

MUNICIPAL Update

July 12, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 14

MuniCast Release - Episode 3: Governing Your Community with Malcolm Eaton

July 15

Webinar: Revitalizing Your Community with the Canada Community Revitalization Fund

August 11

MuniCast Release - Episode 4: Building Smart Communities with SaskTel

August 24-25

Virtual Mayors Summer School

See all [upcoming events](#).



Convention Moving to April

Convention is moving from February to April for 2022 and beyond.

Traditionally, the annual convention happens when Saskatchewan experiences the coldest weather of the year. Moving convention will offer better weather as well as provide us with a chance to create a better delegate experience. There is also a greater opportunity to explore and enjoy the host city. For 2022, an April convention also provides more time to plan and prepare as we come out of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The 2022 SUMA Convention will be a **full in-person event**, with the **theme Connect**. It will take place **April 3-6** in **Regina**.

[Read more](#)

Introducing the New SUMA Logo

Following a rebranding vote in June, we announced that we were transitioning back to SUMA. On June 25, during the regular Board of Directors Meeting, the Board selected a new logo to represent the association.



You will see this logo on everything we do, from our website to communications like *Municipal Update* and *Municipal Voice*. We will also be **continuing the use of the names *Municipal Update*, *Municipal Voice*, and *MuniCast*** for our publications and podcast, as the information is valuable to all of our hometowns as well as anyone who has an interest in municipal governance.

Webinar | SUMA | 07.15.21 | 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Revitalizing Your Community with the Canada Community Revitalization Fund

Sponsored by SUMAssure

Learn more about the Community Revitalization Fund July 15 10:00-11:00 a.m.

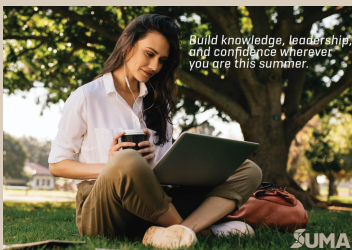
Shared public spaces are at the heart of communities, drawing in residents and visitors alike and supporting local businesses and jobs.

The Government of Canada announced new infrastructure funding to support these spaces. The **Canada Community Revitalization Fund** is a two-year, \$500 million national infrastructure program designed to revitalize communities across Canada. Municipalities and other public institutions, non-profit organizations, and Indigenous communities can apply for funding.

Applications for the fund opened June 23 and **applicants are strongly encouraged to apply by July 23.**

Join SUMA and Western Economic Diversification Canada on July 15 to learn more about this fund, including how your community can apply.

Register for the webinar Revitalizing Your Community with the Canada Community Revitalization Fund



Virtual Mayors Summer School August 24-25

Class is in session **August 24** and **25** as SUMA hosts **Virtual Mayors Summer School!** Hometown mayors are invited to take part in this unique experience that will build leadership, knowledge, and confidence.

Session topics will include:

- Leadership and governance
- Governing without administering
- Legal tangles
- Public relations

- Strategic planning
- Municipal best practices

Register by **July 23** to **save \$30** and be entered to **win a complimentary registration**.
After July 23, registration is **\$150 per person**.

Register for Mayors Summer School

Event Insight

Results

In the last edition of *Municipal Update* we asked "What is the best way to tell you about our events?" These are the results:

- Municipal Update - **71.4 per cent**
- Direct emails - **23.8 per cent**
- Social media - **4.8 per cent**
- The event listing on www.suma.org - **0 per cent**

New Poll

The 2022 SUMA Convention will be a full in-person event held in Regina from April 3-6, 2022. We would like to know:

How do you feel about returning to in-person events like Convention?

I'm excited for in-person events.

Select

I am nervous but will still be attending events in-person.

Select

I am not ready to attend in-person events and would prefer virtual.

Select

SGM Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant

Help make roads safer

The Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant program enables projects to reduce traffic collisions, injuries and fatalities in communities across Saskatchewan.

Approved projects are eligible to receive up to \$100,000 per location in funding for infrastructure projects or on equipment and community outreach programs to help improve traffic safety.

Priority areas of focus
 Projects need to address under priority areas. Some examples of traffic safety initiatives that are eligible for grant support are:

- impaired driving (alcohol, drugs)
- distracted driving (cellphone, laptop)
- occupant protection (seatbelts, car seats)
- speed management (including camera equipment for photo speed enforcement programs)
- vulnerable road users (pedestrians, motorcyclists, cyclists)
- intersection safety (losses/misuse, lights, signage)

Who can apply
 Applicants representing Indigenous bands or territories and urban or rural municipalities are encouraged to apply with their traffic safety initiatives.

How to apply
 Calls for new applications are open twice a year:

- January Through March
- July Through September

Request guidelines and additional information from the PSE Program Administrator by emailing PSEProgram@sgm.sk.ca or calling 1-844-TSA-2352 (1-844-826-2342), extension 6062.

Visit www.sask.ca/grantprograms for more information.

Apply today for grant funding!

The Province of Saskatchewan is an equal opportunity employer. The PSE Committee, which appoints members, includes representatives from 300: Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Highway, Saskatchewan Auditor, Director of Chiefs of Police, Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association, Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities and Police Officers' Association.

Saskatchewan

Apply for a Traffic Safety Grant

The Photo Speed Enforcement committee is accepting applications for the next round of Provincial Traffic Safety Fund grants.

