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Free affordable housing web forum Feb. 17

As you know, the need for adequate affordable housing exists in communities, urban and rural, across Canada. Each community needs a range of housing options for different incomes, ages, and household composition. Solutions for responding to a range of needs are as different and unique as the communities and people themselves.

CMHC's Affordable Housing Web Forum is a distance-learning seminar that brings interested participants and industry experts together using phone and web technology. This allows you to participate, listen, see and learn without the expense of travelling.

The next session is this Thursday, February 17 at 10 a.m. (Saskatchewan time). The subject of the session is "Housing In Canada Online: Providing Local Data for Local Perspectives". Registration is free. To register by telephone call 1-800-668-2642 and quote product number 67216. To register online, visit www.cmhc.ca/conferenceregistration.

SaskPower Expands Wind Power Demo Project to 4 Locations

As announced by Premier Brad Wall and Last Mountain Touchwood MLA Glen Hart at the 2011 SUMA Annual Convention, SaskPower is improving the odds for communities wanting to

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Did you know...

The uranium mine at Key Lake is the world's largest? It's true!
(National Geographic Atlas of the World, 2004)

SUMA Classifieds

Positions Available:

[Town of Kindersley: Bylaw Enforcement/Animal Control Officer \(When Filled\)](#)

[Town of Mossbank: Public Works Labourer \(02/28/11\)](#)

[Village of Fox Valley: Foreman \(When Filled\)](#)

[Woodlands County: Director, Infrastructure Services \(02/28/11\)](#)

participate in the SaskPower Self-Generated Electricity Project for Rinks. Due to overwhelming interest in the project, SaskPower is doubling the number of project sites to better explore the economic and environmental benefits of self-generated power projects at municipal ice rinks.



Under the new terms of the project, wind turbines will be installed at four community rinks in Saskatchewan. The performance of these turbines will be monitored for up to five years to determine if self-generating electricity can help offset the power bills in the selected rinks. The turbines are expected to be installed and operational by mid-2011.

Interested communities must download and complete the Municipal Expression of Interest Form at saskpower.com/rinks. Rinks meeting the Expression of Interest criteria - including being located in one of the two qualifying wind energy zones - will be provided a proposal package, which must be returned to SaskPower by March 4, 2011. The original deadline for proposals was January 31, 2011. The successful communities will be announced in April.

Communities that have already applied for the project do not need to reapply. However, municipalities wishing to submit an updated proposal are welcome to do so, but are encouraged to first contact the SaskPower Municipal Ice Rink Program manager. Capital costs for the demonstration project will be funded by SaskPower, including the purchase, installation and maintenance costs of the turbines for up to five years.

For more information please saskpower.com/rinks (click on the "Self-generated Electricity Demonstration Project for Rinks" link just to the left in the navigation bar) or contact Karl Tischler by email at

[Town of Spiritwood: Administrator \(03/21/11\)](#)

[UMAAS: Board of Examiners Secretary \(03/15/11\)](#)

[Town of Wilkie: Public Works Level 2 \(When Filled\)](#)

[Village of Smeaton: Part Time Administrator \(Trainee\) \(When Filled\)](#)

[Rural Municipality of Stanley: Public Works Supervisor \(02/15/11\)](#)

[City of Meadow Lake: City Manager \(02/21/11\)](#)

[Village of Christopher Lake: Administrator \(02/15/11\)](#)

Quote of the Week:

(In honour of Valentine's Day)

"Love is a grave mental disease" -- **Plato**

Municipal Bridge Funding Deadline This Week!

We are reminding participants to send in their tonnage receipt in order to receive funding. The second payment will be based upon the actual MT. A tonnage receipt must be in the time frame between July 2010 and December 2010. If the municipality cannot get an actual amount of tonnage at the time we will take a brief estimate from the contractor that they are partnered with.

The second payment submission deadline is **February 17th 2011**. For

ktischler@saskpower.com or by phone at (306) 668-5466.

information please contact Che-Wei Chung at cchung@SUMA.org.



Events

A Housing & Development Summit *Building Communities, Building Saskatchewan*

April 19-21, 2011

Sheraton Cavalier, Saskatoon SK

With a focus on the creation of sustainable housing development, this conference includes sessions on planning, community needs, partnering with industry and government, and progressing from 'vision' to 'action'. Register by emailing events@chbasaskatchewan.com, or phoning 1-888-955-5188. For more information visit the website at www.socialservices.gov.sk.ca/housing.

2011 SUMA Golf Tournament

August 18-19, 2011

Melfort Golf & Country Club, Melfort, SK

Its never too early to start thinking of summer...

Plan to attend this year's annual SUMA Golf Tournament. Your \$90 registration includes a supper and social Thursday evening, breakfast Friday morning, 18 holes (Texas Scramble) and use of a golf cart, and Friday lunch. Non-golfer registration (\$40) includes the supper and social, and Friday breakfast. Tours of the Melfort Museum, Kerry Vickar Centre are available.

For more information or to register, contact the City of Melfort at (306) 752-5911 or email city@cityofmelfort.ca.

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