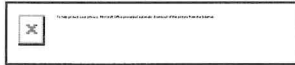


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Webinar # 1 - July 12 - Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE)

Details:

- **Wednesday, July 12, 2023**
- **Time: 10:00-11:00AM**
- **Microsoft Teams Meeting**

Description: Please join the Department of Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations and the Association of Manitoba Municipalities to learn about Treaty Land Entitlement in Manitoba. This webinar will cover the process in which land is transferred to Reserve for the benefit of First Nations

in Manitoba. The webinar will also discuss Treaty Land Entitlement land that falls within the boundaries of municipalities, including the roles and expectations of municipalities and First Nations in the process and the benefits of these lands.

Invitation letter from Eileen Clarke, Minister of Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations.

How to Join:

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Webinar # 2 - July 26 - Short-term Rentals and Airbnb Tools - Airbnb

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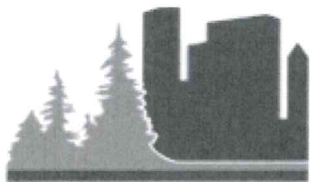
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MB Safety Officer Program - NEW Webpage & Training Dates

Manitoba's Policing Services and Public Safety Division (PSD) is committed to developing layered community safety options for our municipalities, towns and cities. Every community has its own unique strengths and challenges and therefore program solutions are designed to be flexible in order to meet individual needs.

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- Engage communities in discussion to enhance awareness and invite feedback
- Provide program information to communities interested in making application
- Assist communities in program development
- Report on existing program "success storeys"

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Level 1 - #2	October 23 – November 17	WINNIPEG
Level 2 - #1	December 8 - December 15	BRANDON

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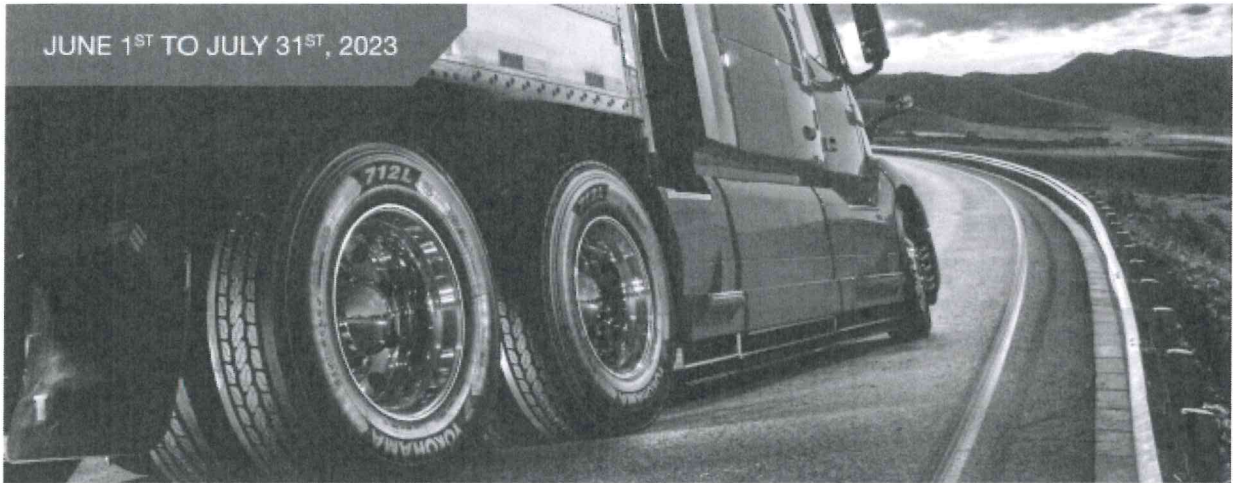
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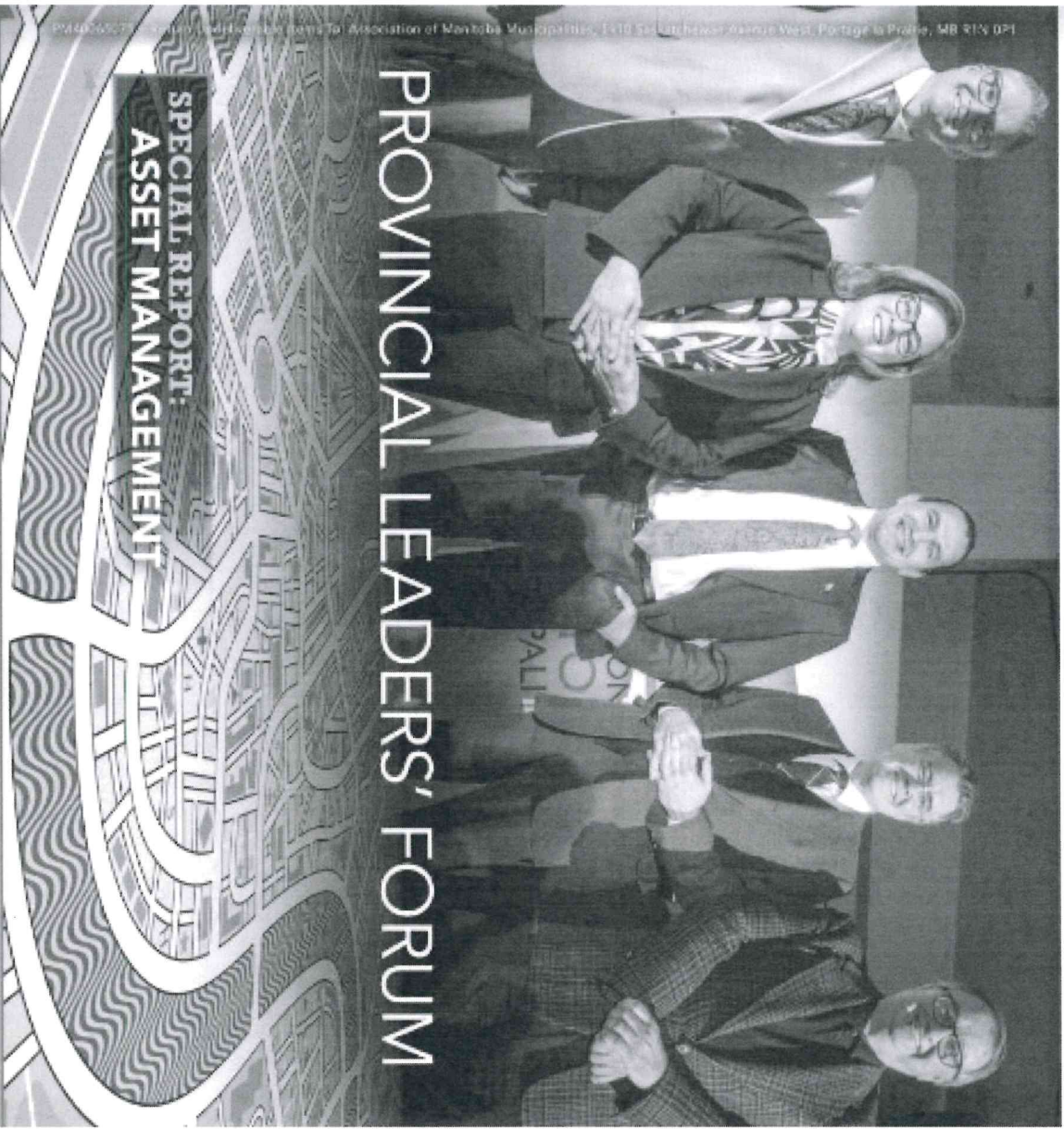
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NEWS RELEASE

