

Urban Update



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MMRP Webinar - Wednesday

SUMA wants to ensure our members are up to date on what's happening with the Multi-Material Recycling Program (MMRP) before Convention 2015. We are holding a short, free webinar on January 28 (that's this Wednesday) starting at 10:00 a.m.

[Register now](#) for the webinar so you can find out what SUMA is doing and what progress we've made - and let us know what you're thinking. [Registrations](#) will be accepted until noon tomorrow. If you have any questions, please contact [Steven Dribnenki](#).

New SUMA Staff Member

SUMA is pleased to announce that we will have a new staff member joining us at Convention 2015! Katee Galandy is getting a head start as our Convention and Events Coordinator, as this will be Marlys Wasyluniuk's last convention. Katee is a graduate of the Hill School of Business from the University of Regina graduating with Bachelor of Business Administration with a focus on marketing. Katee is also an active member of the Professional Regina Event Planners. She comes to SUMA with a great passion for event planning.

Convention 2015: Reminders

110th Annual SUMA Convention
Sunday, February 1 - Wednesday, February 4, 2015

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FAQs on Municipal Governance

Question:

How does the calculation of off-site fees work?

Answer:

Off-site fees must reflect the municipality's actual capital costs associated with providing various services. ([Read the full](#)

- *Before you leave:* Remember your reusable water bottle/travel mug to use during Convention.
- *Check the [agenda](#) to plan your days.* Or, you can download the Eventbase app (available for Blackberry, Android, and iOS) or use the [mobile website version](#).
- *Check the busing:* If you are staying in a hotel where shuttle service is provided, check your hotel lobby for the stop location and approximate departure time. There will also be a listing at the entrance to TCU Place for end-of-day departures.
- *Register:* Registration will open on February 1 at 11:00 a.m. at TCU Place. When you arrive, register by the first letter in **the name of your municipality**.
- *Check your envelope:* This is where you will find your name badge, agenda card and event tickets.
- *Check your bag:* It holds a number of important information items, like the convention handbook where you will find the Resolutions and the Tradeshow Exhibitor listings.
- *Watch the screens:* Keep an eye on the screens in the main hall to see what's happening each day.
- *Visit the Tradeshow:* Our sold-out Municipal Marketplace is an event in itself. Make sure you take the time to walk through and visit the exhibitors.
- *Network:* Convention is a time to not only come together with your council, but also with your counterparts from across the province.
- *Remember courtesy:* Please remain quiet during sessions so all delegates can hear. Also remember to put your cell phone on vibrate/silent, or turn it off before entering the sessions!
- Most importantly, *enjoy yourself!*

SUMA Classifieds

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Town of Unity: Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation
(February 2)

City of Regina: Senior Advisor
(February 7)

Town of Elrose: Administrator
(February 9)

Town of Norquay: Administrator (March 6)

Town of Regina Beach: Manager of Public Works and Utilities (When Filled)

RM of Beaver River: Chief Administrative Officer (When Filled)

FOR SALE:

Garbage Truck and Bins
(February 20)

For a full listing of ads, visit the [SUMA Classifieds](#) under the Urban Marketplace tab.

Convention 2015:

PDAP Staff Available for Meetings

Staff from the Provincial Disaster Assistance Program (PDAP) will be available at Convention 2015 if members want to meet with them. Staff will be available Monday and Tuesday (8:00 a.m. -

Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- *Building Community through Arts and Heritage* - Festivals and Community

5:00 p.m.), and Wednesday morning (8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)

If you are interested, please contact Janette Paus at Janette.Paus@gov.sk.ca, 306-787-5621, or toll free at 1-866-632-4033.

Housing Outlook Conference

The Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) is hosting a Housing Outlook Conference for Saskatchewan on February 19, in Regina. You can check [the brochure](#) on their website for more information.

This event always fills up quickly, so CMHC encourages you to register early. Special group pricing, and early bird pricing are both still available. [Secure registration](#) is available online.

Funding Available: Western Diversification Program

On January 21, 2015, Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) will be launching the next Western Diversification Program (WDP) Call for Proposals (CFP).

The WDP-CFP is targeted to not-for-profit organizations that are eligible for funding under the WDP and applications will be accepted until February 19, 2015.

More detailed information on the WDP-CFP application process, including objectives and priorities, are available on [the WD website](#).

Homelessness Partnering Strategy - Designated Community Funding

On behalf of the Government of Canada's Homelessness Partnering Strategy, the YMCA of Regina is issuing the 2015-2016 Call for Proposals for Designated Community and Aboriginal Homelessness funding in Regina. There is \$957,952

- Anniversaries (January 30)
- [Community Grants Program](#) - Summer Grants (February 1)
- [Municipal Cultural Engagement and Planning](#) (February 15)
- [Transit Assistance for People with Disabilities Program](#) (February 28)
- [One-Time Grant for Non-Designated Commercial Heritage Property](#) (March 15)
- [Built Heritage Grants](#) (March 15)

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



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...

Residents from the Village of MacNutt have twice won a Guinness World Record for the longest curling game. The second record-setting game went on for 40 hours and 23

minutes.

in funding available through this HPS funding cycle. The call is open to individuals and organizations working to alleviate homelessness in Regina. Funding will be issued to projects in the following five areas:

- Support Services
- Coordinate Resources and Leveraging
- Capital Investment Projects
- Housing First
- Data Collection

More details are available on [the Regina Homelessness website](#).