

# Urban Update



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## SUMA Webinar: Routes to Road Renewal

Register now for our next SUMA webinar, "Routes to Road Renewal," happening **May 30 at 10:00 a.m.**

In this one-hour session, Associated Engineering will review the design and construction process used for rehabilitation or replacement of roadways and sidewalks under Regina's Residential Renewal Program (RRRP). Though city based, the takeaways from the program are valuable to municipalities of any size. They will also review best practices and lead a discussion on funding mechanisms, street selection, and construction solutions.

For more information and to register, visit the [event listing](#) on our website.

## Climate Change Survey

At Convention 2018, Premier Scott Moe encouraged municipalities to promote initiatives that reduce their carbon footprint. The year before, SUMA members [resolved](#) that urban municipalities would take a leadership role in adopting carbon reduction strategies.

Is your municipality harnessing solar energy? Are your municipal facilities using energy efficient lighting? Let us know. [Take our short survey](#) and tell us how your municipality is reducing carbon emissions and building resilience, and how we can help.

If you have any questions, please contact our Policy and Legal Advisor [Steven Dribnenki](#).

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## EFAP for First Responders is Here!

First responders across Saskatchewan risk their lives to help people in need. But what resources are available when our responders need help? We now have a program designed to help firefighters, first responders, and their families.

SUMA's [Employee and Family Assistance Program \(EFAP\)](#) for **Volunteer Firefighters and First Responders (VFF)** officially launched May 1. The program, issued by Shepell, provides **immediate** and **confidential support** for any work, health, or life concern. Support is available 24/7/365 for concerns such as:

- Mental health struggles
- Addictions
- Relationship issues
- Financial worries

SUMA members who subscribe to Volunteer Firefighter and First Responders Insurance are eligible to [apply](#).

Contact Scott Meger by [email](#) or phone at 306-525-4390 for more information.

Make the **Holiday Inn Saskatoon Downtown** your first choice for SUMA Convention 2019. This state-of-the-art hotel is ideally located in the heart of the vibrant downtown core, across the street from TCU Place, Midtown Shopping Centre, and the YMCA.

This hotel conveniently offers free high-speed Internet, heated indoor pool, fitness center, and indoor heated parking. Whether you're travelling to Saskatoon for convention or leisure, make [this hotel](#) your first stop. SUMA member rates start at \$135.99.

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

## Gather to Golf

Summer is coming fast, so get ready for golfing season and take this opportunity to visit with fellow SUMA members! The Town of Hudson Bay is proud to be hosting the **30th Annual SUMA Golf Tournament** on **July 12 - 13** at the Hudson Bay Golf Club. Registration is open until Friday, June 15. See the [event listing](#) on our website for more information.

## And the Winner Is...



By renewing or subscribing to [Municipal World](#), members had the chance to win an education book set, valuable to any municipality. Congratulations to the winner, the Village of Lipton!

## Save the Date: SUMA Summer School

Sharpen your pencils (or charge your iPads) because class is back in session this summer! We are excited to be hosting SUMA Summer School with both **mayors and councillors** invited to take part. We are preparing an intensive leadership and governance workshop for the Class of 2018.

## Prevent the Spread of Invasive Mussels

Invasive mussels have the potential to harm water-related infrastructure, recreational resources, fisheries and aquatic habitats in Saskatchewan. Help prevent their spread by participating in the [2018 Saskatchewan Adult Invasive](#)

Registration will begin June 4, and school will be in session August 12-14. See the [event listing](#) on our website for more information.

## Sector Meeting and Workshop in Regina This Week

This Wednesday and Thursday, May 9 and 10, SUMA will be hosting the Town and Village Sector Meeting and Cannabis Legalization Workshop in Regina. The [itinerary and agenda](#) is now available. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Lunch with the Minister of Finance

Would you like to know more about the Saskatchewan government's vision for public and private capital investment in the province? Join the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies Saskatchewan (ACEC-SK) at the Travelodge Hotel and Conference Centre in Regina **June 7** as they host Finance Minister Donna Harpauer. Hear from Minister Harpauer, enjoy lunch, and then join ACEC-SK's Board of Directors as they lead this year's Annual General Meeting. [Registration](#) is open until June 1.

## Emergency Alert Test Wednesday

On **Wednesday, May 9 at 1:55 p.m.**, wireless devices across Saskatchewan will broadcast an emergency alert. But don't be alarmed, this is just a test.

Municipal officials are encouraged to invite residents to download the free SaskAlert app. And if your municipality is not yet participating in SaskAlert, or if you would like more information, visit [saskalert.ca](http://saskalert.ca).

## Host a Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP) in Your Hometown

[Mussel Monitoring.\(AIMM\) Program.](#)

Interested in participating? Learn more [online](#), or contact the Ministry of Environment by phone at 1-800-567-4224 or [email](#).

## Classifieds

### Positions Available

*Grandview Municipality (Man.): CAO* (May 8)

*City of Melfort: Fire Chief* (May 10)

*District of Lakeland No. 521: Development Officer* (May 10)

*Town of Midale: Administrator* (May 15)

*Town of La Ronge: Treasurer* (May 25)

*Town of Alameda: Assistant Town Foreman* (May 26)

*Town of Lashburn: Assistant Administrator* (May 31)

*Resort Village of Grandview Beach: Administrator* (June 4)

*Town of Alameda: Administrator* (June 8)

*City of Lloydminster: Senior Manager, Planning and Development* (June 20)

*Village of Meath Park: Administrator* (When filled)

### For Sale

*Town of Maidstone: Equipment*

Would you like to bring municipal leadership training to your community this fall? The Municipal Leadership Development Program invites interested communities to email the Program Administrator, [Amy Roettger](#). You can host a module on your own or join up with neighbouring municipalities.

The MLDP is a series of modules or workshops that target specific issues of importance to urban, rural, and northern municipalities in Saskatchewan. Mayors, councillors, and municipal staff interested in strengthening leadership in their local government are encouraged to attend and complete the modules. For more information on the modules, please visit [www.mldp.ca](http://www.mldp.ca).

## Capacity Building: Municipal Management Essentials (MME)

Municipal Management Essentials (MME) workshops are happening this spring. These upcoming workshops are ideal for municipal employees and council members.

### [Conducting Effective Meetings](#)

May 14, Regina

Have you ever attended a meeting where it seemed nothing was accomplished? Most meetings are unproductive due to the lack of planning, execution, or follow-up. This seminar will focus on the three key stages of holding a meeting and how to ensure your meeting is productive and successful.

### [Presentation Skills](#)

June 4 - 5, Saskatoon

In any business environment we are constantly called upon to make presentations. Whenever you make a presentation, it reflects on you as a professional. This course will provide you with the tools you need to ensure your presentations are effective. You will have an opportunity to plan, prepare for, and make a presentation in front of a group.

See the latest [schedule](#) for additional workshops from Southeast College. **Call 1-866-999-7372 to register.**

### [Town of Watrous: Ice Resurfacer](#)

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

- Government of Canada [Low Carbon Economy Challenge Champions Stream](#) (May 14)
- Government of Canada [Enabling Accessibility Fund](#) (May 24)
- Saskatchewan [Community Literacy Fund](#) (May 24)
- TD [Friends of the Environment Fund](#) (July 15)

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

## About Us

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

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