New Poll shows only 5% of Manitobans feel safer in their community, nearly two-thirds outside Winnipeg find their cell service is unreliable

*Survey also suggests more than three-quarters support
PST rebate to municipalities*

July 17, 2023 – A new poll conducted by Probe Research for the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) reveals rising concern over public safety, while rural Manitobans are overwhelmingly concerned about mobile connectivity outside the province's cities.

The poll was conducted in the first two weeks of June as part of an omnibus, with a sample size of 1000 Manitobans and a distribution of 60% in Winnipeg and 40% outside Winnipeg. The survey results are considered to have a margin of error of 3.1% 19 times out of 20.

Full results can be found [HERE](#).

Poll Highlights:

- **Only 5%** of Manitobans feel safer in their community than they did three years ago. **56%** of Manitobans feel decidedly “less safe” in their community.
- Feeling “less safe” commands a majority sentiment across numerous demographics: women as well as men, across education levels, most income brackets, and most political affiliations.
- Outside of Winnipeg, only one third (**34%**) of rural and Northern Manitobans feel their cell service is completely reliable, with nearly two-thirds (**64%**) saying it is not reliable or only somewhat reliable.
- More than three-quarters of Manitobans (**77%**) believe the Province should provide a PST rebate to municipalities.

Quotations:

- *“Manitoba’s municipalities are the order of government closest to the people, and given it’s an election year, we thought we’d check our provincial priorities against public sentiment. Turns out the issues we’ve been pressing are through the roof in the public’s mind.” – Kam Blight, AMM President*
- *“People want to see fairness in funding, they want to see greater investment in core infrastructure like cellular service, and they want to see rising crime rates addressed.” – Kam Blight, AMM President*
- *“Only 5% of Manitobans feel ‘more safe’ now than they did three years ago. Think about that for a second. And this crosses demographics. Women and men, all income levels, all parts of Manitoba. If that isn’t a call to action, then I don’t know what is.” – Kam Blight, AMM President*
- *“Reliable cell network coverage is not just about making phone calls. It’s about safety. And it often travels hand-in-hand with broadband internet service – that has become critical infrastructure for work, for school, for running a business, for farming. We need to get this right.” – Kam Blight, AMM President*

About the AMM

The AMM was founded in 1999 as a united voice representing all of Manitoba's 137 incorporated municipalities.

Under AMM's **Let's Grow Manitoba Together** pre-election campaign, Manitoba's elected municipal officials and administrators have been pressing all provincial parties for funding fairness, investments in core infrastructure, better harnessing of skilled workers particularly in health care, and for action to address rising crime rates.

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MEMBER NOTICE REGARDING 2024 AMM Spring Convention

Please be advised that due to conflicting dates of municipal trade shows in western Canada, the dates of the AMM 2024 Spring Convention, at the Keystone Centre in Brandon, have been revised to April 9, 10 and 11, 2024.

Brandon First has assisted AMM in communicating this date change to the hotel network in Brandon so existing reservations could be transferred to the new date. If you have previously made hotel reservations for the AMM 2024 Spring Convention, please contact your accommodations provider to ensure your reservations have been transferred to the new dates. Some hotel properties may have reached out to previously reserved guests already.

Visit the [accommodations page of the Brandon Tourism website](#) for a list of hotels in the City.

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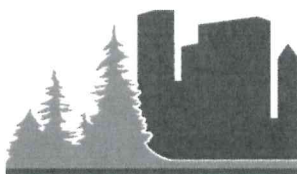
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Good morning Members,

In keeping with tradition, the AMM will continue to honour mayors, reeves, councillors and senior administrators (past or present) who have passed away during the year since the 2022 Convention.

These members will be recognized by our organization during the IN MEMORIAM portion of the 2023 Convention.

Please click the following link, **In Memoriam 2023**, that will direct you to the online submission form.

To prepare accordingly, we are able to accept submissions to the AMM office by Thursday, November 16, 2023, no exceptions.

Respectfully,
Donna Belbin
Events Coordinator

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The deadline for Letter of Interest submission is **September 1st, 2022**.

