

URBAN Update

June 18, 2018



Last Chance to Register for the Cannabis Legalization Webinar

SUMA's Cannabis Legalization webinar is happening tomorrow at 10 a.m. And there's still time to [register!](#)

Join SUMA's Sean McKenzie and Steven Dribnenki as they speak about the responsibilities hometowns have as we move toward cannabis legalization. Also learn about the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Municipal Guide to Cannabis Legalization and how it integrates with the province's cannabis framework.



SUMA Summer School Registration Now Open!

Registration is now open for the SUMA Summer School Class of 2018! Mayors and councillors, don't miss your chance to take part in this exciting two-and-a-half-day leadership and governance workshop that will fill your toolkit with new skills, knowledge, and networks. Join your colleagues at the University of Regina Campus on **August 12-14, 2018**.

For event details, including a draft agenda and a link to the registration page, visit the [event listing on our website](#) . Register by the **July 6** early-bird deadline to save money and be entered for a chance to win free registration.



SUMA Climate Change Survey

The results are in from SUMA's climate change survey and hometowns are doing some great things to reduce carbon emissions and build resiliency!

As Premier Moe said at Convention 2018, "we have a very strong story to tell here in the province of Saskatchewan, and we need to shout it from the rooftops." [Check out](#) some stories from our hometowns!

Thank you to all the municipalities who participated in the survey, your input was invaluable.

If you have an innovative project that's promoting resiliency in your hometown, [let us know](#).

Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Funding

Does your municipality have a large-scale project in mind that would help your community better withstand a natural disaster?

Apply for the [Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund](#) .

The national program will invest \$2 billion in projects that help communities better withstand hazards like floods, wildfires, earthquakes, and droughts.

Submit your [Expression of Interest](#) to Infrastructure Canada before **July 31, 2018** to be considered.

Find Professionals Easily

Starting the search for professionals can be a daunting task. SUMA has you covered with the [Professional Services Directory](#). Check the directory if you're looking for: communications and advocacy services; HR and labour relations consultants; community planners; lawyers; accountants; project managers; municipal engineers; or management consultants and strategic planners.

Redeveloping Brownfields

Want to learn how to redevelop brownfield sites in your community?

[Register](#) for the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) webinar happening **June 20 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. EDT**. Discover key steps for redeveloping your community's brownfield, from developing a strategy and implementing solutions to learning how to track your successes.

Green Municipal Fund

Apply by **August 1, 2018** for funding through the [Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Green Municipal Fund](#).

The fund provides capital for innovative environmental projects that improve the quality of the air, water, and land in your municipality.

The next deadline to apply is March 1, 2019.

Grants in Lieu

The 2018-19 provincial budget announced that SaskPower and SaskEnergy would pay grants-in-lieu of property taxes on non-linear owned real estate in Saskatchewan.

The government is currently working to identify which properties will be considered for grants in lieu of taxes, and information is expected to be shared in the coming weeks.

New Shipping Prices

SUMA is proud to help members save time and money through our SUMAdvantage programming. And we continue to look for ways to bring you savings. But due to rising fuel surcharges, SUMA has implemented **new pricing** for two of our programs.

Effective today, June 18, SUMA has introduced new pricing for our shipping labels and election supply programs. The price changes reflect Canada Post's increasing fuel surcharge, which has increased to 11.5 per cent from seven per cent last year.

Shipping labels, which come in packages of 25, are now:

Xpresspost

Up to 1.36 kg: \$326.58

Over 1.37 kg: \$423.79

Priority Post

Up to 1.36 kg: \$439.62

Over 1.37 kg: \$571.00

Prices include shipping and handling, and are subject to GST.

For the election supply program:

- Shipping and handling for ballot orders will be \$30 plus applicable taxes.
- Election supply orders with forms, paper seals, metal seals, or pencils will be a minimum of \$20.
- Election supply orders containing ballot boxes and/or polling booths will be a minimum of \$30.

Though prices are increasing, these programs continue to save you money. For example, shipping an 8x8x5 inch parcel weighing more than 1.37 kilograms from Kindersley to Regina would cost \$22.60 through Canada Post. But with SUMAdvantage, you pay \$16.95, a **savings of more than \$5**. And that's just for one parcel!

Have a question? Please contact [Lisa Rawlings](#).



Get Your New Account Number for Better Shipping Rates

Since Purolator joined our partner program on courier services, members have been praising the savings and the convenient [e-Ship Online service](#). However, in order to save, there is one important piece of information to note:

You must set up a new [SUMAdvantage account with Purolator](#) to save up to 60 per cent on courier shipments, even if you are an existing customer. Or email [Lisa Rawlings](#) to set up an account on your behalf.

After setting up your account, a Purolator representative will contact you within 24-48 hours to confirm you will receive the new SUMA rates.

Visit the [SUMAdvantage Purolator page](#) and sign up today!

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



Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendars

- SUMA Webinar - Cannabis Legalization (June 19)
- 30th Annual SUMA Golf Tournament (July 12-13)
- SUMA Summer School (August 12-14)

SUMA Event Insight

Convention 2019 planning is well underway, and we want to know what type of education sessions you would like to see. Take our short, two question survey and tell us what interests you!

[Take the Survey](#)



Classifieds

Positions Available

- Northern Village of Buffalo Narrows: *Public Works Foreman* (June 29)
- City of Yorkton: *Water and Sewer Systems Manager* (July 1)



Grants

Upcoming Deadlines

- Employment and Social Development Canada: *New Horizons for Seniors Program* (June 22)
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities: *Climate Change Staff Grants* (June 29)

- City of Yorkton: *Community Safety Officer* (July 11)
- Town of Maidstone: *Public Works Position* (August 13)
- Town of Wynyard: *Public Works Positions* (When filled)

For Sale

- Town of Maidstone: *Equipment*

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.

- TD: *Friends of the Environment Fund* (July 15)
- Employment and Social Development Canada: *Enabling Accessibility in Workplaces and Communities* (July 26)
- Infrastructure Canada: *Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund* (July 31)
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities: *Green Municipal Fund* (August 1)

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

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

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