public infrastructure but get less than 10 cents per tax dollar to finance them. What infrastructure should municipalities leave unbuilt or needing repair?

Difficult question, isn't it? Yet it's one that local governments ask themselves every day.

Mar 15: Get ready to connect with over 150 of Canada's top municipal partners, experts and suppliers at FCM's 2024 Trade Show, taking place June 6-8 during #FCM2024AC in Calgary. Featuring a dynamic hub of activity geared toward rural and urban #CDNmuni of all sizes, our trade show is a must-attend event of our conference. Register now: <http://fcm.ca/ac>

Mar 17: Our members are the driving force behind FCM's influential national voice. FCM unites and empowers more than 2,100 cities and communities from coast to coast to coast, representing over 92% of Canadians. Add your voice: <http://fcm.ca/membership> #CDNMuni

» [MORE](#)

A new municipal growth framework that links municipal funding to national population and economic growth would ensure #CDNMuni get a bigger piece of the pie, and residents get the quality of life they deserve.

(ok, now we're hungry for pie...)



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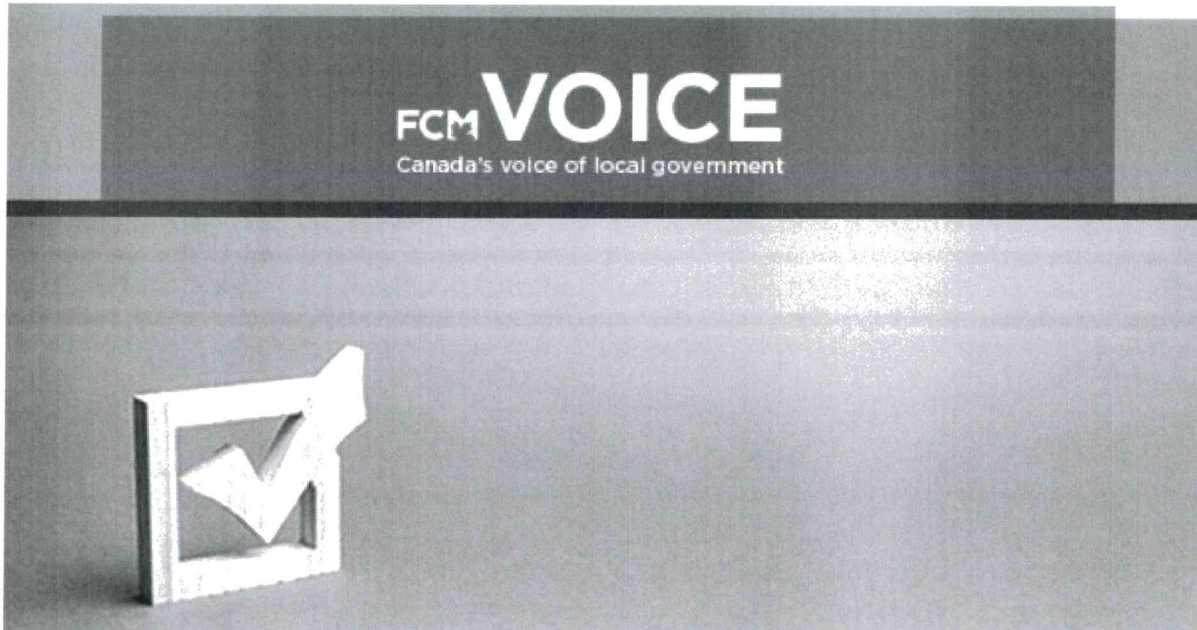
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March 25, 2024



FCM Board Elections: Nominations now open

Interested in making a difference in your municipality and others across Canada? FCM's Board of Directors nominations for the 2024-2025 term are open! This member-elected body shapes policy priorities for communities across Canada. Apply now for a Director (due May 26) or Table Officer (due May 19) position. The upcoming election will take place at FCM's Annual Conference and Trade Show, June 6-9, in Calgary. Nomination details, including required forms, are available online.

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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 late March 2024.

Martin Davis

As mayor since 2018 of the small village of Tahsis (BC), located on the western shore of Vancouver island, Martin encounters challenges that are quite different from those in more connected, larger communities. Nevertheless, his municipal colleagues have hailed his thoughtful and inclusive approach and his commitment to empowering local voices. He has advocated for the economic development of this unique village, while continuing to highlight the importance of the vibrant natural environment that Tahsis offers, including exceptional caving, forest hiking and fishing opportunities in a vibrant ecosystem. His municipal colleagues deeply appreciate his dedication and passion for the local community he serves.

Marc Morin

Marc has served as councilor for Pleissisville, QC since 2021, and in that time has dedicated himself to the needs of residents in this community nestled in the heart of Quebec's L'Érable MRC. As an active member of committees concerned with waterworks, day camps, and cultural heritage, he has thrown himself into the needs of the community at large. As a great listener and an excellent mobilizer, he has been able to tackle complex issues and move forward to contribute to the community at large. Marc has always had a goal of supporting local organizations and residents of all ages, and his colleagues have recognized the considerable professional experience he brings to his work as a councilor as well as his true commitment to teamwork.

