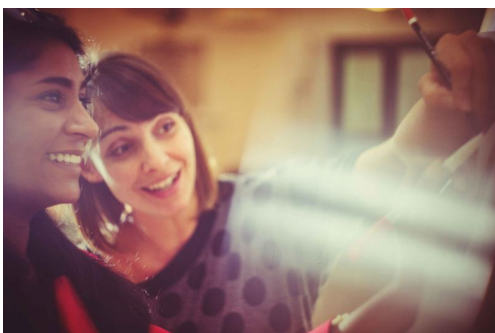


MUNICIPAL Update

January 25, 2021



Targeted Sector Support Initiative Now Accepting Applications

Applications are being accepted for Targeted Sector Support (TSS) Initiative funding now **until March 5**. TSS funding is a portion of Municipal Revenue Sharing (\$1.5 million per fiscal year) used to encourage inter-community collaboration and good governance in all Saskatchewan municipalities.

The TSS Initiative provides cost-shared grants for projects undertaken by two or more Saskatchewan communities which lead to:

- improved inter-community relationships and co-operation
- enhanced governance and administration
- increased governance and administrative capacity
- assistance for municipal transitions

Who can apply?

Applications for the cost-shared grant must be submitted by a municipal government established by or under provincial statute. Applicants must partner with other communities on proposed projects.

Other communities may include, but are not limited to, other municipalities, regional committees, district planning commissions, First Nations, organized hamlets, parks, etc.

[Read the application guide to learn more](#)

[Apply for Targeted Sector Support funding](#)



Announcing Municipalities of Saskatchewan's Executive Committee Candidates

Nominations for three positions on Municipalities of Saskatchewan's Executive Committee have now closed and there are a total of seven candidates running for the positions.

The candidates are:

President

- Gordon Barnhart - Mayor, Town of Saltcoats

- Rodger Hayward - Mayor, Town of Naicam

Vice-President of Towns

- Welma Bartel - Councillor, Town of Preeceville
- Kyle Bennett - Mayor, Town of Shaunavon
- Rennie Harper - Mayor, Town of Nipawin

Vice-President of Villages, Resort Villages and Northern Municipalities

- Jamie Brandrick - Mayor, Village of Borden
- Mike Strachan - Mayor, Village of Torquay

Elections for the three positions on Municipalities of Saskatchewan's Executive Committee will take place on February 8 during the 2021 Virtual Convention and Tradeshow.

Municipal Revenue Sharing Declaration of Eligibility

Declaration Process

November 13
Receive Declaration of Eligibility via email

January 31
Deadline to submit the declaration

Declaration Results

- Full compliance with all eligibility requirements
Your municipality will receive its Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant, unless otherwise notified.
- Incomplete declarations or not meeting all eligibility requirements
There may be a disruption to your Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant payment. Please work to become compliant on all requirements.

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Eligibility Requirements

- #1 - AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT
 - #2 - WATERWORKS REPORTING (if applicable)
 - #3 - EDUCATION PROPERTY TAX - "IN GOOD STANDING"
 - #4 - COUNCIL PROCEDURES BYLAW
 - #5 - EMPLOYEE CODE OF CONDUCT
 - #6 - PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS*
- * See Declaration of Eligibility Guide for specific details.

Don't Miss the January 31 Deadline: Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant

To avoid your municipality's Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant for the 2021-22 year being withheld, ensure your municipality submits its online Declaration of Eligibility by **January 31** and that your municipality meets all eligibility requirements.

The unique link and password for the online Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant Declaration of Eligibility was emailed to each municipality on November 13. If you did not receive the email, email grcompliance@gov.sk.ca requesting the email be re-sent.

See the Declaration of Eligibility Guide and Infographic for more information



Friendly Reminder: 2021 Municipalities of Saskatchewan Membership Fees Due January 31

Municipalities of Saskatchewan membership fees for 2021 are due **this Sunday**. Renewing your membership for another year supports Municipalities of Saskatchewan's advocacy and capacity-building work, and gives you access to group programming to help you save money. We appreciate your support all year long.



MLDP Courses this Winter

New to municipal governance or want to brush up on the basics? Take a course designed specifically for Saskatchewan's municipal leaders. Learn about strategic planning, media relations, and more with the Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP).



Survey: Food Promotion in Recreation Facilities

Recreation personnel are invited to fill out an online survey on food promotion in recreation in Canada.

There are many ways in which food products, brands, or retailers may be promoted within recreation facilities.