Manitoba Historical Society

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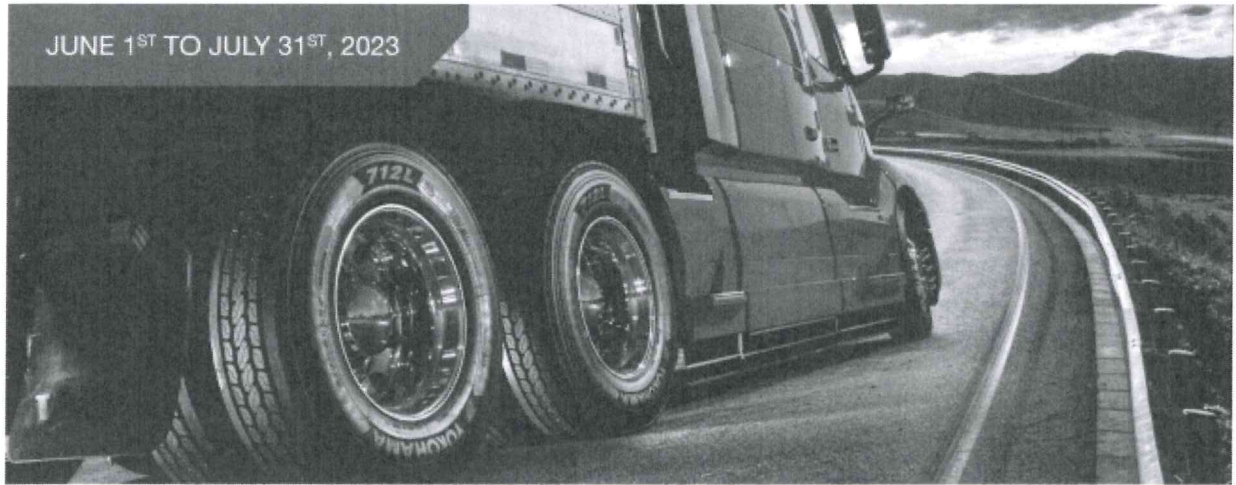
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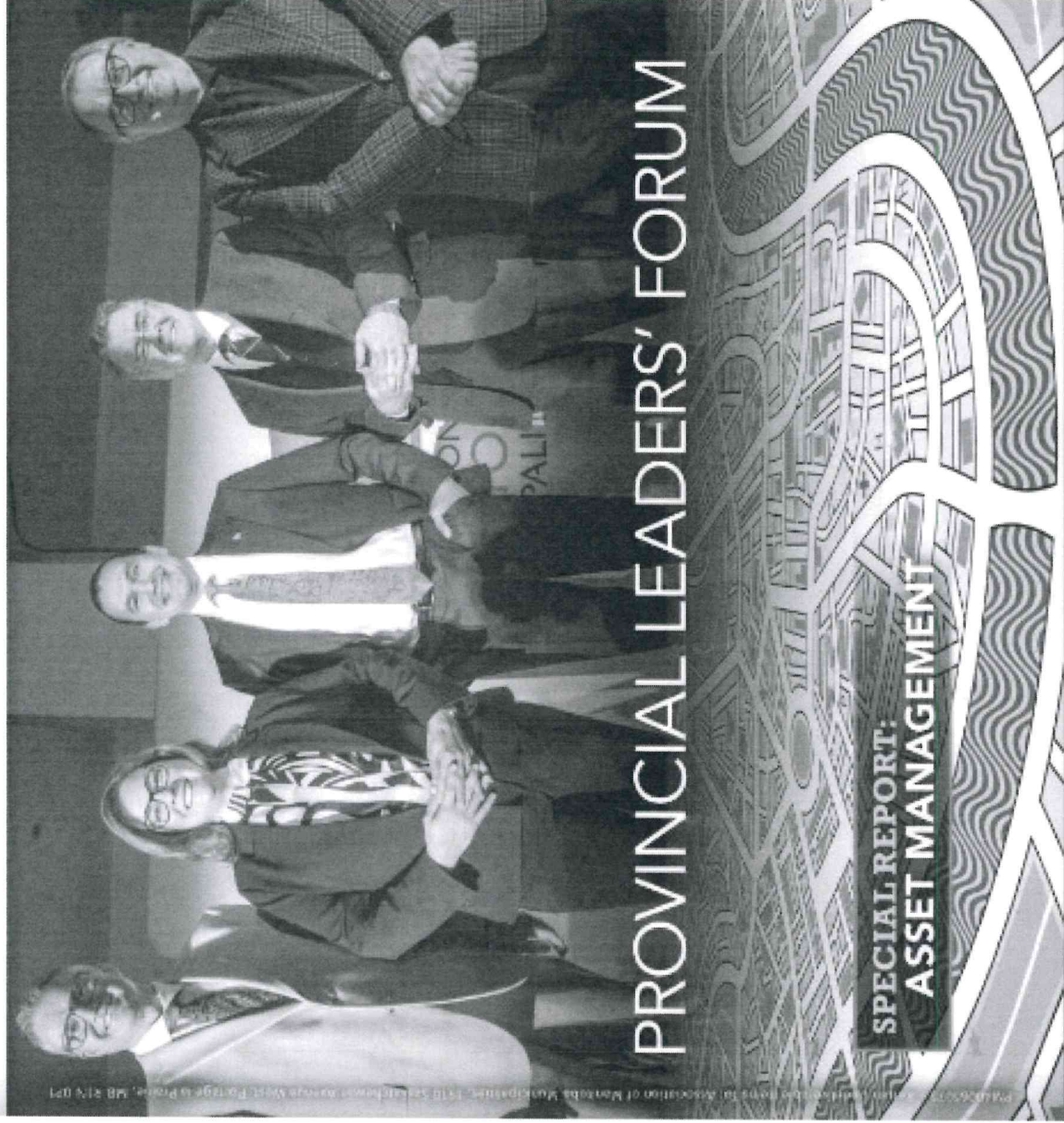
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Municipal Funding Baskets Unfrozen

August 1, 2023 – Today, the Hon. Andrew Smith, Minister of Municipal Relations, announced that the Manitoba government is investing **\$84 million** to deliver funding to support infrastructure projects in municipalities outside Winnipeg.

This investment includes one-time funding of up to **\$39.9 million** that will be distributed to all municipalities outside of Winnipeg on a per capita basis as well as up to **\$44.5 million** of incremental funding to the Strategic Infrastructure basket which will be available to municipalities through the new Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure Program in 2023-24.

