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News:

Get creative! Public Cultural Program Planning Toolkits Available

Creative City Network of Canada is a unique concept, merging the cultural sector with a creative approach. Municipalities interested in cultural planning and mapping, and the development of public art projects and programs can access PDF versions of the toolkits by clicking <u>here</u>.

Green Municipal Fund (GMF) increases funding, improves fund access for capital projects

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities has updated its funding offer for capital projects by increasing the amount of funding available, broadening the eligibility requirements to include a wider range of project, and improving access to the fund. To learn more, click <u>here</u>.

Electrical Service Added to Campsites in Three Provincial Parks

Upgrading of campsites by the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport continues, with the addition of electrical services at Danielson, Douglas and Echo Valley parks. For more information, click <u>here</u>.

Weekly West Nile & Culex Reports

Sharp increase in Culex Tarsalis numbers in southern Saskatchewan

Although there have been no positive mosquito pools (mosquitoes caught in traps and infected with West Nile Virus) reported in the province this year, the second generation of *Culex Tarsalis* continues to emerge and is most advanced in the Sun Country, Five Hills and Regina Qu'Appelle RHAs. To learn more, please click <u>here</u>.

Changes to census will create undesirable results (Canadian Institute of Planners)

Changes to the way Canada collects census data will have undesirable effects on growth and development of Canadian communities, says the Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP). In a letter to the Minister of Industry, Tony Clement, the CIP expressed its concerns and requested that the government reverse its decision to eliminate the long form questionnaire in 2011. For more information, please click <u>here</u>.

Brownfield Project Incentive Programs listed online

Brownfield sites, and orphaned gas stations in particular, are plaguing municipalities – but help is available. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities has created a list of funding opportunities for municipalities wishing to reclaim these areas, on its Green Municipal Fund website. For more information, click <u>here</u>.

Municipal Recycling Bridge Funding Program

This is a friendly reminder that the declaration and receipt submission forms (including copies of receipts) for the Municipal Recycling Bridge Funding Program are due by July 31, 2010. The receipt submission form should include all receipts from paper and cardboard recycling from the period of January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010. Once all of your forms have been submitted, you will receive your first payment. If you have not received information on this year's program, but participated in it last year, please contact SUMA immediately at mailto:recycle@suma.org or at (306) 525-3727. Please note that SUMA's fax number is 525-4373.

Aviva Community Fund Contest

Aviva Canada will be giving away \$1,000,000 this fall, to help build better communities. Community groups and individuals are encouraged to submit ideas and proposals for community improvement. The most popular ideas will be voted on and move on to the next round. Finalists will be granted funding. Categories include supporting youth and neighbourhood rejuvenation. There is no size requirement for ideas; the contest is open to all sizes of projects which help build better communities. For full information on the contest, please click here.

Have you looked at SUMA's list of available grants lately?

Suma has recently updated and expanded its list of grants available to municipalities and communities. To access a current list of grants see the <u>SUMA grants page</u>.

Grants of the Week:

New Horizons for Seniors: Capital Assistance Funding

Human Resources and Skills Development Canada's Capital Assistance Funding helps non-profit organizations to upgrade the facilities or equipment they use for existing seniors programs and activities. This enables seniors to continue to lead active lives by participating in programs in their communities. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available. The call for proposals is anticipated to open in late summer 2010. For full program details, please click <u>here</u>.

Youth Awareness Initiative

The Youth Awareness initiative provides financial assistance to applicants for the design of projects that address labour market issues facing youth in their community. Funding may be used to develop and implement human resources strategies that address the current and future work-force needs of the contribution recipient. Municipalities are considered eligible employers in this program. Contact your local Service Canada Centre or visit the <u>Youth Awareness Initiative website</u> for full program details.

Corporate Services:

SUMA Advantage Offers Supplies for Mosquito Control Program

With mosquito season upon us, this is a reminder that SUMA Advantage offers a mosquito control program. In partnership with Evergo (formally Westgro Horticultural Supplies), member municipalities can purchase Vectobac, Altosid or Vectolex CG at special member pricing. The program was designed specially for smaller municipalities who purchase requirements are less than the price advantage offered by full pallet pricing. For more information and product pricing, please click <u>here</u> or contact Evergo at 800-661-2991.

Waterworks System Assessment (WSA) - Round 2

Many member municipalities are required to complete a WSA – Round 2 by December 31, 2010. If your municipality is required to perform a WSA, <u>click here</u> for information on how to hire an engineer to perform the assessment.

Upcoming Events:

2010 SUMA Golf Tournament July 15 &16, 2010 Melville, Saskatchewan

This year's annual SUMA Golf Tournament will be at Melville Golf & Country Club. For more information on the golf tournament, please click <u>here</u>.

Canadian Association of Police Boards August 18 – 21, 2010 Saint John, NB

Canadian Association of Police Boards is the only national organization dedicated to excellence in police governance in Canada. This year's annual <u>conference</u> is at Saint John, New Brunswick.

62nd IPAC National Annual Conference Guardians of Our Communities: from Local to Global August 22 - 25, 2010 Ottawa, Ontario To learn more about the conference, please click here.

Saskatchewan River Delta Mini-Symposium and Stewardship Discussion Partners FOR the Saskatchewan River Basin (*Registration Deadline July 12*) September 14-15, 2010 The Pas, MB For more information on this symposium and meeting, please visit <u>www.saskriverbasin.ca</u>.

Financial Statement Workshops October 5 – 7, 2010 Regina & Saskatoon, Saskatchewan For further information, please go to <u>www.sasktca.ca/events</u>

Canadian Urban Forest Conference 9 October 5 – 7, 2010 Truro, Nova Scotia

The Canadian Urban Forest Conference (CUFC) is held every two years, alternating between an eastern and western host community. The CUFC has become to be recognized as the education and networking event for those working in the field of urban forest management. For more information on the conference, please go to the conference <u>homepage</u>.

MCDP Sustainable Planning Workshop October 14, 2010 Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan

For more information on the sustainable planning workshop, please email MCDP.

Rural Development Institute and Canadian Rural Revitalization Foundation Conference October 14-16, 2010

Brandon, Manitoba

The national conference will focus on issues affecting rural communities and their futures. Saskatchewan's <u>Municipal Capacity Development Program</u> has been invited to showcase successful inter-municipal practices at this year's conference. For more information on the conference, please click <u>here</u>.

For more events, visit the SUMA events calendar

Classifieds:

Positions Available

- <u>Town of Coaldale: Director of Community Services</u> July 13, 2010
- Town of Kindersley: Municipal Engineering Assistant July 16, 2010
- Town of Kindersley: Director of Engineering & Community Planning July 16, 2010
- Town of Norquay: Town Administrator July 20, 2010
- RM of St. Francois Xavier: Water Treatment Plant Operator July 20, 2010
- City of Weyburn: Public Works Superintendent July 23, 2010
- Village of Neudorf: Maintenance Man/Waterworks Operator July 26, 2010
- Village of Fillmore: Urban Administrator July 30, 2010
- Town of Birch Hills: Townman July 30, 2010
- Village of Pelly/RM of St. Philips: Administrative Assistant July 30, 2010
- 55 West Enterprise Region: Director of Economic Development When filled

Items For Sale

- <u>Water Filters for Sale</u> July 20, 2010
- Ice Machine for Sale August 30, 2010