Session Schedule:

February 17 and 18 - Municipal Economic Development Fundamentals (webinar)

February 17 and 18 - Human Resources in the Municipal Workplace (webinar)

February 24 and 25 - Strategic and Financial Planning for Municipalities (webinar)

February 24 and 25 - Public Relations and Communications for Municipalities (webinar)

Community and Land Use Planning - Online course.

Visit www.mldp.ca for more information on MLDP programming.

Municipalities of Saskatchewan is offering a **Municipal Leaders' Roles and Responsibilities (MLRR)** workshop, part of MLDP, on **March 2**. If you missed the MLRR workshop in December, now is your chance! This course is held following municipal elections every four years.

For example, corporate sponsors may display signs, donate equipment, or provide coupons or giveaways. The survey will explore the type, extent, source, and value of food promotion in your recreation facility.

You can **confirm your facility's eligibility** for the survey in less than five minutes by clicking on the link **before February 10**. If you are eligible and your facility agrees to participate, the survey, funded by Health Canada, will be emailed to you.

The survey is voluntary and individuals should participate in compliance with their organization's policies and procedures. Survey respondents can choose the "Prefer not to say" option for any questions which may be subject to organizational policies relating to disclosure of information.

The insight gained from this project will help recreation facilities, practitioners, and policymakers understand the state of food promotion in recreation facilities.

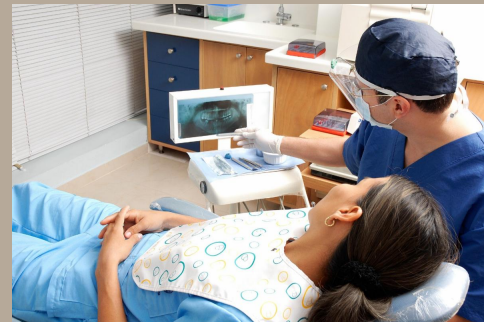
[Learn more about the survey.](#)



Registration for Regional and National Freshwater Forums Now Open

The Government of Canada is hosting regional and national freshwater forums. Registration for the forums is now open.

The **Regional Freshwater Forums** are being held across the country to engage stakeholders and the interested public on region-specific freshwater issues and provide an opportunity for participants to discuss their thoughts on opportunities to



Share Your Feedback on a Change to The Dental Disciplines Act

The Saskatchewan Ministry of Health is proposing an amendment to **The Dental Disciplines Act** to remove section 25 that prohibits dental hygienists, dental therapists, and dental assistants from practicing independently of dentists. This section also has a list of employers (including municipalities) that these dental professionals can work with on the condition that these employers have a referral or professional

improve freshwater management through the creation of a Canada Water Agency. The Prairies Freshwater Forum is taking place **February 18** from approximately **10:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. CT**

The National Freshwater Policy Forum (**January 27 to 28**, from **11:00 a.m. to 4:10 p.m. ET**) will involve discussion of key freshwater issues and opportunities identified in the [Discussion Paper "Toward the Creation of a Canada Water Agency."](#) It will also provide an opportunity to hear from leading experts, practitioners, and knowledge holders involved in managing and protecting freshwater on what they see as the greatest opportunities to improve freshwater management through the creation of a Canada Water Agency.

[Register here](#) to reserve your spot for the National Freshwater Policy Forum.

See [full event details](#) for both events.

relationship with a dentist.

[Read about the proposed change.](#) If you have any feedback or comments, submit them to Ya-Hong.Song@health.gov.sk.ca by **February 5.**



January is National Crime Stoppers Month

Did you know January is National Crime Stoppers Month? [Read the January update](#) from Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers and learn about the success of the provincial program in 2020.



Let No One Be Alone Week

Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism is inviting everyone in Saskatchewan to participate in Let No One Be Alone Week from **January 25 to January 31**. The week is dedicated to reaching out and connecting with older adults who live alone or in care facilities. [Learn more about the week.](#)

COVID-19 Update

Virtual Town Hall with the Saskatchewan Health Authority

At **3:00 p.m.** today the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) is hosting a COVID-19 virtual town hall for stakeholders to answer questions and cover topics such as:

- Epidemiological trends and projections;
- Pandemic response – Offensive and Defensive Strategies; and

- Vaccination Strategy.

To join this online event hosted by the SHA:

1. Go to <https://skhealth.webex.com/skhealth/j.php?MTID=eba458cb14cb46cf86f20436fb321def8>
2. Enter the event password: This event requires registration. After your registration has been approved, you will receive instructions for joining the event.
3. Click "Join Now".
4. Follow the instructions that appear on your screen to join the teleconference.