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

NEWS

Building together: FCM attends CMHC's National Housing Conference

At last week's CMHC National Housing Conference, FCM CEO Carole Saab highlighted the importance of partnerships for sustainable housing in a panel discussion.

She emphasized how joint efforts are essential in achieving affordable housing and how municipal collaborations are contributing to sustainable community development. Included in this discussion was the municipal need for increased infrastructure funding amidst national population growth. The session brought together private, public and government entities to spearhead the next generation of affordable housing initiatives in Canada.

» **WATCH CMHC'S VIDEO**

FCM is looking for three new members to join GMF council

We're looking for dynamic individuals passionate about climate change to join the Green Municipal Fund council. As part of the GMF Council, you'll collaborate with leaders across sectors to support projects that significantly benefit Canadian communities. We're looking for experts with a strong background in governance, financial literacy, and a commitment to sustainability. We're particularly interested in candidates who embody diversity in thought, experience, and expertise, aiming to foster inclusive and innovative solutions for reducing emissions and enhancing local sustainability. If you're passionate about creating a greener future and ready to make a tangible difference, we invite you to apply.

» [LEARN MORE AND APPLY BY APRIL 3, 2024](#)

EVENTS

Last chance to register for the energy efficiency financing webinar

Join our upcoming webinar on March 28, 2024 at 1 p.m. ET, *Community stories: The real impact of energy efficiency financing*, as we explore concrete examples from municipalities that have successfully financed projects through the Green Municipal Fund's Community Efficiency Financing (CEF) initiative. Speakers from the Clean Foundation, the Town of Bridgewater, the Association of Alberta Municipalities and the City of Calgary will share results from their funded programs.

» [REGISTER NOW](#)

Webinar: Make your sustainability project stand out with 'multi-solving'

FCM's Green Municipal Fund is looking to fund top examples of multi-solving projects—initiatives that solve multiple challenges with one investment. Interested in learning how to build this concept into your future GMF funding applications? Join our free multi-solving webinar on April 11, 2024 from 2–3 p.m. ET to:

- Understand how multi-solving can make your sustainability projects more impactful
- Learn how to implement best practices in each of the multi-solving areas
- Discover how integrating these principles can help you score higher in GMF's funding application process

» [SIGN UP TODAY](#)

RESOURCES

Visit GMF's Learning Centre to access more resources

Did you know? FCM's Green Municipal Fund (GMF) offers capacity development resources free of charge to help you go further and get results, regardless of your skill and ability level. Our knowledge products, including tools, guides, online courses, training programs, templates, practice communities and coaching services, complement GMF's funding offer, but can also be used separately. Whether you are from a rural, urban or mid-size community, we have resources that are specifically tailored to your needs.

» [ACCESS GMF'S LEARNING CENTRE TODAY](#)

Online course now available: Improving the energy performance of your buildings

Discover how municipalities can model best practices in building energy performance to inspire residents and businesses. What's more, learnings can be applied to projects that are eligible for support via the Green Municipal Fund's Sustainable Municipal Buildings funding offers and Community Buildings Retrofit initiative.

There are three other online, free courses to explore in the series—each one has five modules to complete at your own pace (approx. 1-2 hours needed per model)

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This week's highlights:

- [Women leaders have 'candid conversation' about their roles | Today's Farmer \[FCM mentioned, Gender Equality Week announcement referenced in report\]](#)
- [Toronto council greenlights review that could see parking lots turned into housing | CBC News](#)
- [Abbotsford launches new app to better serve the unhoused | CityNews](#)
- [Feds eye 'more responsive' models for RCMP's contract policing across Canada | The Canadian Press](#)
- [New Kitchener bylaw will require affordable housing in developments along transit corridors | CBC News](#)
- [Summerside updates affordable housing incentive, rebates on property tax | CBC News](#)

- [Thunder Bay Transit receives \\$19.5M for infrastructure improvements](#) | CBC News

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- [Greenlight to secondary suites in Quebec City](#) | ICI Radio Canada

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Destination Canada launches International Convention Attraction Fund

Last week, Destination Canada launched a new, three-year, International Convention Attraction Fund in a strategic move to bolster Canada's global competitiveness in attracting major international conventions, conferences, and events to communities across Canada. These business events have immediate short-term benefits for the Canadian economy, and long-term bolster our ability to attract foreign direct investment, innovative businesses, and new talent in high-growth sectors.



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YMCAs and municipalities: working together for communities

For decades, YMCAs and municipalities have worked together to create opportunities, share resources, and address pressing community needs. Through impactful partnerships, we achieve economic efficiencies, support high-quality program delivery, foster a sense of belonging and build thriving communities.

» [CONTACT YOUR LOCAL YMCA TO LEARN MORE ABOUT PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES](#)

FCM TWEETS

Mar 19: FCM CEO
@CaroleSaab joined industry leaders George Carras, @anabailaoTO and Debbie Stewart at @CMHC_ca's National Housing Conference today to discuss the future of partnerships in Canada's housing system. For every housing unit built, there's a corresponding infrastructure need that must be met, and #CDNMuni need adequate funding to support this.

Mar 20: As Canada experiences record population growth, an intensifying housing and homelessness crisis and a soaring cost of living, the need for sustainable solutions is increasingly urgent.

