

MUNICIPAL Update

November 16, 2020

Municipal Revenue Sharing - Declaration of Eligibility

The Ministry of Government Relations has emailed municipalities their unique link and password for the online Municipal Revenue Sharing (MRS) Grant Declaration of Eligibility. If you did not receive the email and it is not in your SPAM/JUNK folder, email the ministry at grcompliance@gov.sk.ca requesting the email be re-sent.

To avoid having your municipality's Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant for 2021-22 withheld, ensure your municipality submits its Declaration of Eligibility to the ministry and that your municipality meets all eligibility requirements. **The deadline for submission of the online Declaration of Eligibility is January 31, 2021.**

A completed declaration requires a resolution from council confirming the eligibility requirements the municipality meets. Therefore, administrators will want to include the Declaration of Eligibility on the November, December, or January council meeting agenda.

Read more about the eligibility requirements

Resources for New Councillors

Are you new to municipal government? Do you have new councillors? Check out these great resources from Municipalities of Saskatchewan.



Elected Officials Handbook

To assist council during their time on urban government we've once again produced an **Elected Officials Handbook** - a guide on who we are, what we do, what you can expect as an elected official, and what's expected of you. We've made the handbook electronic so you can take it anywhere you go.

Webinar: Open Forum on Council Operations

In this open forum, join Municipalities of Saskatchewan lawyer Bukola Afolabi and a Saskatchewan mayor and CAO for a discussion on council operations. Ask our three panelists experienced in municipal governance your council questions.



This webinar, happening at **10:00 a.m.** on **November 24**, is free to all Municipalities of

Register for the Open Forum on Council Operations



Municipal Leaders' Roles and Responsibilities Workshop

A part of the Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP), our Municipal Leaders' Roles and Responsibilities workshop is developed exclusively for elected and appointed municipal leaders in Saskatchewan. On **December 8**, learn about the council-administration dynamic, the importance of open, transparent government, municipal law, and more. See the [agenda](#) for more information.

If you can't make it to the session on December 8, Municipalities of Saskatchewan will be hosting a second session on **March 2**. More information will be available following Municipalities of Saskatchewan's 2021 Virtual Convention and Tradeshow.

Register for the MLRR workshop



New Cabinet Announced

Last week the Government of Saskatchewan released its new Cabinet, introducing a new Minister of Government Relations.

Don McMorris was named Minister of Government Relations, Minister Responsible for First Nations, Métis and Northern Affairs, and Minister Responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission.

Also joining cabinet is Laura Ross, Minister of Parks, Culture, and Sport, and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women, and Everett Hindley, the new Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, Seniors and Rural and Remote Health.

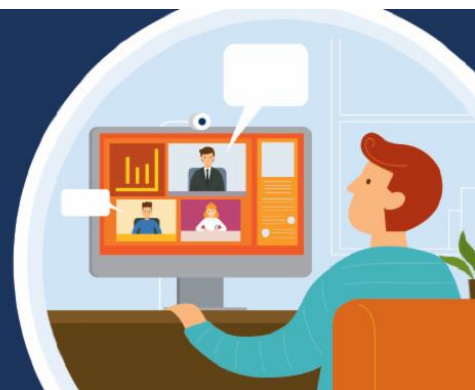
Donna Harpauer, who will retain her role as Minister of Finance, was named Deputy Premier.

[See the full cabinet details](#)



Virtual Regional Meetings

December 1 and 2



Regional Meetings Next Month

Municipal administration and elected officials are invited to join Municipalities of Saskatchewan for virtual regional meetings in December. Receive updates on what Municipalities of Saskatchewan is doing and take in an education session on governance.

Saskatchewan? How does it fit in a Circular Economy? The workshop will examine the technical and regulatory aspects of Waste to Energy and will include presentations from proponents of various technologies.

This event is sponsored by Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment.

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Nominations Open for Saskatchewan Waste Minimization Awards

Who do you know that is doing award-winning work in waste minimization?

The Saskatchewan Waste Minimization Awards recognize excellence in waste reduction in Saskatchewan.

Nominations close **February 5, 2021**. [Learn more.](#)

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Powered By  **Kinetic GPO**

Access National Procurement Contracts with Kinetic GPO

In October, CentralSource announced its transition of group purchasing to Kinetic GPO, a Canadian based group purchasing organization.

To use Kinetic GPO's contracts, Municipalities of Saskatchewan members need to complete a [Kinetic GPO membership form](#). The membership form authorizes Kinetic GPO to send members promotional information. Once the membership form is received, additional information will be sent out explaining how to utilize the new contracts.

