

Urban Update



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Apply Now for MMRP

Last week, the province announced the [multi-material recycling program \(MMRP\) will begin January 1, 2016](#). SUMA welcomes this announcement, and encourages our members to get your ducks in a row quickly to ensure you are part of the program when it begins. The Multi-Material Stewardship Western (MMSW) needs to have your services agreement by **December 31, 2015** in order to qualify at program launch.

The MMSW is hosting an [hour-long webinar](#) next **Monday, November 9**, which will cover:

- program background;
- the purpose of the services agreement;
- the main contents of the agreement; and
- policies and procedures.

This webinar will help you prepare to join the MMRP, and give you a chance to ask the MMSW any questions you may have. In the meantime, you can review the [resources available online](#), and prepare your questions for the November 9 webinar.

Congratulations SMA Winners!

Last week, the winners of this year's Saskatchewan Municipal Awards were announced. The Selection Committee's chosen projects covered 12 municipalities.

1st Place - Doctor Recruitment/Retention Strategy and Community Health & Wellness Centre: Town of Kamsack

2nd Place - Kindersley Wastewater Project: Town of

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SUMA Classifieds

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

[RM of Dufferin: Foreman](#)
(November 13)

[Town of Springside: Administrator](#)
(November 13)

[Town of Central Butte: Urban Administrator](#)
(November 16)

Kindersley

3rd Place - Jubilee Park: Town of Shaunavon

Regional Cooperation Award - Planning for Growth

Services Agreement: Town of Turtleford, Villages of Paradise Hill, Glaslyn, Mervin, and Edam and the RMs of Mervin, Frenchman Butte, Parkdale, and Turtle River

Winning RMs will receive their awards at the SARM Midterm Convention this week. Winning urban municipalities will receive their award at SUMA Convention 2016. Thanks to our title sponsor, Affinity Credit Union, whose support is critical to this program.

Well done to all winning municipalities! Check out the [SMA website](#) for more details.

Convention 2016:

Registration Opens Wednesday

Registration for Convention 2016 officially launches on **Wednesday, November 4!** Watch your the email inbox of your municipality's main contact; we are sending an email inviting you to register. If you are unsure about the registration process, [this document](#) will help answer any questions.

The [brochure](#) and [agenda](#) are now available, outlining events at Convention 2016. Please visit the [Convention 2016](#) page on the SUMA website for important updates and information.

Convention 2016:

Resolutions Reminder

Remember that next Friday, November 13 is the deadline to submit a resolution for Convention 2016. You may want to review our [resolutions policy](#) or review [past resolutions](#) as you craft yours. All the details on submitting a resolution are available in the [call for resolutions](#).

Have Your Say:

[Town of Battleford:](#)

[Superintendent of Public Works](#) (When Filled)

[Town of Eastend and RM of White Valley: Assistant Administrator](#) (When Filled)

[Town of Rosthern: Public Works Manager](#) (When Filled)

FOR SALE

[Sand Spreader](#) (November 16)

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

Grants

Upcoming Deadlines:

- [Creative Partnership Program](#) (November 15)
- [Museum Grant Program](#) (November 30)
- [Community Rink Affordability Grant](#) (December 15)

Continuous Intake

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

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

Building Code Consultation

SUMA has been asked to consult on a potential alternate model for complying with The Uniform Building and Accessibilities Standards Act and its regulations. Under the new model, owners contracting an architect and/or engineer for their project could choose to have that contractor fill out a declaration letter stating that the building complies with the building code, rather than having an independent building inspector attend the site and perform a formal inspection.

[This document](#) includes the proposed amendments. Please email your comments or concerns with the proposal to Sean McKenzie, Senior Policy Advisor, smckenzie@suma.org by **November 15, 2015**.

the Resources tab.



SaskTel Survey

SUMAdvantage partner SaskTel is researching fleet management options and is seeking insight from the SUMA membership. If you would like to provide feedback on this potential SaskTel service, please [complete this survey](#).

Main Street Saskatchewan Workshops

The Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport is hosting two free workshops to help Main Street Saskatchewan organizations, local governments, and community organizations build and use the tools they need to effectively manage their historic places.

[November 25: Community Heritage Inventories and Statements of Significance](#)

Learn how to create a community heritage inventory and how to write a Statement of Significance. A heritage inventory is a fundamental planning tool that will enable you to identify and evaluate the historic places in your community, and to make well-informed decisions about their protection and development. A Statement of Significance (SOS) is a valuable communication and management tool that explains why a historic place is important, and identifies those elements of the place that should be preserved.

[November 26: Standards and Guidelines and Neighbourhood Design Guidelines](#)

It is often necessary to make changes to heritage buildings so that they can continue to have a viable use. But what kinds of changes should be allowed? Learn to use two tools that take the guesswork out of these decisions. The Standards and

Time to Register for Fall MLDP

The fall sessions of the Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP) are [open for registration now](#). The modules are once again being offered at locations around the province From November 17 to November 30.

Details on the dates, modules, and locations are available on [the MLDP website](#).

If you can't make it to these sessions, please remember that you will also have the chance to head to take in the modules the day before Convention 2016 begins. We

Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada, and the ministry's new Design Toolkit.

Seating is limited and will be booked on a first-come, first-served basis.

Urban Update Advertisement

ACHIEVE Training Centre presents:

Dealing with Difficult People

Saskatoon - December 14

Regina - December 15

Participants in this workshop will learn how to positively engage others in discussions about behavioural patterns such as passive aggressiveness and chronic resistance.

Leadership - the Essential Competencies

Regina - December 4

This workshop shows leaders how to create engagement, assess team dynamics, make better decisions, and to improve trust.

Additional Workshops:

Assertive Communication

Regina - November 9 * Saskatoon - November 12

Conflict Resolution Skills

Regina - November 10 * Saskatoon - November 13

De-escalating Potentially Violent Situations™

Saskatoon - November 18 * Regina - November 20

Stress Management

Saskatoon - November 27

Board Development Training - The Fundamentals of Governance

Saskatoon - November 28

Live webinars:

Dealing with Difficult People

November 18, 1:00 - 2:00 pm Central Time

January 18, 1:00 - 2:00 pm Central Time

Conflict Resolution Skills

December 7, 1:00 - 2:00 pm Central Time

will provide more details on those modules later this year.

About Us

Thank you for reading the Urban Update this week and we welcome your comments.

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Did You Know...

Last week, Guy Vanderhaeghe was announced as the winner of the 2015 Governor General's Literary Award for fiction. Vanderhaeghe won for his short-story collection *Daddy Lenin and Other Stories*, his first short-story collection in more than 20 years.

Vanderhaeghe was born on April 5, 1951 in Esterhazy, where he also attended school until age 17. He has earned degrees from both the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina, and was a recipient of the Saskatchewan Order of Merit in 2003. Read more about him and his accomplishments in the [Encyclopedia of Saskatchewan](#).

Coaching Strategies for Leaders - Conflict, Performance, Change

December 16, 1:00 - 2:00 pm Central Time

For more information on our workshops and other resources, including monthly complimentary webinars please reach out to us at:

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