Can't make this event, but are interested in learning more? The SHA plans to host bi-weekly Vaccination Town Hall events, so watch your inbox for the next available date and time.

You can also [read the latest update from the SHA](#) to learn more about their COVID-19 response.

Events



Upcoming Events

Virtual Convention and Tradeshow
February 7-10

Municipal Leaders' Roles and Responsibilities
Virtual Workshop
March 2

VIRTUAL Convention and Tradeshow



Convention 2021

Last Chance to Submit Your Questions for the Bear Pit

For Convention 2021, we are asking delegates to submit written or video questions in advance of the Bear Pit. Video questions can be **60 seconds long**, and they will be played during the Bear Pit. Have a question but don't want to record a video? Submit a written question.

We will not be accepting questions live during the Bear Pit on February 10, so be

Submit your video
question

Submit your written
question

sure to submit your questions before **January 27**.

Registration System Closes Monday

If you're planning to attend Convention 2021, be sure to register before the registration system closes on **February 1**. Registrations will be accepted after February 1, but a **\$20 administration fee per delegate** will apply. Contact the Municipalities of Saskatchewan office directly to register after February 1.

To learn more about Convention 2021, check out the **Convention Brochure** and watch a short video from Convention Chair Randy Goulden



Have questions about Convention going virtual? See our **FAQ document** or watch our recorded webinar, **Convention and Elections: What You Need to Know**. You can also read the answers to some essential questions about Convention 2021 in our **Answering Convention Questions document**.

Get Ready For Resolutions

Prepare for the resolutions session at Convention 2021 by reviewing the **resolutions package**. Resolutions are our chance to get municipal issues in the spotlight with media and other orders of government. We encourage members to get familiar with the resolutions and the session procedures to make the most of our time - there are four resolutions this year.

Voting for resolutions, along with Municipalities of Saskatchewan's Executive Elections, will take place **electronically**.

The **unique link for voting in resolutions and the Executive elections will be sent directly to elected officials who are eligible to vote**. A test vote will be held at the beginning of February to ensure that all elected officials who are eligible to vote are able to access the voting platform. A second test vote will be held prior to the presidential election. Technical support staff will be available should an individual have trouble accessing or using the platform.

We encourage our municipal members who have delegates registered for Convention to ensure that email addresses for their delegates are accurate, as the link to vote, in

addition to the link to access the platform, will be sent out directly to registered delegates.

More information will be provided regarding voting when the test vote is sent out to all eligible voters.

Classifieds and Grants



Classifieds

Positions Available:

- Village of Pelly and Rural Municipality of St. Philips No. 301: *Joint Office Administrator* (January 29)
- Village of Viscount: *Administrator* (January 31)
- RM of Bratt's Lake and the Village of Wilcox: *Administrator* (February 1)
- Town of Assiniboia: *Chief Administrative Officer* (February 8)
- Resort Village of Kannata Valley: *Administrator* (February 8)
- Village of Leask: *Administrator* (February 15)
- Resort Villages of Shields and Thode: *Chief Administrative Officer* (February 15)
- Town of Stoughton: *Chief Administrative Officer* (February 15)
- Town of Oxbow: *Community Development Officer* (February 16)
- Village of Lang: *Acting Administrator* (When filled)

For Sale:

- *2002 Ford Econoline*
- *Well Pumps and Check Valve*

Have a position to fill or an item to



Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- Community Initiatives Fund *Summer Grant Program* (February 1)
- Government of Canada *Universal Broadband Fund* (February 15)
- SaskCulture Community *Cultural Engagement and Planning Grant* (February 16)
- SGI *Community Grant Program* (February 28)
- Government of Saskatchewan *Targeted Sector Support Initiative* (March 5)
- Government of Saskatchewan *Community Rink Affordability Grant* (March 12)
- SGI *Traffic Safety Fund Grant* (March 31)
- Investing In Canada Infrastructure Program *Green Stream – Landfill Decommissioning* (Applications accepted until funding fully allocated)
- Richardson International Ltd. *Community Donations* (Year round)

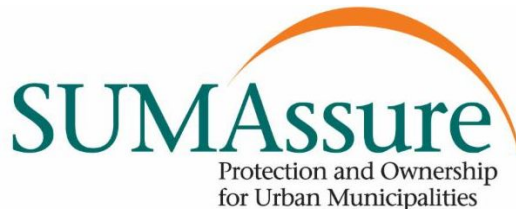
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[Book a meeting](#) on February 8 or 9. We look forward to meeting with you!

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