

Saskatchewan Municipal Awards Finalists

The finalists have been announced for the Sixth Annual Saskatchewan Municipal Awards.

An independent selection committee including Senator Pamela Wallin, Bob Linner (former City Manager for Regina and Prince Albert), Regina Leader Post Political Columnist Murray Mandryk, Holly Hetherington (Senior Partner, Executive Source) and Jim Angus (Administrator of the RM of Harris No. 316) have reviewed the finalists' achievements and selected award recipients in each of the categories.

Winners will be announced at the Saskatchewan Municipal Awards luncheon on **Friday, May 11, 2012 at 11:30 a.m., Canadian Ballroom, Ramada Hotel and Convention Centre, 1818 Victoria Avenue, Regina, SK.**

If you are interested in attending the awards ceremony, please contact: Marlys Wasylyniuk Telephone: (306) 525-4398
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The finalists in each category are:

Municipal Innovation and Service Excellence

Presented and Sponsored By: Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities

- Village of Paradise Hill, RM of Frenchman Butte - Paradise Hill Care Home Inc.
- Town of Carrot River, RM of Moose Range - The Pasquia Trust

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Quote of the Week:

Be a yardstick of quality. Some people aren't used to an environment where excellence is expected.

Steve Jobs

SUMA Classifieds

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Community Life Enrichment

Presented and Sponsored By: Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association

- Town of Unity - Unity Community Resource Centre
- City of Yorkton - Yorkton's Aviva Project

Economic Development Leadership

Presented and Sponsored By: Enterprise Saskatchewan

- Town of Assiniboia, Village of Limerick, RMs of Excel, Lake of the Rivers & Stonehenge- Assiniboia Regional Economic Alliance
- Town of Maple Creek - Maple Creek Heritage District: Main Street Revitalization Program

Environmental Stewardship

Presented and Sponsored By: Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association

- Town of Unity - Waste Water Diversion and Reuse Project

Regional Leadership and Partnerships

Presented and Sponsored By: SaskWater

- Town of Fort Qu'Appelle, RM of North Qu'Appelle, RVs of B-Say-Tah, District of Katepwa, and Fort San, Villages of Lebret and Lipton - Calling Lakes Planning District Commission
- Towns of White City, Pilot Butte, and Balgonie, Village of Edenwold, RM of Edenwold - White Butte Regional Committee

Heritage Conservation Leadership

Presented and Sponsored By: Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture, and Sport

- City of Moose Jaw - War Memorial Restorations
- Town of Maple Creek - Maple Creek Heritage District: Main Street Revitalization Program

Town of Shellbrook: Administrator
(May 7)

Town of Radisson: Administrator
(May 10)

Town of Kerrobert: Assistant Administrator
(May 15)

City of Martensville: City Clerk (May 17)

RM of De Salaberry: Chief Administrative Officer (May 18)

RV of Manitou Beach: Village Foreman (May 20)

Village of Goodsoil: Administrator (Until Filled)

Town of Birch Hills: Public Works Foreman (Until Filled)

Town of Spiritwood: Seasonal Public Works Labourer (Until Filled)

Town of Churchbridge: Public Works Foreman (Until Filled)

City of Melville: Water Treatment Plant Operator (Until Filled)

For more details on any of these ads, visit the [SUMA Classifieds](#) under the Urban Marketplace tab.

PIER (Prairie Innovation Enterprise Region)

Saskatchewan is experiencing strong population growth and leading the country in economic growth. In order to be fully prepared to manage growth effectively, municipal governments must work collaboratively. In the Humboldt area, PIER encourages

AgriSpirit Fund

The FCC AgriSpirit Fund is about making life even better for people in rural communities.

open dialogue within the region to ensure the area is ready for growth.

PIER held a regional Planning Summit on Friday, April 20th at St. Peter's College in Muenster - read more about this initiative [here](#).

Minister Fast to Protect Municipal Interests

The federal Minister for International Trade Ed Fast publicly affirmed the Government of Canada's commitment to respect FCM's seven fair trade principles. Specifically, Minister Fast remarked: "I welcome municipal input, and I've offered my commitment to ensure that FCM's principles are respected in any agreement."

Delivering his remarks to the Economic Club of Canada in Ottawa, the Minister presented the potential benefits of the Canada-E.U. Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) to Canadian business, cities and communities. In support of Minister Fast's statement, federal cabinet ministers have been dispatched across the country today to deliver similar messages.

FCM President Vrbanovic issued a media statement following the minister's announcement.

Visit the SUMA website [here](#) to view full details.

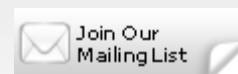
Win Two Tickets to the 2013 Convention Banquet!

We are looking for a dynamic convention theme for the 2013 SUMA Convention. Below is a list of hot topics for the upcoming year that may assist you in coming up with a theme suggestion:

- Municipal Elections
- Local Capacity
- Infrastructure
- Growth
- Property Revaluations
- Municipal Operating Grant
- Environment

This year, FCC will provide \$1 million to support rural capital projects across Canada. We award between \$5,000 and \$25,000 for capital community improvement projects such as emergency services equipment, playgrounds, recreation centres and care homes in communities with populations fewer than 100,000.

Registered charities, municipal bodies and non-profit organizations that partner with municipal bodies are eligible for funding. Eligible organizations that are interested in applying for funding this year are encouraged to apply online from May 7 to June 18 at www.agrispirit.ca, where you can find complete information and eligibility criteria.



About Us

We'd like to thank you for reading the Urban Update this week and we welcome your comments.

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Did You Know...

June is Recreation & Parks Month

Celebration Initiative Grant
The Celebration Initiative Grant for June is Recreation & Parks

Everyone who submits a theme suggestion will have their name put into a draw for two tickets to the President's Banquet.

Please submit theme suggestions to: mwasyluniuk@suma.org

Call For Applications: P3 Canada Fund

On April 16, PPP Canada launched Round Four, call for proposals for the P3 Canada Fund. Provinces, territories, First Nations and municipalities are encouraged to consider the P3 model in delivering their public infrastructure priorities.

Find applications [here](#) and submit no later than **June 15, 2012**.

Month. (JRPM) supports localized promotion of recreation and parks through planned events or programs in the month of June.

- SPRA will contribute up to a maximum of \$500 per Active Member.
- Applications for the grant will be accepted between May 1, 2012 and June 15, 2012.
- Applications will be processed on a first come, first served basis.

Let SPRA help you to celebrate June is Recreation & Parks Month!

Access the detailed grant application [here](#).

MCDP - Interconnections Newsletter

These newsletters are dedicated to 'Sustainable' practices, technological advancements and workshop information on a regular basis. The newsletter is distributed quarterly- at the end of October, January, April and July.

The newsletter has recently been named Interconnections - Sustaining Saskatchewan's Future.

The latest edition of Interconnections can be viewed [here](#).

FCM Municipal Campaign Training Workshop for Women Regina - June 9th and 10th

The training workshop will cover a wide range of topics, including: deciding to run, financing the campaign, campaign ethics, canvassing, public speaking and media training.

Full details and registration [here](#).