

URBAN Update

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Convention 2019: Download the New SUMA Convention App

The new SUMA Convention app is now available for download through your device's app store! To download, just search SUMA Convention. And if you don't have a smartphone or tablet, visit the [app website](#).

The new app has everything you need to know about Convention:

- Make your own schedule;
- Bookmark tradeshow exhibitors;
- See bios for Convention presenters;
- Take notes on aha moments and things to follow up on;
- Find what you're looking for with interactive facility maps;
- Share what you've learned or post pictures by visiting the Event Feed and SocialWall;
- And so much more.

By downloading and exploring the app, you have the chance to win one of 10 great prizes.

Also keep up with what's happening at Convention through SUMA's social media channels. Follow SUMA on Twitter @SUMA_Amplify, and like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SUMAamplify, or follow the links on the SUMA Convention App to keep up with the conversation at #SUMA2019.



Convention 2019: Know Before You Go

Will you be joining us next week at TCU Place in Saskatoon for the 114th Annual SUMA Convention? There's lots going on **February 3 to 6**, so here are some tips to help you make the most of your Convention 2019 experience.

Plan it all out with the help of [the agenda](#) on our website, or download our new SUMA Convention app. Use the app to create a personal agenda now and make the most of

your time on location.

Dress for success. Remember that you are representing your community, so dress to put your best foot forward at Convention 2019. Dress is business casual, and make sure you bring warm clothing and comfortable footwear. Saskatoon can be chilly this time of year. The Welcome Reception is casual - wear your favourite jersey - and the President's Banquet is business formal.

Green it up by bringing a reusable water bottle/travel mug, using the clearly identified recycling bins located throughout TCU Place, and taking the bus. **Shuttle service** is provided at all [official Convention hotels](#) except for the Holiday Inn Downtown and the Hilton Garden Inn. Look for the SUMA signs in your hotel lobby for the bus stop location and approximate departure times. [Schedules](#) are now available on the [Convention 2019](#) page of our website. There will be a listing at the entrance of TCU Place for end-of-day departures.

Get all the goods. Your first stop at TCU Place should be the registration desk, which opens on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Be sure to line up by *municipality name* (**not** your name). At the registration desk, you'll get an envelope with your name badge, agenda card and event tickets, and a bag with important information items, such as the Convention handbook, which includes resolutions, the tradeshow exhibitor listings, and more.

Wear your name badge at all times during Convention. It is your admission to the tradeshow and all Convention sessions and luncheons with security on-site, and your introduction to fellow delegates.

Socialize. Attend the events that SUMA has to offer! Be sure to bring your tickets to the Welcome Reception on Sunday and the President's Banquet on Tuesday, because you'll be asked for them at the door.

Network. Not to be confused with socializing, networking is all about finding out who's who, sharing what you do, and finding the people who can help you do your job even better. Network with your fellow municipalities as well as the exhibitors in our Municipal Marketplace.

Bring business cards to facilitate making and keeping connections. And what better time to bump up your LinkedIn profile by adding the people you meet from across the province to your network?

Browse the Municipal Marketplace Tradeshow during the dedicated viewing times, or other breaks in your schedule. But remember, entry is restricted to registered delegates and municipal employees only. Make sure you enter your name in our **daily draws** located in the tradeshow area on Sunday and Monday and at the registration desk on Tuesday for your chance to win great prizes.

Borrow great ideas; there's no need to reinvent the wheel! Learn best practices from your fellow municipalities. That's what being a part of an association is all about - sharing.

Be present. Take advantage of the chance to take in education sessions and hear what SUMA is doing for you. When a speaker is presenting, side conversations and ringing cell phones are distracting. Your fellow delegates appreciate your consideration during sessions.

Convention 2019: Get Ready for Resolutions

Prepare for the resolutions session at Convention 2019 by reviewing the [resolutions package](#). This is 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 on the Convention floor.

A few highlights from the procedure:

- All speakers must be both elected officials and Convention 2019 delegates.
- After the sponsoring community has seconded their resolution, the chair will ask for speakers opposed or seeking amendments. Unless there is debate on the issue, agreement can be shown through your vote.
- During debate, speakers are limited to two minutes. There will be a clock to show your remaining time, and mics will be silenced when time runs out, so we may move through debate efficiently.
- Sponsoring municipalities get three minutes to second their resolution, and if there is debate, one minute to close.
- If we run out of time at the session, resolutions that did not make it to the floor will be presented to the next meeting of the SUMA Board of Directors.