"Today's announcement demonstrates the Manitoba government's commitment to partnering with municipalities to support local communities and foster economic growth across Manitoba. This additional funding will not only have a significant impact but also help advance infrastructure projects that connect all of us as Manitobans," said Kam Blight, President, Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM).

We appreciate the Province of Manitoba listening to concerns raised by our organization and municipalities about the importance of investing in critical infrastructure to help support economic growth. I am proud to report that our collective advocacy efforts have led to positive outcomes that benefit all AMM members.

Today's announcement is a continuation of the government's commitment to municipalities, building on its decision in February 2023 to end the seven-year freeze on municipal operating basket funding. This resulted in increasing the Municipal Operating basket from **\$170M to \$217M** (an increase of **\$47M**) and a **\$23.4M** increase to the Strategic Infrastructure basket (from **\$137M to \$160.4M**) in 2023. These funds represent new baseline amounts moving forward.

Moreover, we also commended the Manitoba government in July for announcing an additional **\$13.7 million in unconditional funding**, for a total of **\$55.8 million - representing a 28% increase** - to support increasing municipal policing costs due to both rising rates of crime and inflationary pressures.

As inflation has significantly impacted municipal budgets and municipalities are not permitted to run deficits, these funding commitments will assuredly help local Councils more effectively respond to current financial pressures, build stronger communities, and finalize local budgets with greater certainty.

Finally, with a provincial election on the near horizon, the AMM will continue to advocate for a simplified, predictable municipal funding model with an annual escalator. Under AMM's **Let's Grow Manitoba Together** campaign, Manitoba's elected municipal officials and administrators have been pressing all provincial parties for funding fairness, investments in core infrastructure, better harnessing of skilled workers particularly in health care, and for action to address rising crime rates.

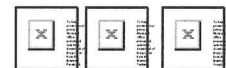
News Releases:

- [Manitoba Government Provides additional \\$47 Million in Unconditional Funding to Municipalities](#)
- [Manitoba Government Increases Funding for Municipalities for Public Safety](#)
- [Manitoba Government Invests \\$84 Million to Support Key Infrastructure Projects](#)

Sincerely,

Denys Volkov
Executive Director

Association of Manitoba Municipalities



Norma Will

From: AMM Events <events+amm.mb.ca@ccsend.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2023 8:30 AM
To: Norma Will
Subject: AMM 2024 Spring Convention NOTICE



MEMBER NOTICE REGARDING 2024 AMM Spring Convention

Please be advised that due to conflicting dates of municipal trade shows in western Canada, the dates of the AMM 2024 Spring Convention, at the Keystone Centre in Brandon, have been revised to April 9, 10 and 11, 2024.

Brandon First has assisted AMM in communicating this date change to the hotel network in Brandon so existing reservations could be transferred to the new date. If you have previously made hotel reservations for the AMM 2024 Spring Convention, please contact your accommodations provider to ensure your reservations have been transferred to the new dates. Some hotel properties may have reached out to previously reserved guests already.

Visit the [accommodations page of the Brandon Tourism website](#) for a list of hotels in the City.

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Norma Will

From: AMM Communications <amm+amm.mb.ca@ccsend.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2023 12:43 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: Member Advisory - Updating Accessibility Plans for 2024 and 2025



MEMBER ADVISORY

Updating Accessibility Plans for 2024 and 2025

NOTE: This message is being sent on behalf of the Accessibility Compliance Secretariat

August 2, 2023 - Please be advised of the upcoming deadline for small municipalities to update their accessibility plans by December 31, 2023 for the calendar years 2024 and 2025.

The Manitoba government's Accessibility Compliance Secretariat monitors and enforces compliance with requirements under the AMA, and publishes compliance data in annual reports. Compliance with the requirement for small municipalities to update their accessibility plans for 2024 and 2025 will be tracked by the Accessibility Compliance Secretariat. Please send your municipality's updated accessibility plan to the secretariat at accessibilitycompliance@gov.mb.ca by no later than December 31, 2023.

The attached guide and template can be completed and submitted to the secretariat to meet this requirement.

Workshop details: The Accessibility Compliance Secretariat is offering two virtual workshop opportunities for municipal officials who wish to learn more about the process of updating their accessibility plans.

Virtual Workshop: Process for Updating Accessibility Plans

When:

- **Wednesday September 27, 2023 from 10:00 am – 12:00pm or**
- **Wednesday October 4, 2023 from 1:30pm – 3:30pm**

Where: Virtual Zoom Webinar

Register: Email accessibilitycompliance@gov.mb.ca with your preferred session to receive login information for the virtual event.

WORD - Accessibility Compliance Secretariat - Updating Accessibility Plans for 2024 and 2025

PDF - A Guide for Small Municipalities - Updating your Accessibility Plan

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SERVICES AVAILABLE

SOIL & SITE EVALUATION

Test pit location and analysis, soil sampling and in-house particle size analysis, interview with owner and site selection with consideration to ground water, bedrock, slope, landscape, and land use.

SYSTEM DESIGN

Interpretation of the soil and site evaluation to determine the optimal field type and design including gravity and pressurized sand treatment mounds, total area fields, and trench systems.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

Completion and submittal of an Onsite Wastewater Management System Registration Form including all applicable land titles, lab analysis, worksheets, and site plan diagram.

INSTALLATION & INSPECTION

Assistance during construction, survey layout, verification with design, system operation testing, and installation report and photos.

MAINTENANCE MANUAL

Review with the owner all system aspects and maintenance requirements for the new septic system.