National Invasive Species Municipal Expenditures Survey

Enquête sur les dépenses municipales associées aux espèces exotiques envahissantes

Invasive Species Centre | Centre des espèces envahissantes | Environment and Climate Change Canada | Environnement et Changement climatique Canada

Participate in the National Invasive Species Municipal Expenditures Survey

The introduction and spread of invasive species threatens the environment, the economy, and society, including human health. However, the true cost of invasive species to Canadian municipalities remains unknown. For this reason, the Invasive Species Centre and Environment and Climate Change Canada, with the support

The Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant program provides up to \$100,000 per location to municipalities and Indigenous land or territories. The goal of the fund is to stimulate and support local, collaborative action that will increase traffic safety awareness and reduce the frequency and severity of traffic injuries and fatalities within Saskatchewan.

The **deadline for applications** is **September 30**.

[Learn more and apply for a Traffic Safety Fund grant.](#)

of the federal-provincial-territorial Invasive Alien Species National Committee, are conducting a review of known economic costs of invasive species to municipal and local governments across Canada.

All municipalities in Canada are invited to report their expenditures, identify their priority species, and help contribute to this survey. Responses to this survey should be specific to the most recent fiscal year, to the best of your ability.

Take the **survey** before **July 31**. If you have any questions, contact **info@invasivespeciescentre.ca**.



Learn About Community and Land Use Planning with MLDP

The Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP) is a series of modules developed exclusively for elected and appointed municipal leaders in Saskatchewan. Mayors, reeves, councillors, and municipal staff are able to benefit from this program that is designed to strengthen local government leadership.

Modules open for registration:

Community and Land Use Planning - this online module covers a variety of topics including: the roles and responsibilities of council, administration, and the public; the creation, adoption, and amendment process for Official Community Plans and Zoning Bylaws; the subdivision process; servicing agreements; the development permit process; the development appeal board process; enforcing bylaws; the building permit process as well as regional planning.

To register, visit :

www.southeastcollege.org/courses/mlp-p-community-and-land-use-planning/



Air Management in Rinks and Recreation Spaces Webinar on Wednesday

As Saskatchewan moves into higher states of re-opening, the recreation industry needs to ensure it meets or exceeds the public's expectation of safe spaces. As the science evolves around the transmission of COVID and its variants, it is becoming more apparent the virus is spread by airborne transmission.

On **July 14**, from **9:00-10:30 a.m.**, the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association, in partnership with Cimco Refrigeration, is hosting a webinar on ventilation and indoor air quality for rinks and recreation spaces. The webinar will talk about ways to improve indoor air quality through utilization of existing building ventilation and alternatives when a building has little or no ventilation. The webinar will also address the lack of ventilation systems for smaller community rinks and what options are still available.

[Learn more.](#)



SAISIA Webinar: Organizational Re-opening Vaccine Information

The Saskatchewan Association of Immigrant Settlement and Integrational Agencies (SAISIA) is hosting a webinar on **July 13 at 10:30 a.m.**

The *Organizational Re-opening Vaccine Information Session* is designed for settlement service providing organizations in the province. [Register online.](#)

Save the Date: October Heritage Workshops

The Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport will be hosting its **Statement of Significance and Standards and Guidelines workshops** during the afternoons of **October 13 and 14**, respectively. The workshops will be delivered online and there is no registration fee.

Further details, including how to register, will be announced later this summer.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Town Hall with the Saskatchewan Health Authority

The next Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) virtual town hall focused on COVID-19 will be held **July 26 at 3:00 p.m.**

Registration is required to attend this event. When a link is made available, it will be provided.

The Stakeholder Town Hall Information Sessions have been changed from bi-weekly to **once per month** over the summer. The upcoming dates for these town hall sessions are **July 26** and **August 30** from **3:00 to 4:00 pm.**

[Read the latest update from the SHA](#)

Guidance for Step 3 of Saskatchewan's Re-opening Plan

On Sunday, July 11, all public health orders were removed. This includes the removal of the province-wide mandatory masking order, and the removal of limits on events and gathering sizes.

The Government of Saskatchewan has released guidance for step three of re-opening.

Masking

The public health order requiring masking indoors has ended, but masking will continue to be an option for all residents who wish to do so. Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated people should still consider masking.

It is the choice of an individual business or facility to implement their own masking policy. If entering a facility that requires a mask, patrons must respect the decision of the business and either comply or choose not to visit the establishment.

Businesses, Workplaces, and Schools

Policies regarding safe businesses and workplaces are determined by individual Occupational Health and Safety plans. Additional information for businesses and workplaces is available at www.saskatchewan.ca/step-3-business-workers-faq.

[Read the full article on step three guidance](#)

CLASSIFIEDS AND GRANTS



Classifieds

Positions Available:

- RM of Meota No. 468: *Administrative Assistant* (July 13)
- Village of Climax and RM of Lone Tree No. 18: *Chief Administrative Officer* (July 16)
- Town of Churchbridge: *Water Operator - Level 2* (August 8)
- Resort Village of Chorney Beach: *Administrator* (August 31)
- City of Meadow Lake: *City Engineer* (August 31)
- Town of Foam Lake: *CAO* (When filled)
- Town of Rocanville: *Public Works Foreman* (When filled)

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

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



Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- TD Bank *Friends of the Environment Fund* (July 15)
- Government of Canada *Canada Community Revitalization Fund* (July 23)
- SGI *Provincial Traffic Safety Fund Grant* (September 30)
- SGI *Community Grant Program* (October 31)
- Investing In Canada Infrastructure Program *Green Stream – Landfill Decommissioning* (Applications accepted until funding fully allocated)

Other:

- SaskPower *Rink Relief Program* (March 1 to September 1, 2021)

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