#CDNMuni are calling for the federal government to step up in #Budget2024 and solidify its commitment to new housing by investing in supporting infrastructure.

<http://fcm.ca/growth>

#FCMUpdateRequired

Mar 21: This International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, FCM reaffirms our commitment to fighting systemic & all forms of racism, both within our organization and in the #CDNMuni we represent.

Our Anti-racism and equity commitment:

<https://t.co/Y0eT9hOQ3k>

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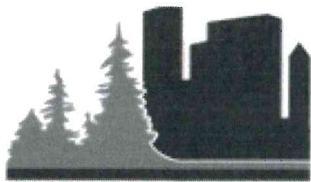
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March 28, 2024

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LATEST UPDATES

AMM Spring Convention 2024



AMM 2024 Spring Events - April 9 to 11 Keystone Centre, Brandon

*Keep a look out for a list of pre-event details coming to your inbox next week!
We look forward to seeing you there.*

April 9 – Meetings with Mayors, Reeves and CAO’s

9:30 am to 11:30 am: Midwestern, Parkland, and Western Districts

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm: Central, Eastern, Interlake, Northern, and Winnipeg Districts

April 9 – AMM Education: Leading Practices in Municipal Government

9:00 am to 12:00 pm and encore workshop from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

April 10 – AMM Spring Convention

9:00 am to 4:00 pm: Convention Program features a special presentation from Shared Health plus a frank, and entertaining keynote from Lauren Sergy on Collaborative Communications.

10:00 am to 5:00 pm: Visit over 100 exhibitors at this year’s Trade Show and cap off the day at the Municipal Mixer starting at 4:00 pm in the Show rooms!

April 11 – AMM Spring Convention

8:00 am to 12:00 pm: It’s your last chance to visit Trade Show and learn about the extensive products and services available to municipalities.

9:00 am to 3:35 pm: This day’s Convention Program offers more breakout sessions, Lauren Sergy will dive into the factors that affect trust and communication in her Trust Talks keynote, we’ll have a Grand Prize draw plus, **Jamie Hari** from Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA) will give a fascinating, and perhaps startling, talk about cybersecurity awareness.

April 10 - Women in Municipal Government Reception

5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Our efforts continue in promoting inclusivity and gender equality within municipal Manitoba. Your pre-registered ticket is required to enter this event.

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Manitoba Government Celebrates World Water Day

The Manitoba government is marking World Water Day with the addition of five new watershed districts and new water conservation resources for Manitobans.

"Water is life and our government is committed to protecting Manitoba's lakes and rivers for generations to come, expanding watershed districts and making new resources available to help Manitobans make smart water decisions are part of this work." - Environment and Climate Change Minister Tracy Schmidt.

The Manitoba government is also launching a new water conservation webpage to help give Manitobans tips on simple ways to use water more efficiently water at home. For more information, visit <https://manitoba.ca/savewater/>.

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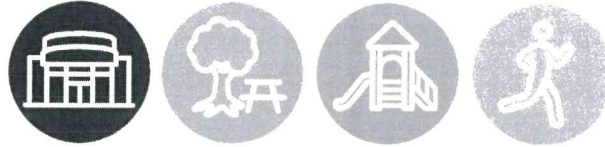


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Arena Operators and Refrigeration Survey 2024



RECREATION MANITOBA

Recreation Manitoba is seeking information about arena operations and refrigeration plants in Manitoba. We currently have a survey to capture this information to aid in our advocacy campaign to support the sector and improve training opportunities. The survey data will be reported on at a regional level and all individual data will be kept anonymous. We encourage you to complete the survey by **March 29, 2024**.

Survey Link: <https://forms.office.com/r/0JpqqX6nw0>

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Procurement Webinar Series

Webinar #1: Risk Preparation for Natural Disasters

Date & Time: Apr 11, 2024 10:00 AM

Natural disasters affect us all and understanding what resources are available are key to preparing for the worst case scenario. Join Fred Krause as he discusses his past experiences helping local governments with fire and flood preparation.

Click [HERE](#) to register

Webinar #2: The Canoe Way

Date & Time: May 2, 2024 10:00 AM

Join this informative presentation by Tony De Sciscio on the benefits of Canoe Procurement and how to become an approved supplier.

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Webinar #3: Streamlining Municipal Procurement

Date & Time: May 23, 2024 10:00 AM

This workshop, "Streamlining Municipal Procurement: Compliance and Best Practices," is tailored for CAOs and municipal procurement professionals. It offers insights into developing a straightforward procurement policy framework, emphasizing compliance with key trade agreements (CFTA, NWPTA, and CETA) and effective solicitation strategies.

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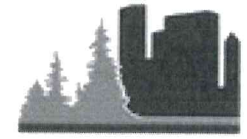
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Sent: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 3:46 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: FCM Voice: Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund | 2024 Sustainable Communities Awards | AC2024 | and more

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New \$6-billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund, \$400 M top-up for Housing Accelerator Fund

A new \$6-billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund was announced today by the federal government, in a response to long-standing advocacy by FCM for significant investment in infrastructure amid record population growth.

