

URBAN Update

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Show Us Your Hometown!

The theme of Convention 2019 is **Hometown Advantage**, and we want you to show off your community! You're invited to submit photos that represent your community and make you proud to call it home. The photos might be of a hometown monument, of your hometown team, or from a community event.

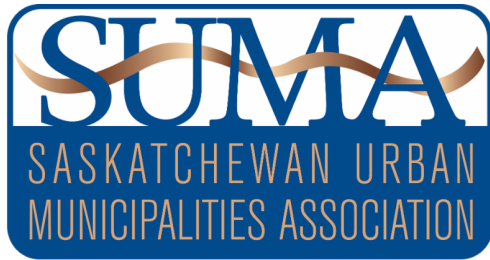
Email your photos to communications@suma.org by **January 16**. Submitted photos will be showcased at the Convention 2019 Welcome Reception.



SUMA Webinar: How to Make Tax Collection Less Taxing

Struggling with a complex tax enforcement issue? Want to avoid taking a property? In the SUMA webinar *How to Make Tax Collection Less Taxing*, lawyers Kim Anderson, QC, and James Steele will talk about how to collect on those hard cases and options beyond *The Tax Enforcement Act*.

Take in this webinar **January 22 at 10 a.m.** See the [event listing](#) for more information and to register.



2019 Membership Due This Month

It's been approximately a month since we sent members all the information needed to renew your membership for 2019. Please be sure to have your payment and updated information to us by **Thursday, January 31**. We wouldn't

want you to miss out on any membership benefits!

Renewing your membership for another year gives you access to group benefits, SUMAssure, and SUMAdvantage to help you save money. It also supports our advocacy and capacity-building work. We appreciate your support all year long.



Convention 2019: Get Your Tickets to the Welcome Reception and President's Banquet

Attending Convention 2019? Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the Welcome Reception and President's Banquet.

Celebrate the wins of your team and your hometown at the Welcome Reception on **February 3**. At this casual event, you have the chance to network with SUMA Board members and your fellow peers as you enjoy appetizer stations and a cash bar.

At the President's Banquet on **February 5**, celebrate the long-serving elected officials and municipal employees who help make up our hometowns, and the hard work and dedication of all who work in municipal government. You'll be treated to a three-course plated meal and live entertainment by Dance Saskatchewan. After the awards program, you'll have the chance to kick off your shoes and spend some time on the dance floor with El Guitaro, a classic cowboy rockin' country and western band.

Get all the details on the [Agenda and Events](#) section of the [Convention 2019](#) page of our website. Tickets are going fast! Get them today through the online registration system.

Capacity Building: Pre-Convention MLDP Sessions



[Register now](#) for a **Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP)** course happening before the

Convention 2019: Municipal Marketplace Tradeshow

The Municipal Marketplace Tradeshow is held in conjunction with SUMA's annual convention, and is open to convention delegates **and** municipal employees at TCU Place.

Based on member feedback, this year's tradeshow will be taking place **Sunday, February 3, and Monday**

SUMA and SARM conventions. Each of the five day-long workshops is offered the day before the conventions open in Saskatoon.

- [Strategic and Financial Planning for Municipalities](#)
- [Municipal Economic Development Fundamentals](#)
- [Human Resources in the Municipal Workplace](#)
- [Public Relations and Communications for Municipalities](#)
- [Community and Land-Use Planning](#)

February 4. This means you'll have more time to browse vendor booths. And if you've missed the tradeshow in the past because of its weekday scheduling, now is your chance to attend.

Be sure to make the most of the time set aside for delegates to visit the exhibitors.

While at the tradeshow, be sure to visit the SUMA booth to learn about all the services that we offer including education, group purchasing, group benefits, and so much more!

Convention 2019: Meet with President Barnhart

SUMA President Gordon Barnhart will be available during Convention to meet with members to discuss council governance or SUMA issues. To schedule a meeting, please [email](#) or call 306-525-3727.

Convention 2019: Tradeshow Admission

Municipal employees have free access to the Municipal Marketplace Tradeshow. Municipal employees are encouraged to register ahead of time as a tradeshow observer. Email registration@suma.org or call 306-525-4385 to register.

Events



Upcoming Events

SUMA Webinar: How to Make Tax Collection Less Taxing (January 22)

SUMA Convention 2019: Hometown Advantage (February 3-6)

Event Insight

Have your employees updated their training to WHMIS 2015 as required by OH&S?

Yes, all employees who require WHMIS have WHMIS 2015.

Select

Some of our employees who require WHMIS have WHMIS 2015.

Select

No, our employees do not have WHMIS 2015.

Select

Classifieds and Grants



Classifieds

Positions Available:

- Municipal District of Bonnyville: *Director of Finance and Administration* (January 3)
- Town of Kerrobert: *Operations and Utilities Labourer* (January 5)
- SUMA: *Advocacy Advisor* (January 13)
- Town of Hudson Bay: *Accounting Clerk* (January 18)
- Town of Ituna: *Public Works Labourer* (When filled)
- Northern Municipality of La Ronge: *Water and Sewer Operator* (When filled)
- Town of Lafleche: *Chief Administrative 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 [SUMA Classifieds](#) section of our website, under the Programs and Services tab.



Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- Employment and Social Development Canada *Canada Summer Jobs* (January 25)
- Canadian Heritage *Community Anniversaries - Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage* (January 31)
- Canadian Heritage *Local Festivals - Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage* (January 31)
- Community Initiatives Fund *Community Grant Program - Summer Grant* (February 1)
- SaskCulture *Community Cultural Engagement and Planning Grant* (February 22)
- FCM *Green Municipal Fund* (March 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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