Innovation Challenge on Waste Management

If you have an idea on how to track the volume of waste generated in Saskatchewan and where it ends up, submit an [expression of interest](#) for Innovation Saskatchewan's [Innovation Challenge](#).

The deadline to apply is **February 13**.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrew Wahba at 306-533-9692 or email andrew.wahba@innovationsask.ca

Friendly Reminder: 2019 SUMA Membership Fees

SUMA membership fees for 2019 are due on **Thursday, January 31**.

Renewing your membership for another year supports SUMA's advocacy and capacity-building work, and gives you access to group benefits, SUMAssure, and SUMAdvantage to help you save money.

We appreciate your support all year long.

Free 10 Minute Trainers can help improve your citizen service

The Ministry of Government Relations reminds municipalities to take advantage of 10 Minute Trainers – a free online training tool to help expand the knowledge of councillors and administrators.

The 10 Minute Trainers include short videos and questions designed to engage municipalities in discussions about local issues. The informative training, which can be facilitated by administration, can be easily completed as a group before or after

2019 Asset Management Training Opportunities

After seeing great turnout from the last series of webinars and workshops, Asset Management Saskatchewan (AM-SK) is pleased to offer more training in 2019!

Starting with a FREE Webinar Series, "The Building Blocks of the Asset Management Process." The first round of the three part Webinar Series begins **February 4** with another round offered in April. The following dates and topics are ready for registration.

- **February 4, April 1** [Levels of Service Development](#)

a council meeting to be efficient with busy schedules.

The first 10 Minute Trainers module online is about council procedures bylaws. It focuses on everything from special meetings and the minimum numbers of council members required for a vote to pass, to dealing with delegations and committees.

Ten Minute Trainers can be found [online](#).

For more information, contact the Ministry of Government Relations at 306-787-4984 or Amanda.Willcox@gov.sk.ca.

- **February 6, April 3 Risk Management Development**
- **February 11, April 8 Long Term Financial Plan**

Then in April, AM-SK will be hosting the three-day NAMS Canada training workshop across Saskatchewan. NAMS is a proven training program designed specifically for municipal government employees to integrate the efforts of the disciplines of public works, finance, administration and political leaders.

The trainings will take place in the following cities and dates:

- **Regina: April 23-25**
- **Saskatoon: April 9-11**
- **Prince Albert: April 30-May 2**

For more information about Asset Management Saskatchewan, visit www.assetmanagementsk.ca.

Events



Upcoming Events

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

WHMIS-2015 Training
(February 4)

Supervisory Skills - Southeast College
Municipal Management Essentials
(February 5-6)

Event Insight:

Have you read this year's resolutions in preparation for Convention 2019?

Yes

Select

No

Select

Classifieds and Grants



Classifieds

Positions Available:

- Municipal District of Bonnyville: *Director of Infrastructure Services* (February 15)
- Village of Maryfield: *Public Works Foreman* (February 21)
- City of Meadow Lake: *Parks and Recreation Manager* (February 22)
- Town of Whitewood: *Chief Administrative Officer* (When filled)
- RM of Mervin #499: *Office Manager* (When filled)
- Resort Village of Manitou Beach: *Foreman* (When filled)
- Town of La Ronge seeks *Chief Administrative Officer* (When filled)

For Sale:

- Town of Outlook: *Fire Services Ladder Truck*
- Town of Outlook: *Caterpillar Wheel Loader*

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:

- Canadian Heritage *Community Anniversaries - Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage* (January 31)
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- Community Initiatives Fund *Community Grant Program - Summer Grant* (February 1)
- Canadian Tire Jumpstart *Accessibility Grants* (February 15)
- SaskCulture *Community Cultural Engagement and Planning Grant* (February 22)
- FCM *Green Municipal Fund* (March 1)
- Farm Credit Canada *AgriSpirit Fund* (March 1-29)
- Community Initiatives Fund *Community Grant Program* (April 1)

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

Urban Update Advertisement

WinterShines in Saskatoon

Visiting Saskatoon for the 2019 SUMA Convention? You're just in time for the Nutrien WinterShines Festival - a warm and wonderful celebration of all things winter in Saskatoon!

Come out early and kick things off with a fun-filled weekend of festivities. From the frosty features of the snow park, to a host of feature events, there's plenty to make your stay special.

Visit the festival website for all of the details: www.nutrienwintershines.ca/

**Thank you for reading this week's
Urban Update. We welcome your
comments.**

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