This new funding, which includes \$1 billion in funding for urgent municipal infrastructure funding needs including water and wastewater management signals the federal government is responding to FCM's calls for more investments in community infrastructure to increase housing supply.

FCM looks forward to collaborating with the federal government and our partners in provincial and territorial associations to fully analyze the details of the newly announced infrastructure fund and ensure its success.

In addition, a significant \$400 million top-up was announced for the Housing Accelerator Fund, which will further facilitate the construction of new homes in communities from coast to coast to coast. Once the specifics and details of this top-up are confirmed, we will communicate directly with FCM members.

» [READ OUR STATEMENT IN FULL](#)

NEWS

The start of a new FCM Sustainable Communities Awards season

This webinar marks the beginning of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' 2024 Sustainable Communities Awards (SCAs) call for applications. The SCAs honour the most innovative and environmental initiatives in Canadian cities and communities of all sizes. Join us on April 25 at 2 p.m. ET to discover the benefits of winning an SCA and to better understand the application process. You will also hear from past SCA winners, who will share their experiences with a successful sustainability project and the SCA process.

» [REGISTER FOR THE WEBINAR TODAY](#)

EVENTS

AC2024: What's new and exciting this year

Excitement is building for FCM's AC2024 in Calgary (June 6-9) as we're introducing new features to enhance wellness, provide networking opportunities and spark innovation in your communities. Our new AC2024 programming includes ParticipACTION's Allons-y Wellness Challenge, CSA's FCM Collective Luncheon, YMCA's Wellness Moments and FCM's Municipal Den, alongside our regular schedule of workshops, plenaries, study tours, Trade Show and more. Register before April 19 to enjoy early bird pricing.

» [EXPLORE AC2024](#)

Webinar: Make your sustainability project stand out with 'multi-solving'

GMF is looking to fund top examples of multi-solving projects – initiatives that solve multiple challenges with one investment. Interested in learning how to build this concept into your future GMF funding applications? Join our free multi-solving webinar on April 11 from 2 – 3 p.m. ET to understand how multi-solving can make your sustainability projects more impactful, learn how to implement best practices in each of the multi-solving areas, and discover how integrating these principles can help you score higher in GMF's funding application process.

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Discover low-carbon energy solutions for municipalities

Take a free, online and self-paced course to help you plan for district energy systems and renewable energy generation systems. The *Tackling energy use in municipal and community buildings* e-learning series has four courses on different topics for you to explore.

When you're done, you can apply what you learned in projects that are eligible for support via GMF's Community Energy Systems funding offers.

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RESOURCES

Resources to help you make sustainable land use decisions

Are you interested in developing a land use plan to accommodate, service and support new residents and businesses? Our new resources can help you make informed decisions that save you money, reduce local GHG emissions and preserve natural climate resilience.

You'll find a tool that estimates the financial and climate implications of potential projects and a guide that provides tips, strategies and a high-level understanding of how land use decisions can impact a municipality's climate and fiscal sustainability.

» [GET STARTED TODAY](#)

LOCAL DATA

Do you want to know more about the diversity of people living in your municipality?

Statistics Canada announces the launch of the [Municipal diversity dashboard](#) on the [Centre for Municipal and Local Data](#) portal.

This interactive dashboard allows users to examine diversity indicators for Canadian municipalities such as language spoken, visible minority or immigrant status. It presents the latest data from the Census of Population for census subdivisions and allows users to view a profile of a municipality, compare two municipalities, or compare multiple municipalities.

FCM TWEETS

Mar 26: Welcome news from @cib_en. The new Infrastructure for Housing Initiative will be another tool for #CDNMuni to help address infrastructure needs associated with complete communities. New housing units are critical for Canada's growth, and so is the infrastructure required to sustain them.

It's critical that this new financing is in addition to new federal infrastructure funding. Ahead of #Budget2024, we're calling on the federal government to step up and solidify its commitment to new housing by investing in supporting infrastructure.

The current infrastructure gap is exacerbated by the outdated funding models to which municipalities are constrained. FCM is also calling for all orders of government to convene and negotiate a new Municipal Growth Framework that empowers #CDNMuni with revenue tools that grow with Canada's national and economic population.

Mar 28: Canada is experiencing historic growth – and that's a good thing. But there's a critical need to invest not only in new housing units, but in the infrastructure that supports them – like water, wastewater, public transit and community services.

FCM and #CDNMuni are calling for the federal government to step up in #Budget2024 to solidify its commitment to new housing by investing in support infrastructure.

Learn more:
<http://fcm.ca/growth>

#FCMUpdateRequired

April 2: INITIAL REACTION | FCM welcomes today's federal announcement of a new \$6 billion Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund to accelerate housing construction, including \$1 billion in direct funding to municipalities for urgent infrastructure needs like water and wastewater management.

This response to FCM's advocacy is an important recognition of the critical need for investment in the infrastructure necessary to increase housing supply and safeguard residents' quality of life as Canada experiences record growth. Infrastructure investment is essential to increase housing supply across Canada.

Full statement to follow.

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Subject: AC2024: What's new and exciting this year

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AC2024: What's new and exciting this year

As excitement builds for FCM's much-anticipated [2024 Annual Conference and Trade Show](#) (AC2024) in Calgary from June 6-9, we're thrilled to introduce new features and events to make this year's annual event truly unforgettable.