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July 17/23

Norma Will

From: Richmond, Kelly-Anne <Kelly-Anne.Richmond@gov.mb.ca>
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2023 1:55 PM
To: cao@rmofargyle.ca; cao@gov.cornwallis.mb.ca; cao@elton.ca; cao@mgsc.ca; cao@mglgov.ca; kim@rmofgrey.ca; rmadm@mymts.net; cao@mintoodanah.ca; cao@treherne.ca; ncl@rmofnorthcypress.ca; cao@northnorfolk.ca; Joni Swidnicki; cao@rmfoakview.ca; wes.unrau@pembina.ca; khamilton@rmofportage.ca; cao@rmofprairielakes.ca; cao@riverdalemb.ca; cao@rmofsifton.com; sg.cao@mtsmail.ca; i.bruneau@rmofvictoria.com; cao@rmofwhitehead.ca; r.bowles@brandon.ca
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Subject: Central Assiniboine Watershed District Expansion Discussion July 31

Municipalities of the Central Assiniboine Watershed District:

With the approval of Budget 2023 on May 23, 2023, the Manitoba government formally provided \$7.043 million in funding for the Watershed Districts Program. This includes additional funding to support the expansion of several watershed districts to include non-participating municipalities, including the potential expansion to include the RM of Portage la Prairie in the Central Assiniboine Watershed District. To create a forum for municipalities to review proposed details of expansion, ask questions, and discuss the expansion process, Environment and Climate and the Central Assiniboine Watershed District will host a virtual meeting on Monday, July 31, 2023 at 1:30 pm. The Microsoft Teams meeting link is included below.

Last month, department staff met with the RM of Portage la Prairie to present recent program changes and the benefits of municipal participation, and to gauge interest in participating. As part of the process, we are developing an expansion proposal for the Central Assiniboine Watershed District. The proposal will outline details related to the expansion to include the RM of Portage la Prairie, including the number of appointments to subdistricts by municipality, and the method for calculating municipal levy contributions. We will provide an overview of the expansion process and review the draft proposal during the July 31 meeting. Representatives from ALL municipalities included in the Central Assiniboine Watershed District are encouraged to attend, as bringing in new municipal partners may result in changes to existing municipal levy contributions.

After the session, the expansion proposal will be provided to each municipality. Upon review of the proposal, existing and new partner municipalities of the watershed district will be asked to pass a resolution supporting expansion details. The expansion of the Central Assiniboine Watershed District must have the support of all municipalities included in the proposal. A change in the Watershed Districts Regulation is required to formally expand the district. The expansion proposal and supporting municipal resolutions help outline the regulation changes required to establish the expanded district.

Additional background on the Watershed Districts Program is available at www.manitobawatersheds.ca. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at 204-918-5287 or Kelly-Anne.Richmond@gov.mb.ca.

Thank you for your continued support and interest in the Watershed Districts Program. I look forward to seeing everyone on **Monday, July 31, 2023 at 1:30 pm.**

Kelly-Anne Richmond, M.Sc. (she/her)
Manager, Watershed Planning and Programs

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Norma Will

From: FCM Communique <communique@fcm.ca>
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2023 2:47 PM
To: Norma Will
Subject: FCM Voice: Survey on municipal climate action | AC 2023 highlights | HAF portal now open | and more

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Survey reminder: Measuring climate action in Canadian municipalities

What is your local government doing to reduce local GHG emissions? We want to hear from your staff about the state of climate action in your community.

The [Municipal Net-Zero Action Research Partnership](#) (N-ZAP) is undertaking an assessment of the current state of local climate action in Canada. Survey results are being collected until **Friday, August 4**, and will be made available in a public database and used to inform the development of practical and cutting-edge climate resources for municipalities. Your feedback will be extremely valuable in our efforts to accelerate local climate action in Canada.

» [SHARE THE SURVEY WITH YOUR STAFF](#)

N-ZAP is a research partnership funded by the [Government of Canada](#) through the Climate Action and Awareness Fund (CAAF) and jointly led by the [University of Waterloo](#), FCM's [Green Municipal Fund](#) and [ICLEI Canada](#), working with 11 other academic institutions, 8 national organizations and 13 municipal partners.

NEWS

Highlights from FCM's 2023 Annual Conference and Trade Show

Over 2,900 attendees—including 1,500 municipal leaders—came together in Toronto for Local Action, National Results, FCM's 2023 Annual Conference and Trade Show. We're happy to share the AC 2023 Highlights document to recall key moments from the event and share with your municipal colleagues. If you were unable to attend, we hope this document will inspire you to join us for AC 2024 next June in Calgary.

» [READ THE DOCUMENT](#)

Housing Accelerator Fund: Application portal now open

The Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) portal is now open. It will remain open until Friday, August 18, though municipalities facing capacity issues or timing constraints are urged to contact the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) as soon as possible should an extension be required. Interested municipalities are encouraged to submit their application as soon as possible given the short intake window. Visit the HAF application portal for details on how to apply. For program-design-specific questions and comments, contact FCM's policy lead on housing and homelessness, [Brittany Andrew-Amofa](#).

» [ACCESS THE HAF PORTAL](#)

EVENTS

Webinar: Unlocking the path to net-zero on July 27

Are you ready to take strategic action towards achieving net-zero emissions? Learn from industry experts who have successfully implemented strategic planning for net-zero initiatives in our upcoming webinar on Thursday, July 27, 2023, at 1 p.m. ET. Gain valuable insights that will empower you to drive sustainable change in your community.

Speakers include:

- Hemant Grover, Manager, Office of Climate Change and Energy Management, Region of Peel, ON
- Mike Fletcher, Project Manager, Climate Change and Resiliency Team, City of Ottawa, ON

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RESOURCES

Visit GMF's Learning Centre to access more resources

GMF understands the strength of collaboration and the power of shared experiences. GMF's Learning Centre connects you with a network of Canadian communities facing similar challenges, enabling you to learn from their knowledge and replicate those outcomes in your local context. GMF has championed over 2,100 projects, accumulating valuable insights, proven solutions, and best practices. Discover our accessible products and support, how they align with GMF funding and how they are adaptable to your local context.

» [ACCESS OUR LEARNING CENTRE](#)

How to set greenhouse gas reduction targets for Canadian cities

Are you looking for a resource to help your municipality establish and meet greenhouse gas reduction targets? How to set greenhouse gas reduction targets for Canadian cities, a guide from FCM and ICLEI Canada's Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program, can help. The guide offers advice on how to develop targets and climate action plans aimed at establishing healthier, more sustainable communities.

