



Call for Submissions for SUMA Convention 2019

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Sunday, February 3 – Wednesday, February 6, 2019

SUMA is inviting proposals for education and breakout sessions at SUMA's 114th Annual Convention. We are looking for topics that are current and focused on key aspects of urban government that will be beneficial to elected officials and municipal administrators.

Being a presenter is an outstanding way to share your knowledge and expertise leading to professional visibility, recognition, credibility, and influence in the future of Saskatchewan's urban municipalities.

Who Attends?

Approximately 1,000 delegates attend the convention, including elected officials, city managers, and chief administration officers from cities, towns, villages, resort villages, and northern municipalities throughout Saskatchewan. Our annual convention is an event where municipal decision makers come to network, share leading practices, and find collaborative partners to support their communities moving forward.

Why Present?

- Great exposure for you and your organization as professional leaders
- Contribute to elevate the knowledge base of Saskatchewan's municipal leaders
- Excellent networking opportunity
- Build relationships with SUMA, the voice of Saskatchewan's urban municipalities

Session Format

- Each session is 60-75 minutes, plus 15 minutes dedicated to questions and discussion.
- We provide two types of sessions during convention:
 1. Education sessions - delegates choose which sessions they would like to attend
 2. Breakout sessions - delegates are divided into three groups:
 - Cities
 - Towns and Villages
 - Northern Municipalities
- We encourage highly interactive methods to encourage learning, build delegates' confidence, and enhance the transfer of learning in their municipalities.

Session Objectives

The 2019 theme is *Hometown Advantage*. In hockey there's home ice advantage, the advantage that comes from the cheering fans, the familiar ice, and the other unique features that set that ice apart from any other. Those unique elements offer the team an edge to success. Saskatchewan's hometowns have the same advantage. And it is stronger when hometowns work together.

With the theme “Hometown Advantage,” SUMA will encourage members to embrace what sets their hometown apart and promote cooperation. Just as strong teams have key advantages, so do strong hometowns

We are looking for creative, out-of-the-box thinkers to come forward and share their knowledge. We are open to suggestions for topics; however, we have identified the following topics as main concerns to urban municipal government:

- Increasing Volunteerism in the Community
- Governance
- Crime Reduction/Prevention
- Reconciliation
- Carbon Emission Reduction
- Council Operations
- Workplace Harassment/Employment Law
- Recreation Facilities - Building or Renovating
- The Future of Solid Waste
- Regional Cooperation
- The Value of Water
- Leadership
- Engaging Youth/Seniors

Other Information

We will provide a complimentary one-day registration for the day of the presentation. As a not-for-profit association, SUMA does not typically provide honoraria for session presenters.

Selections will be made by the Convention Planning Committee based on a number of criteria, including topics and benefits to delegates.

Sessions are recorded and made available on YouTube after convention.

How to Apply

Please email this form to events@suma.org by September 5, 2018 to be considered for the 2018 SUMA Convention.



Submission Form for SUMA Convention 2019

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CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name of Organization:

Contact Person:

Title:

Telephone:

Email:

SESSION TITLE:

Please provide a session title that is creative, concise, and descriptive.

SESSION OVERVIEW:

Briefly describe the content and how it links to our theme and session objectives. (50-75 word maximum)

SESSION FORMAT:

Indicate your intended format (education or breakout session) and how you intend to make it interactive.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

List two or three learning outcomes and takeaways for the delegates.

MONETARY REQUIREMENTS:

Indicate honoraria for session presenters as well as any additional expenses such as travel, hotel, etc. to be covered by SUMA.

If your submission does not fit with Convention 2019, would you be interested in SUMA contacting you regarding other opportunities such as workshops, webinars, or articles in our quarterly publication?

YES

NO

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