Alongside our many workshops, main stage plenaries, evening networking events, study tours and Trade Show, we're excited to offer even more opportunities for you to connect, network, learn, experience and get the most out of your conference experience:

- **New Rural Forum themes:** Join us on the mainstage on the morning of June 8 for two dedicated sessions addressing rural issues: "Rural Resiliency: Innovation and Economic Growth," focusing on rural-specific opportunities and "Fires and Floods: Planning for Extreme Weather Events," tailored to the unique natural disaster-related challenges facing rural communities.
- **Allons-y! Wellness Challenge:** Embark on a journey of wellness with FCM's daily wellness challenge presented by ParticipACTION. Start each day the conference with a sunrise 5 km walk, run or roll. Move your body, better acquaint yourself with the city, get some exercise and start your day off right. Complete all three courses on each day (June 7, 8, and 9) to earn a finisher pin and a chance to win prizes. Tickets can be purchased onsite or in advance through the AC2024 registration portal.
- **FCM Collective Luncheon:** Join us for a special thought-leadership lunch at the Hyatt Ballroom on June 6, presented by the CSA Group. Connect with colleagues

during the network portion of the luncheon and attend an engaging presentation. Luncheon tickets can be purchased in advance through the AC2024 registration portal.

- **YMCA's Wellness Moments:** Join us for twice-daily opportunities to stretch, move and reset at the end of breakfast and lunch on June 7 and 8.
- **FCM's Municipal Den:** On Friday, June 7, hear from Canada's leading innovators in municipal services as they share their projects, services and big ideas, fostering collaboration, inspiring action in Canadian communities.

Coming soon! Stay tuned for detailed information about our workshops and mainstage events.

AC2024 is shaping up to be an unparalleled opportunity for learning, networking and collaboration. If you haven't yet registered for AC2024, be sure to do so before our early bird pricing ends on **April 19**.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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From: Hutchison, Sandy (HC/SC) <sandy.hutchison@hc-sc.gc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, April 4, 2024 2:06 PM
Subject: Take Action on Radon 2024

Good Day,

My name is Sandy Hutchison, I am the Manitoba-Saskatchewan rep for Health Canada's National Radon Program. As the leading cause of lung cancer in Canada after smoking, radon exposure is a serious health risk. Health Canada estimates over [3,000 Canadians](#) die from radon-induced lung cancer each year. The good news is that elevated exposure to radon is preventable.

Based on scientific evidence Health Canada reduced the Guideline for Radon in Indoor Air from 800 Becquerels per cubic metre (Bq/m³) to 200 Bq/m³ in 2007. Since then we have led extensive public education programs, conducted testing in homes across the country; as well as, developed and validated technical guidance to ensure clear standards for how radon is measured and mitigated.

The Prairies are known to be one of the most radon-prone regions in the entire world. I'm reaching out to offer support with [educational resources](#), [testing data](#) and [planning guidance](#) so that your Municipality can contribute to a healthier built environment for its citizens.

How can your Municipality take action on radon?

All levels of government can take action to help reduce the risk of radon exposure, from planning and policy to education and enforcement. Thank you to all those who are already taking action. Here are a few more ideas to kick start your municipality's 2024 radon action plan:

- Include [radon information](#) on your website
- Run a regional awareness [campaign](#)
- [Lend](#) electronic radon monitors
- [Test](#) public buildings
- Participate in the [100 Radon Test Kit Challenge](#). Applications are currently open for participation in the Fall 2024 campaign!
- Educate and enforce radon provisions in existing Building Code and consider options to [exceed the minimum requirement](#)

Our [Radon Action Guide of Municipalities](#) and [Radon Action in Municipal Law](#) guides have more information.

Whether you take one step or build a complete radon action plan, Health Canada is here to support taking action on radon for healthier communities. You can contact me anytime, I will also be at the Spring AMM Convention (Booth 102; City Square) if you would like to connect in person.

Looking forward to working with you in 2024,

Sandy

Sandy Hutchison

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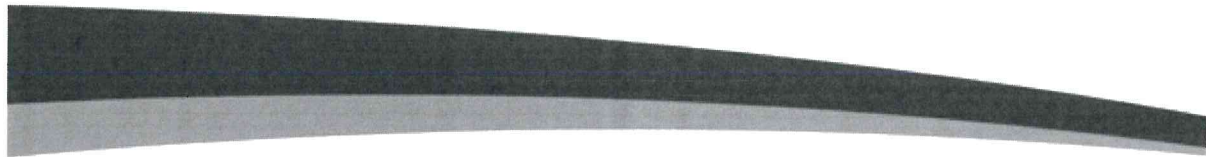
Contacts from Manitoba Municipal Relations [Municipal Officials Directory 2024](#)

Norma Will

From: Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation <no-reply@masc.mb.ca>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2024 9:35 AM
To: Norma Will
Subject: FSTR Correction: What we meant to say



Correction for the 2023 Farmland School Tax Rebate Program Deadline



We would like to provide clarification on an email that was sent on March 5, 2024. The correction to the email is as follows and should read:

*The **2023** property taxes including any interest or penalties must be paid in full by March 31, **2024*** or earlier.*

Apologies for any confusion this may have caused.