» [READ THE GUIDE](#)

PCP is managed and delivered by FCM and [ICLEI—Local Governments for Sustainability Canada](#) (ICLEI Canada) and receives financial support from the Government of Canada and ICLEI Canada.

Rewatch the CBR webinar on transitioning to net-zero ice rinks

Learn how to reduce energy consumption, utility costs, and local GHG emissions in your municipality by rewatching our Community Buildings Retrofit (CBR) webinar on transitioning to net-zero ice rinks.

Discover the basics of net-zero upgrades for indoor rinks along with practical tips on choosing the best options.

The CBR initiative is an excellent resource for municipalities seeking to reduce their community's carbon footprint.

» [WATCH THE RECORDING](#)

FCM TWEETS

July 11: As the national population grows, local governments are being asked to do more with less and face huge challenges, including maintaining more than 60 percent of Canada's public infrastructure and delivering the vital local services Canadians depend on with only between 8 and 10 cents from every tax dollar collected.

The status quo is not an option if we want to successfully meet our nation's growth objectives and build a better life for all Canadians. [#CDNMuni](#)

» [MORE](#)

July 13: FCM is at the [@UN #HLPF2023](#) this week as part of a Canadian delegation, discussing the critical role Canadian municipalities play in driving solutions to global challenges.

FCM Executive member [@RoryNisan](#) presented an update on behalf of Canada on Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 11, Sustainable Cities and Communities ... [read more](#).

July 15: Would you bring an under-represented perspective to national policy conversations? Share insights from your community with [#CDNMuni](#) across Canada. Non-Board members are invited to apply for a role on FCM's standing committees. Apply by Monday, July 17: <https://t.co/akoSWAQVsM>



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Subject: FCM Voice: GMF's Three-Year Plan | Federal cabinet shuffle | FCM Municipal Marketplace | and more

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Announcing GMF's Three-Year Plan

Since GMF's inception in 2000, it has been Canada's leader in helping municipalities transition to sustainable solutions, faster. It has supported more than 2,000 municipal projects and been entrusted by the Government of Canada with several rounds of funding, including the recent \$530 million through the Government of Canada Climate Adaptation Action Plan to help support and accelerate community-based climate adaptation initiatives.

The new GMF Three-Year Plan outlines its exciting next phase. The Plan includes a renewed organizational purpose, vision and three-year strategic objectives based on 23 years of experience and a newly revised federal funding agreement.

» [READ GMF'S NEW THREE-YEAR PLAN TODAY](#)

NEWS

FCM's reaction to the federal cabinet shuffle

Last week, the Government of Canada announced a significant cabinet shuffle, resulting in several ministers leaving Cabinet or changing portfolios. For the full shuffle list, please read the official [government press release](#).

FCM acknowledged key members of the new federal Cabinet on Twitter, with a focus on our priorities that will build better lives for all Canadians.

» [READ FCM'S REACTION](#)

Apply for Transport Canada's Zero-Emission Trucking Program funding

Transport Canada's Zero-Emission Trucking Program (ZETP) has just launched a call for proposals (CFP) for projects that accelerate readiness for medium and heavy-duty zero-emission freight-haul and vocational vehicles.

The objective of this CFP is to support projects (up to \$1 M per project) that develop, align and modernize curricula, guidelines, codes, standards and regulations to enable and accelerate the safe deployment of zero emission medium and heavy-duty trucking in Canada, as well as associated charging and refueling infrastructure.

For questions, please contact ZETProgram-ProgrammeCZE@tc.gc.ca

» [LEARN MORE](#)

Apply for NRCan's Climate Adaptation Program

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) has opened a Call for Proposals under NRCan's Climate Change Adaptation Program, which supports Canada's National Adaptation Strategy. Up to \$15 million in funding is available to develop tools and resources to support communities, decision-makers and natural resource-sector businesses take adaptation-informed decisions and actions. Apply by September 22, 2023.

» [LEARN MORE](#)

EVENTS

Join GMF's webinar on optimizing municipal building envelopes

Interested in achieving energy savings and improved comfort through building envelope optimization? Join GMF's upcoming webinar, *Enhance comfort and energy savings with municipal building envelopes*, on August 24, 2023, from 1–2 p.m. ET to gain a comprehensive understanding of heat loss mechanisms and learn effective tools and methods to assess energy efficiency opportunities. Participants will learn about practical strategies for implementing building envelope improvements and retrofit initiatives and will explore available options from GMF's Community Building Retrofit funding initiative.

» [REGISTER FOR THE WEBINAR](#)

RESOURCES

FCM Municipal Marketplace: Innovative solutions for your community's needs

The latest edition of Municipal Marketplace introduces a selection of municipally focused service providers offering practical insights and technical solutions on topics including natural disaster response, conservation, and connectivity through telecommunications.

Be sure to subscribe to the [Municipal Marketplace Newsletter](#) to receive the latest updates.

Check out this month's featured Municipal Marketplace partner solutions.

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Strengthen your asset management practices today

"FCM provides good resources to help you get started in your asset management journey. The asset management resource library contains a wealth of information on all aspects of asset management."—Renee Klimosko, General Manager, Financial and Corporate Services, Leduc County

In our asset management resource library, you'll find over 100 guides, tools, templates and more designed to help you make better decisions about maintaining, replacing and repairing municipal infrastructure. With the help of these resources, you'll be better positioned to ensure safe and reliable delivery of services to your residents.

» [VISIT OUR RESOURCE LIBRARY](#)

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Weather-related disasters are costly financially and politically. To help you get started with your mitigation efforts, CSA Group worked with municipalities across Canada to bring you a step-by-step How-to Guide. It will introduce you to our standards for community water management and show you how to use them in your strategic documents.

» [DOWNLOAD THE HOW-TO-GUIDE FOR FREE](#)

LOCAL DATA

Access Municipal Data on the Quality of Life Hub

Quality of life refers to the wealth and comfort of individuals, communities and society based on both material and non-material factors that are important to people's lives, such as health and social connections. Statistics Canada's [Quality of Life Framework for Canada](#) [Municipal Quality of Life Dashboard](#) contains indicators related to these factors which are available at the municipal order via the [Centre for Municipal and Local Data \(CMLD\) portal](#).

