

Urban Update



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SUMA Replay: Illuminating the Path to Reconciliation

Saskatchewan's hometowns have the opportunity to build new relationships and foster inclusive communities by responding to the [Truth and Reconciliation Commission's calls to action](#). Taking the first step on the path to reconciliation can be tough though, and there's no one way.

At Convention 2018, a panel of municipal leaders reflected on their community's journey towards reconciliation, and now we are bringing that panel discussion to you online. SUMA members are invited to join us **April 4 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**, to see the video recording of the education session *Illuminating the Path to Reconciliation*. For those who may have missed the discussion at Convention, or those who want to know more about reconciliation, now is your chance. [Register now!](#)

Convention 2018: Sessions on Youtube

Recordings from Convention 2018 are now available for viewing on the web. Visit our [Convention 2018 playlist](#) on YouTube to see the full list.

Convention 2019: Theme Ideas

The Convention 2018 theme, *The Power of Hometowns*, was a huge success. Now we're looking for the next great idea to set the tone for 2019, and we want to hear from you!

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New SUMAdvantage Programming


SUMAdvantage
Your first call for savings

Be prepared to save even more time, and money, with our expanding group purchasing program.

We are partnering with our sister organizations to bring you more options for capital purchases. From fire trucks to grader blades, we

If you have a theme idea, please email it to events@suma.org. We greatly value your suggestions, and read every one. Plus, if you submit a theme idea, you will be entered to win two tickets (\$120 value) to the President's Banquet held Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

PST Survey Deadline Extended

The deadline to complete SUMA's PST Impact Survey has been extended.

Our short survey, designed to find out how PST on construction has affected Saskatchewan's hometowns, will now be open until April 9. Take the [survey here](#).

Seniors Mechanism Award Nominations

As our Convention 2018 keynote Doug Griffiths said, seniors are community builders.

To celebrate those who are making a difference in their community, the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism is once again accepting [nominations](#) for their annual Celebrating Seniors Volunteer Awards. Older adults have the chance to be recognized in one of [13 categories](#).

Nominations are being accepted until **June 1**.

Stop the Spread of Invasive Mussels

Invasive mussels such as zebra and quagga mussels pose a serious threat to lakes and waterways in western Canada. The mussels are almost impossible to eliminate once they become established, and they also have the potential to harm aquatic habitats, fisheries, recreational resources and water-related infrastructure.

The [2018 Saskatchewan Adult Invasive Mussel Monitoring \(AIMM\) Program](#) is designed to stop the spread of invasive mussels in Saskatchewan.

Interested in participating in the AIMM program? [Learn more online](#), or contact the Ministry of Environment by

now have you covered. On top of that, we are also working to introduce a new purchasing model that will help communities looking to purchase small commodities.

Stay tuned for more details as we focus on bringing you even more advantages with SUMAdvantage.

For a complete list of member programs, visit [SUMAdvantage](#) online or email [Lisa Rawlings](mailto:Lisa.Rawlings@suma.org) at SUMA with any questions.

Classifieds

Positions Available

Town of Oxbow: Recreation Facilities Managers (March 29)

Urban Systems: Community Planner (March 29)

SUMA: Municipal Procurement Agent (April 1)

Village of Carievale: Administrator (April 1)

City of Yorkton: Tradesman (April 6)

City of Yorkton: Capital Projects Manager (April 6)

Town of Midale: Administrator (May 15)

Town of Outlook and RM of Rudy: Administrative Assistant/Financial Officer (When filled)

Town of Coronach: Foreman (When filled)

Village of Meath Park: Administrator (When filled)

Funding: Last Chance to Apply for Community Airports

Is your community airport in need of upgrades? Funding is available to eligible communities through the Community Airport Partnership (CAP) Program. CAP is accepting applications until Friday, **March 30**. Find out more by reading the 2018-19 CAP program and application guidelines on the Government of Saskatchewan [CAP webpage](#). If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Cook at 306-933-5947.

National Building Code Workshop

The [Building Standards and Licensing Branch](#) will be hosting a free workshop in April to provide a better understanding of the National Building Code and National Fire Code.

The workshop is being held in **Prince Albert April 11**. Based on provisions of the National Building Code 2015, the presentation will cover:

- Fire dampers/smoke dampers
- Integrated systems testing of fire protection and life safety systems
- Residential fire and life safety warning systems
- Professional design and structural compliance
- Saskatchewan amendments

The workshop will be of interest to building owners and managers, service providers, program consultants, industry, municipal officials, fire officials, designers and all other code users. However, space is limited. To register, complete and return the [registration form](#) to the Building Standards and Licensing Branch by **April 4**.

Asset Management Workshops for Gas Tax Funding

There is still an opportunity to sign up for an [in-person workshop](#) that addresses asset management requirements for Gas Tax Funding.

City of Melville: Controller (When filled)

For Sale

Town of Maidstone: Equipment

Town of Strasbourg: Dump Truck

Find the latest listings by visiting the [SUMA Classifieds](#) section of our website, under the Programs and Services tab.

Have a position to fill or an item to sell? [Submit your ad](#) on our website.

Grants

Upcoming Deadlines

- Farm Credit Canada *AgriSpirit Fund* (March 29)
- Government of Saskatchewan *Community Airport Partnership Program* (March 30)
- Community Initiatives Fund *Community Grant Program* (April 1)
- Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association *Community Cultural Diversity Inclusion Grant* (April 1)
- SaskCulture *Multicultural Initiatives Fund* (April 2)
- Veterans Affairs Canada *Community War Memorial Funding* (April 2)

For a full listing of grants, check the [Grants](#) section of our website under the Resources tab.

About Us

A total of 12 workshops are happening across the province. The workshops, designed for municipal staff and elected officials, are taking place now until the end of April. Registration is required.

It is strongly recommended that all workshop participants attend the one hour webinar "[Aging Infrastructure in Saskatchewan is a Major Challenge](#)." The next free webinar is happening **April 9**.

Get all the details and sign up to be the first to hear about new sessions from [Asset Management Saskatchewan](#).

Thank you for reading the Urban Update this week. We welcome your comments.

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