**In the instance where a deadline day falls on the weekend, the deadline has been pushed to the next working day. The typical deadline date for Farmland School Tax Rebate applications is March 31 (April 2 in 2024).*

Need more Information?



For further information or assistance regarding the Farmland School Tax Rebate, please contact your nearest MASC Service Centre.

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From: Speakers Manitoba DMC <speakers@manitobadmc.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2024 6:46 PM
Cc: amm@amm.mb.ca
Subject: Manitoba Disaster Management Conference - October 16-18, 2024 - Call for Speakers
Attachments: MDMC 2024 Speaker Proposal Letter.pdf; MDMC 2024 Speaker Proposal.pdf

Good evening Manitoba Municipalities.

The next Manitoba Disaster Management Conference (MDMC) is scheduled for October 16-18, 2024 at the Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

This is to advise that the MDMC Executive Committee is now accepting the Call for Speakers for MDMC 2024 – please see attached letter and Speaker Proposal.

Please forward this Call for Speakers to your staff, or anyone else that you think might be interested in being a speaker at MDMC 2024.

Submissions to be emailed to speakers@manitobadmc.com with subject title “**MDMC 2024 Speaker Session Proposal**” by **May 1, 2024**.

For more information on MDMC, please check out our website at www.manitobadmc.com

Thank you.

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Re: Call for Speakers for the Upcoming Manitoba Disaster Management Conference (MDMC) 2024

You have an opportunity to inform, enlighten and discuss the art and science of disaster management as a presenter at the MDMC 2024 scheduled for October 16-18, 2024 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The conference will once again feature keynote presentations, breakout sessions which offer a more in-depth exchange of ideas through question and answer periods, and interactive workshops.

We welcome your ideas and have provided more information in the attached Speaker Proposal document.

Discuss situations in which you and your organization have found the ingenuity and energy to deal with the challenges of a disaster or elements of an emergency. Share your success or perhaps significant lessons learned.

This conference brings together between 400 and 500 delegates including emergency preparedness planners, educators, health professionals, policy makers, leaders from Indigenous communities, business continuity planners, and elected officials.

We usually have media interest in the conference.

Please forward this Call for Speakers to your staff, or anyone else you think might be interested in being a speaker at MDMC 2024.

The deadline for submissions is **May 1, 2024**. Please email submissions to speakers@manitobadmc.com with subject title "MDMC 2024 Speaker Session Proposal" by May 1, 2024. Your submission **must include** the following information for inclusion on the conference website and brochure:

- **Title of Session & short description of session** for use in brochure
 - **Biography** (limited to 75 words, including speaker's title for use in brochure)
 - **Photo** (1.5 x 1.5 in jpeg format, high resolution 300dpi)
- (Proposals sent in without the above information will not be considered).**

The MDMC Executive Committee will review all speaker proposal submissions on May 14, 2024; all submitters will be notified by email by May 31, 2024.

Sincerely,

MDMC Executive Committee

Attachment



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Speaker and Session Proposals

Manitoba Disaster Management Conference 2024

October 16 – 18, 2024

**Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park
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Statement of Purpose for the Manitoba Disaster Management Conference (MDMC):

To increase the level of emergency preparedness in Manitoba and promote the principles of disaster management planning and public awareness by:

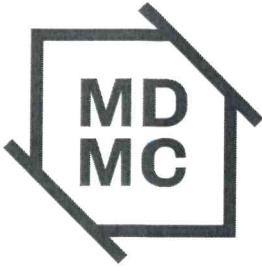
- Sharing experiences
- Showcasing technologies
- Providing information, tools and solutions to problems
- Creating network opportunities

Conference Background Information:

Participants have the opportunity to network and develop strategic relationships with disaster coordinators and managers. The conference continues to address the issue of how interests and challenges in emergency planning often differ between communities in terms of population size, geography and community specific hazards and culture.

Conference participants will include:

- Municipal, Provincial, First Nations & Federal Emergency Officials
- Emergency/First Responders
- Emergency Communication Personnel
- Emergency Health Officials
- Elected Officials
- Not-for-profit Sectors
- All others who play an important role in emergency management



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Session Proposal, Requirements & Guidelines

If you have some knowledge to share with Manitoba delegates within the disaster management fields mentioned above, please submit your abstract today. Or if you know of someone who might be interested in presenting, please pass this on.

Session Information:

Should contain no more than 150 words, and must include presentation title, learning objectives and must be commercial free (see page 3).

Where applicable, presentations should address:

- Delegates largely from Manitoba
- Issues that affect a particular aspect of disaster management
- Lessons learned and not learned
- Solutions both proven and potential to the issues faced

Presentation formats:

- Keynote sessions:** 1 hour address for all attendees and should have a broad appeal
- Breakout sessions:** 1 hour of a more in-depth nature and allow time for Q&A within the 1-hour timeframe.
- Workshop sessions:** are more group participative and interactive with a 2.5-hour block of time allotted.