FCM TWEETS

July 26: FCM welcomes all members of the new federal cabinet. Canadians expect their governments to work together to tackle the many national challenges in the months and years ahead. We are looking forward to working with you to build safe, inclusive and resilient communities from across Canada. [#CDNmuni](#) [#CDNpoli](#)

July 27: The Rapid Housing Initiative (RHI) has been an important tool in addressing chronic homelessness in Canada. Through the RHI, [#CDNmuni](#) are quickly and efficiently creating permanent housing for thousands of the most vulnerable by leveraging available buildings, land and modular housing ... [read more.](#)

July 28: Well-funded municipalities are essential for Canada's population growth to be well supported. With a modernized framework, empowered local leaders can tackle big national issues like housing and homelessness, infrastructure renewal and climate resilience. <https://fcm.ca/growth>

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Norma Will

From: Manitoba Association of Watersheds <office@manitobawatersheds.org>
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2023 9:18 AM
To: Norma Will
Subject: 2023 Manitoba Watersheds Conference

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Register now for the 2023 Manitoba Watersheds Conference!

The 48th annual Manitoba Watersheds Conference will take place on **December 4 - 6, 2023 at the Keystone Centre in Brandon, Manitoba.** Our theme this year is *Supporting Healthy Watersheds*, and is focused on the challenges and successes of the watershed districts, and how we as an industry can support their needs best. We hope you will join us there!

The conference provides a place for celebrating successes, community building, staying connected to new and emerging practices, education, and advocacy for the protection of our water resources.

Hear directly from watershed districts, local landowners, and learn more about initiatives that support watershed health. A detailed agenda is coming soon – [check our website regularly for updates!](#)

Use the buttons below to complete your registration AND see how you can promote the work of your business or organization through sponsorship and the tradeshow!

REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE

Be Part of the Tradeshow

Conference attendees are invested in protecting Manitoba's water and land, and supporting biodiversity, healthy habitats, and climate resiliency. Our exhibitor packages provide an opportunity to:

- increase your company's visibility
- meet industry specialists and landowners face-to-face
- provide hands-on demonstrations
- distribute educational materials
- influence decision makers

Register today to secure your space on the tradeshow floor!

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR TRADESHOW

REGISTER AS AN EXHIBITOR NOW

Support Through Sponsorship

We couldn't do it without you! Conference sponsors are critical to ensure the continued success of the Manitoba Watersheds Conference.

We have sponsorship opportunities for every budget, and this year we have added additional value to the Watershed Steward package. Please take a look and see which sponsorship level is right for you!

LEARN MORE ABOUT SPONSORSHIP

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About the Organizer

The Manitoba Association of Watersheds supports Manitoba's 14 watershed districts in their efforts to protect Manitoba's soil, water, habitat, and climate. Join us as we come together and share our successes, learn from one another, and collaborate on the shared vision of a stronger, healthier Manitoba ecosystem.

To learn more about the 2023 Manitoba Watersheds Conference visit the [Manitoba Association of Watersheds website](#).



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Sent: Monday, July 31, 2023 12:43 PM
To: Norma Will
Cc: Juanita Haley
Subject: Empowering Aspiring Entrepreneurs in Western Canada
Attachments: Start Now Incubator - VBI to Share .png; EDP - to Share.png

I am reaching out to you with two incredible opportunities that perfectly align with your organization's passion for supporting and empowering your community.

We are excited to announce the launch of two unique programs - the Dream Business Program for Entrepreneurs with Disabilities and the Start Now Incubator Program, designed specifically for diverse Canadian women entrepreneurs.

The best part? Thanks to our valuable partnerships with Community Futures, the Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program, ONSIDE, and the Women's Entrepreneurship Strategy, we are thrilled to offer these programs free of charge!

Both initiatives aim to empower individuals from underrepresented groups in entrepreneurship while fostering an inclusive, supportive, and thriving entrepreneurial ecosystem. These programs are designed to provide participants with:

- *Empowerment and Support:* Tailored coaching, resources, and support to overcome challenges and barriers unique to their entrepreneurial journeys.
- *Community and Networking:* Networking opportunities with like-minded individuals, mentors, and industry experts, fostering a supportive environment for growth and collaboration.
- *Region-Specific Focus:* Emphasizing region-specific insights, resources, and connections ensures participants benefit from relevant, localized support.
- *Customized Approach:* Personalized coaching, mentoring, and resources addressing the specific needs and challenges their respective target groups face.
- *Barrier Reduction:* Creating inclusive and supportive environments to reduce barriers for aspiring entrepreneurs, whether related to disabilities or gender diversity.
- *Flexible and Supportive Environment:* A hybrid community approach that allows participants to flourish at their own pace, complementing our commitment to providing customized support.

Your influence and support can make a profound impact on aspiring entrepreneurs' lives. To help us reach a broader audience, please share our program details on your social media platforms and with your community. We've even prepared and attached images for you to use on your socials, or, to make it even more effortless, the following links will take you directly to posts associated with the programs that you can share:

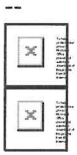
- [Entrepreneurs with Disabilities \(Facebook\)](#)
- [Start Now Incubator \(Facebook\)](#)
- [Entrepreneurs with Disabilities \(LinkedIn\)](#)
- [Start Now Incubator \(LinkedIn\)](#)
- [Entrepreneurs with Disabilities \(Instagram\)](#)
- [Start Now Incubator \(Instagram\)](#)

For more information about the Start Now Incubator, please visit <https://startnowincubator.ca/>, and for details about the Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program, please head to <https://www.dreambusiness.ca/edp/>.

If you'd like to learn more about the Dream Business Program or in discussing options for bringing the Dream Business Program to your community, I've also cc'd our Business Development Coordinator, Juanita, on this email. She would be more than happy to connect with you.

Thank you sincerely for considering our programs. We deeply appreciate your time and the invaluable work you do to support your community's growth and empowerment.

