

# Urban Update



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## Last Chance to Register Mayors

Registration closes on **Friday, July 17** for the third annual Mayors Summer School. Visit [the event page now](#) to get all of the details and register for the event.

This exciting and unique two-and-a-half-day workshop will boost your confidence in your role as a mayor as well as fill your tool kit with new skills, knowledge and networks. Join your colleagues at the University of Regina Campus on August 16-18, 2015.

## SaskAlert

SaskAlert is Saskatchewan's emergency public alerting program which will provide critical information on emergency events as they are occurring so residents can take action to protect themselves, their family, and property.

Participating cities, towns, villages, rural municipalities and First Nations can designate a representative who will be able to issue an alert for an emergency event occurring in their area. The Emergency Management and Fire Safety Branch of Government Relations will provide training and access for municipalities that choose to join SaskAlert. Incidental costs to attend training sessions are the only costs involved.

For more information on SaskAlert, see [the website](#).

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## SUMA Classifieds

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

[Town of Duck Lake:](#)  
[Administrator](#) (July 13)

[Village of Neilburg:](#)  
[Administrator](#) (July 24)

[Town of Grenfell:](#)  
[Administrator](#) (July 29)

[Town of Kerrobert:](#)  
[Administrator](#) (July 30)

# We Want to Hear from You: Essential Services Legislation

In January, [the Supreme Court of Canada](#) reviewed current essential services legislation and decided that the right to strike was constitutionally protected. However, the Supreme Court did not review the new essential services process set out in Bill 128 as it has not yet been proclaimed into force.

As such, [the province is inviting written submissions](#) on your community's views on Bill 128 and the Supreme Court decision. SUMA is also participating in these consultations. Please send your comments to [Steven Dribnenki](#), or send him a copy if you send your own submission to the province. Submissions are due by **Friday, July 31**.

Town of Raymore:  
Administrator (August 11)

Town of Battleford:  
Superintendent of Public Works (When Filled)

Town of Shaunavon:  
Administrator (When Filled)

Town of Oxbow: Foreman  
(When Filled)

Town of Fort Qu'Appelle:  
Community Planning and Development Coordinator  
(When Filled)

Town of Norquay:  
Maintenance Person (When Filled)

Town of Battleford: CAO  
(When Filled)

Village of Edam: Administrator  
(When Filled)

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

## Information on Landfill and Transfer Station Regulations

As of June 1, new chapters of the Environmental Code came into effect. The Ministry of Environment has created this helpful [Solid Waste Management](#) summary which details landfill and transfer station requirements following the introduction of the code.

The ministry has also provided guidance documents to help answer questions about landfill and transfer station standards, guidelines, and plans:

- [Landfill Design Plan](#)
- [Landfill Operations Plan](#)
- [Landfill Closure Guidance](#)
- [Transfer Station Design Plan](#)
- [Transfer Station Operations Plan](#)
- [Transfer Station Closure Guidance](#)

For more information on the documents, visit the [Ministry of Environment website](#), email [Centre.Inquiry@gov.sk.ca](mailto:Centre.Inquiry@gov.sk.ca), or call 1-800-567-4224 or 306-787-2584.

## Grants

### Continuous Intake:

- [CMHC Seed Funding Program](#)
- [Family Violence Initiative](#)
- [Green Municipal Fund](#)
- [Northern Capital Grants Program](#)

## Group Purchasing Calendar of

## Opportunities



As part of our work to expand our SUMAdvantage group purchasing program, we surveyed members earlier this year about what purchasing opportunities you wanted us to pursue. A big thank you to all who responded; the 111 responses gave us plenty of data to analyze.

After analyzing the data and discussing it with the SUMA Program Development Advisory Committee, we came up with a calendar of opportunities. This calendar will guide when we begin pursuing each group purchase program, and goes all the way to 2017. For more details on the calendar and the process we will use to build the program, check out [this story on our website](#).

## Economic Development Workshop

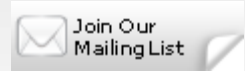
Small budget but BIG vision for your community? Campaigns to Attract Investment, Talent & Tourism is for new or seasoned professionals working in local economic development (LED) who want to create campaigns that increase foreign direct investment (FDI), attract talent for workforce development, or improve destination marketing. In this 60-minute webinar you get an introduction to the main concepts and resources you need to plan sustainable and effective LED.

And you'll get access to a multi-media eCourse and eLibrary with over 15 resources containing valued added content from the Conference Board of Canada, Miller Thomson LLP, and Public Sector Digest. Get expert advice and practical tools on how to organize and launch campaigns to attract foreign investment, talent, and tourism.

Registration for SUMA members is \$199. (Save \$100 on the \$299 registration fee with "SUMA100" discount code at registration!)

- [SaskEnergy Community Fund](#)
- [Skills Link](#)

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...

By 1930, Saskatchewan's urban municipalities laid the framework for modern health care, provided free tuberculosis treatment, successfully provided housing and jobs for returning soldiers, overcome the eastern bond boycott, expanded the urban road system, provided TB testing on all dairy cows, built many new waterworks and sewage disposal facilities, and protected free secondary education.

EDAC will accredit this workshop with one point towards your Ec.D. Designation!

Date: **July 14**, 1:00 p.m. EST

[Visit the website](#) for more details.