Events



Upcoming Events

**Municipalities of Saskatchewan Webinar:
Convention and Elections:
What You Need to Know**
November 17

**Municipalities of Saskatchewan Webinar:
Open Forum on Council Operations**
November 24

**North, Northwest, Northeast, and West Central
Virtual Regional Meeting**
December 1

**Central, East Central, Southwest, and Southeast
Virtual Regional Meeting**

VIRTUAL Convention and Tradeshow



Convention 2021

Convention Registration Now Open!

Registration for Municipalities of Saskatchewan's 2021 Virtual Convention and Tradeshow has launched. The main contact for your municipality should receive an email today inviting you to register. If you don't receive an email, be sure to check your junk mail folder. Not there? Email accounting@munisask.ca.

Introducing the Keynotes and MC



Keynote
Kendal Netmaker

Kendal Netmaker is one of Canada's leading entrepreneurs and speakers from Sweetgrass First Nation, SK. To date, Netmaker has founded and invested in five businesses, is the author of *Driven to Succeed*, and has won more than 25 business awards.



Keynote
Doug Griffiths

Doug Griffiths' mission is to help North American communities identify what is holding them back from finding success. He works with communities to develop strategies to help them overcome their weaknesses.

In his address, *Everything*



MC
Danny Hooper

Last year, 100 per cent of respondents rated MC Danny Hooper as excellent or good in Municipalities of Saskatchewan's 2020 Convention Survey.

Hooper, who single-handedly puts the "master"

In his address, ***The Leader Within***, Netmaker will empower you to motivate and inspire others to outperform themselves. Discover the importance of ***Working Together, Struggling Together, and Achieving Together***.

is About to Change, Griffiths will talk about how technological and social changes will challenge communities, and those who are not prepared for what is coming will not prosper. His address will inspire you to prepare for tomorrow now, so your communities can succeed in the future.

in Master of Ceremonies, has returned for another year. With several thousand live performances behind him, he possesses a deep reservoir of experience, uncompromising professionalism, and a razor-sharp wit. There won't be a dull moment in your Convention schedule.

See our brochure for full Convention details

Municipal Marketplace Going Virtual

Not only will there be a chance to take in education sessions, network with others, and hear from amazing keynotes at Convention 2021, but there will also be an opportunity to view a virtual tradeshow. The Municipal Marketplace will feature virtual booths with products and services that municipalities use each day.

Browse the booths for 30 days, not only the four days of Convention. On **Monday, February 8** and **Tuesday, February 9** from **9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** there is also the opportunity to connect live with vendors.

Municipal employees can attend the virtual tradeshow free of charge. If you're responsible for registering delegates in your municipality, be sure to **register your municipal employees as tradeshow observers** in the convention registration system.

Winners of the Small Community Support Initiative

Three communities have won the opportunity to have two delegates attend the 2021 Convention with complimentary registration.

The three winning communities are the:

- Village of Jansen;
- Village of Parkside; and
- Village of Rama.

The municipalities were selected through Municipalities of Saskatchewan's Small Community Support Initiative which offers three municipalities with populations of less than 150 people the chance to have two representatives attend convention with complimentary registration.

Classifieds and Grants



Classifieds



Grants

Positions Available:

- Town of La Ronge: *Chief Administrative Officer* (November 23)
- Town of Regina Beach: *Chief Administrative Officer* (November 30)
- Town of Churchbridge: *Certified Water Operator* (When filled)
- District of Katepwa: *Office Assistant* (When filled)
- Town of Naicam: *Administrator* (When filled)
- Town of Bengough: *Public Works/Water Treatment Plant Operator* (When filled)
- Town of White City: *Development Officer* (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.

Upcoming Deadlines:

- SaskCulture Community *Cultural Engagement and Planning Grant* (February 16)
- SGI *Community Grant Program* (February 28)
- Investing In Canada *Infrastructure Program Green Stream – Landfill Decommissioning* (Applications accepted until funding fully allocated)
- Richardson International Ltd. *Community Donations* (Year round)

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

Municipal Update Advertisement

PEOPLE FIRST HR SERVICES

Free Online HR Assessment Tool

People First HR Services is offering a free online tool to help you assess your HR practices and identify potential gaps or opportunities for improvement. Their evaluation takes into account both relevant legislative requirements and best practices. After you complete the assessment, one of their experienced HR consultants will share your results with you at no cost.

The assessment can be accessed here: [HR Assessment Link](#)

Municipalities of Saskatchewan members also have access to HR On Line through People First at a 40 per cent discount. Call Michele Hengen at (306) 596-7733 or email her at mhengen@peoplefirsthr.com for more information about how to take advantage of this excellent offer!

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