Submission Deadline: May 1, 2024

Submissions to be emailed to speakers@manitobadmcc.com with subject title **“MDMC 2024 Speaker Session Proposal.”**

Selection Criteria:

The MDMC Executive Committee will review all presentations on **May 14, 2024** – selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Topic and relevance to the delegate base
- Focus on future trends, lessons, tools and recommended solutions to problems
- Concise statement of the benefits of your presentation to attendees
- Speaker’s expertise, knowledge and ability to challenge delegates
- Presentation experience of speaker (you may wish to list references to be contacted)
- Absence of commercial sales content for services or products



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Review Process:

- All submitters will be notified by email by **May 31, 2024**. Please note that reviewer comments will not be supplied to proposal submitters.
- All speaker proposals ***must include*** the following additional information for inclusion on the conference website and brochure:
 1. **Title of Session & short description of session for use in brochure**
 2. **Biography:** Limited to 75 words, including speaker's title for use in program
 3. **Photo** 1.5 x 1.5 in jpeg format, high resolution 300dpi
(Proposals received without the required information will not be considered).
- Final presentations must be submitted by **September 27, 2024** in PowerPoint or MS Word format (for MDMC Executive Committee review purposes only; presentations will NOT be posted).

Speaker Terms and Conditions:

- By submitting a session abstract, submitters grant the MDMC Executive Committee permission to reproduce and distribute materials, and post pictures taken during the conference on the MDMC website.



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SPEAKER INFORMATION SHEET

Event: MDMC 2024
Dates: **October 16 -18, 2024**
Location: Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Name: _____

Company/Organization/Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province/State: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Please provide the title of your presentation, along with a short description of the session content (this must be included with your proposal).

Please indicate the preferred format for this presentation:

Breakout Session Keynote Speaker Workshop Session

Please indicate the preferred audience size for your presentation: _____

Does your session include?

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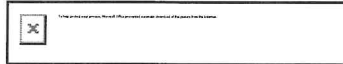
Please provide no more than 2 descriptive paragraphs of the content of your presentation and/or 6 to 10 point-form objectives. Please attach.

Please provide no more than 3 paragraphs describing your background and expertise in terms of providing this particular presentation and presentation experience. Please attach.

Please note that all confirmed speakers will be gifted one free registration to the entire conference (non-transferrable).

Joni Swidnicki

From: Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba <kmelnychuk@stewardshipmanitoba.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2024 7:58 AM
To: Joni Swidnicki
Subject: Full EPR News, plus New Ways to Promote Recycling.



Draft Transition Plan for Full EPR Update

Manitoba Environment and Climate Change has established a Ministerial advisory committee of key stakeholders and subject matter experts, such as municipalities, industry, government agencies, and environmental organizations, to facilitate discussion and develop solutions for a smooth transition to full EPR with no disruption to residential blue bin services.

The advisory committee will meet throughout the Spring of 2024 to identify opportunities to enhance the transition plan in a written report to Manitoba Environment and Climate Change by Summer 2024.

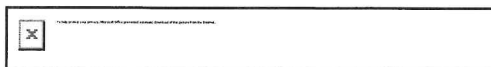
To stay current and informed about the province's transition to full EPR, [please sign up to receive updates here](#).

New Information Now Available

[Draft MSA & SoWs available to view](#)

[Full EPR Decision Tree for Communities](#)

[Update on Draft Transition Plan – AMM Fall Convention 2023 Presentation](#)



Easily Promote Recycling with Our 2024 Communications Toolkit

MMSM's communications toolkit is designed to help you save time and improve communications with your residents about recycling, increase community recovery rates, and reduce contamination.

The toolkit has monthly ready-to-post social media content – including captions, images, and videos. There are also tips to promote recycling and educate residents in other ways, like including a recycling guide when you send out the next water bill.

[Get the toolkit here](#)

If you need additional support, please contact Michelle Pereira, Director of Marketing and Communications at mpereira@stewardshipmanitoba.org.

New Opportunity to Use your In-Kind Advertising Credits

Background: Members of News Media Canada (NMC) and Manitoba Community Newspapers Association (MCNA) contribute newspaper advertising credits to participating communities in lieu of cash funding for their residential recycling programs.

We understand it can be challenging for rural communities to use their credits in local papers.

The Winnipeg Free Press's and Brandon Sun's digital news platforms receive substantial traffic from readers in rural communities. [The In-Kind Program Guide](#) now includes readership metrics of these platforms by community.

Check the guide (p.23-24) to see if using your credits on digital ads could be an effective way to reach your residents.

Here is an example of a digital ad:



Would your community staff benefit from an In-Kind Program Webinar?

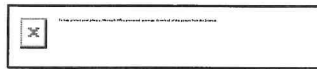
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We will follow up if you click "Yes".

Meet the Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba Team

Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba has a dedicated team of professionals, all driven by a shared commitment to empowering Manitoba communities with the tools and guidance necessary to effectively execute successful residential recycling programs.



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Dates to Remember



April 10-11

MMSM will have a booth at the [AMM Spring Trade Show](#) in Brandon. Please stop by and visit us.

April 16

Submission deadline for 2023 cost-monitoring surveys (CMS).

If you have any questions about CMS, please email Kalin McDonald, Manager, Field Services at kmcdonald@stewardshipmanitoba.org.

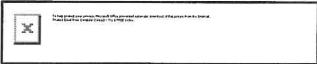


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MUNICIPAL AND NORTHERN RELATIONS

**Important Notice to
All Elected Officials and Chief Administrative Officers**

Winnipeg Pipeline Repair Event

Manitoba EMO is coordinating the Manitoba government's response to Imperial Oil Ltd.'s ongoing maintenance work on a pipeline that runs between Gretna and a Winnipeg terminal that provides gasoline, diesel, and jet fuel to customers in Winnipeg and the surrounding area.

Imperial Oil's decision to shut down the pipeline and undertake repairs was made after preventative maintenance and proactive pipeline inspections identified integrity concerns in a section of pipe just south of St. Adolphe. The line was not compromised, and no materials were spilled into the environment. The province is engaged in oversight of the repair work to ensure necessary precautions are taken to protect the surrounding environment.

The Manitoba government issued a [Petroleum Bulletin](#), which contains additional details on this event. Additional bulletins may be issued as the situation evolves.

Manitoba EMO advises you to reach out to your Regional Emergency Manager should you have additional questions about this work.

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MUNICIPAL AND NORTHERN RELATIONS

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Revised Planning Act Handbook Reflecting Legislation Currently in Effect

Manitoba Municipal and Northern Relations has released Version 2.0 of The Planning Act Handbook to reflect all remaining legislative amendments passed and proclaimed under The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act (S.M. 2022, c.27) as of September 1, 2023.

The Planning Act Handbook provides a general plain language overview and summary of The Planning Act, which establishes the legal framework for planning in Manitoba excluding the City of Winnipeg, whose planning framework is established under Part 6 of The City of Winnipeg Charter.

The purpose of the Handbook is to help communities navigate land use planning processes and guide municipalities and planning districts in completing the minimum requirements for land use planning as required in The Planning Act. The Planning Act Handbook can be downloaded from the department's website here:

https://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/land_use_dev/pubs/the_planning_handbook.pdf

Key changes to The Planning Act now incorporated into Version 2.0 of the Handbook include:

- The enabling of planning regions, including the Winnipeg Metropolitan Region;
- New mandates for planning regions, including authorities granted to planning region boards, and requirements regarding the adoption of regional plans;
- Clarification of timelines for application processing and planning appeals, including the ability to extend with the agreement of the applicant;
- Changes to deadlines to The Municipal Board for appeals concerning subdivisions, aggregate quarries and large-scale livestock operations; and
- Changes to extensions allowed for an approved variance.

In addition, this revised version of the Handbook further enhances clarity to existing sections based off of feedback received from various users since its initial release, as well as from an internal review of the guide.

It is the department's intention to maintain the Handbook as a living document, with regular updates to ensure it reflects up-to-date legislation and addresses pertinent land use planning issues. Municipalities and planning districts are welcome to provide suggestions for improvements to the Community Planning Branch (contact information below).

A French translation is currently in development, and will be posted on the website when complete.

If you have questions regarding The Planning Act or accessing and using The Planning Act Handbook, please contact your Community Planning Branch office:

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From: Rural Manitoba Economic Development Corp. <events-rmedcorp.ca@shared1.ccsend.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 4, 2024 11:31 AM
To: Norma Will
Subject: WEBINAR - Pathways and Perspectives on Rural Immigration



Greetings,

I hope this email finds you well. We are pleased to invite you to an upcoming webinar focused on economic development through immigration. This event offers a unique opportunity to explore the dynamics of immigration programmes across rural Manitoba.

Webinar Details:

- Topic: Pathways and Perspectives on Rural Immigration: Stories and Lessons from Communities
- Date: April 11, 2024
- Time: 10 am - 11:30 am CST
- Location: Virtual, register **HERE**

Our panel features representatives from communities at the forefront of implementing rural immigration programmes or those preparing to launch such initiatives. This session provides an unparalleled opportunity to hear directly from those who have navigated the complexities of rural immigration, sharing their successes and challenges.

We look forward to your participation in what promises to be an informative and inspiring session.

Regards,

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Topic

Pathways and Perspectives on Rural Immigration:

Stories and Lessons from Communities

The Panel Discussion will be moderated by Don Boddy of the Manitoba Association of Newcomer Serving Organizations. (MANSO)

📅 Thursday, April 11th

🕒 10:00AM - 11:30AM CST

Format: **Virtual**

features

Strategies for successful rural immigration and economic growth. Overcoming challenges & fostering community growth. The economic and cultural benefits of immigration for rural communities. Reserve your spot for insights into building vibrant, inclusive rural communities.



Maria Christine Diores (EDO)
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out rural Manitoba.



Mark Sawatzky (Winkler)
He specializes in regional approaches
to immigration as part of Manitoba's
province-wide strategy. Mark brings a
unique perspective on how localized
efforts contribute to broader economic
development



Stephen Chychota (Dauphin)
Advocating for community
enhancement through diverse
local initiatives.



Shelly Voth (Morden)
Spear-heading labour solutions
and economic growth through
immigration.



Stephanie Harris (EDO)
Town of Altona and Municipality
of Rhineland Stephanie is pivotal
in managing the Rural and
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Don Boddy (Moderator)
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