Warm regards,





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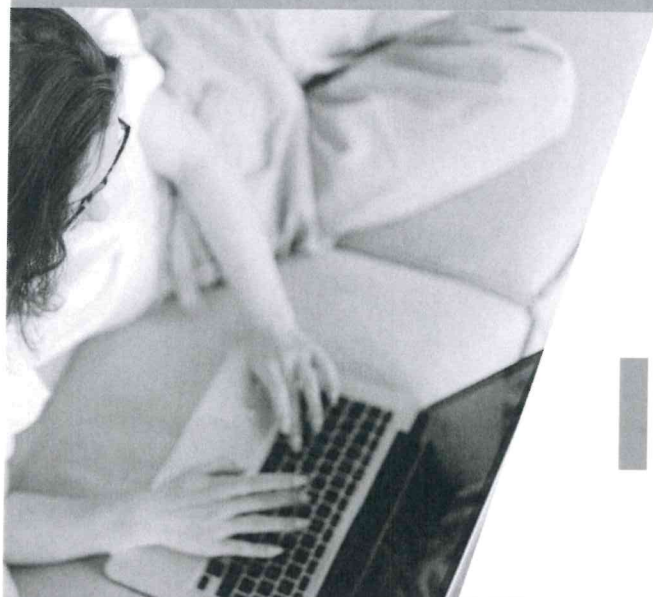


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Dave Kreklewich
Head of Council
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Dear Head of Council Kreklewich:

We are pleased to advise that your application for grant funding of up to \$49,945.00 from the Municipal Capacity Building Fund (MCBF) has been approved, for the following project:

Asset Management Capacity Building Project for Roads & Bridges and Water & Sewer

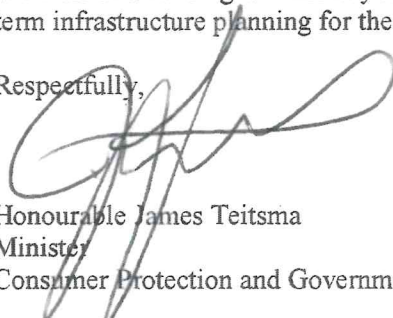
The MCBF is provided through Manitoba's portion of the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF), formerly called the federal Gas Tax Fund.


In the coming days, an initial payment of \$24,972.50 equal to 50% of the approved grant amount will be paid to the Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa. These funds are to be deposited into your Canada Community-Building Fund reserve account until such time as the approved project incurs eligible costs. The balance of this grant will be paid once the project is complete and a full claim and final report is approved by Manitoba.

Further correspondence outlining the claim and reporting requirements is forthcoming from provincial staff in the Agreement Management Unit under the Department of Consumer Protection and Government Services. In the meantime, should you have further questions about this grant, please contact the Agreement Management Unit @ Infra@gov.mb.ca.

We trust this funding will assist your community's efforts in undertaking local and regional long-term infrastructure planning for the betterment of its citizens today and for generations to come.

Respectfully,


Honourable James Teitsma
Minister
Consumer Protection and Government Services


Honourable Andrew Smith
Minister
Municipal Relations

- c. Joseph Dunford, Deputy Minister, Consumer Protection and Government Services
Bruce Gray, Deputy Minister, Municipal Relations
Joni Swidnicki, CAO



MINISTER
OF MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

Room 317 Legislative Building
Winnipeg, Manitoba CANADA R3C 0V8

August 3, 2023

His Worship David Kreklewich
Mayor
Municipality of Oakland-Wawanesa
HofC.Kreklewich@oakland-wawanesa.ca

Dear Mayor Kreklewich:

I am pleased to announce that the municipality will receive \$ 134,787.88 in provincial funding in 2023 to support strategic infrastructure projects within your community.

This one-time funding is being provided for municipalities to invest in local priorities that may include mitigating high levels of inflation on existing projects or to initiate new projects. Funding, to be distributed on a per capita basis, is supported with the remaining \$39.9 million from the overall \$70.6 million Strategic Infrastructure Basket available to municipalities outside of Winnipeg. Municipalities will have flexibility to apply the per capita funding to where it is most needed based on local capital priorities, which reflects the Manitoba government's commitment to fair say. The balance of the overall allocation is used to support previously approved federal provincial projects, including those under the now fully subscribed Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP), and water and sewer projects administered by the Manitoba Water Services Board.

I am also pleased to note that an additional \$44.5 million will be available to all municipalities outside of Winnipeg through the new Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure Program in 2023/24. This application based program is intended to support immediate advancement and implementation of critical infrastructure projects under the key investment themes of Economic Development, Renewal, and Innovation. More information on this program is available on [Manitoba Municipalities Online](#).

The department is currently developing a funding contribution agreement that will outline terms and conditions of the per capita funding, including reporting requirements.

I look forward to seeing the positive impact this funding will have on your community's infrastructure priorities. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the Municipal Funding Policy and Programs Branch at mfpp@gov.mb.ca.

Thank you for your dedication to building strong and sustainable communities, and for your ongoing collaboration with our government.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Smith', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Honourable Andrew Smith
Minister

- c. Bruce Gray, Deputy Minister, Municipal Relations
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Joni Swidnicki

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To: Joni Swidnicki
Subject: Update on Manitoba's Transition to full EPR



Update on Manitoba's Transition to full EPR

July 31, 2023

We are writing to provide you with an update on the status of Multi-Material Stewardship Manitoba's (MMSM's) Transition Plan and the province's transition to full extended producer responsibility (EPR).

Following extensive stakeholder consultations, MMSM submitted its draft **Transition Plan** to the Minister of Environment and Climate on November 17, 2021. A revised version of the **Transition Plan** was submitted on June 3, 2022. The Manitoba Government held a public consultation between July and August 2022 to receive further input into the plan. The public report can be found [here](#).

In May 2023, MMSM received an **extension letter** for its current program plan in order to allow for more time to finalize the Transition Plan. The Government advised that it will also be establishing an advisory committee that will consist of MMSM and other key stakeholders impacted by the transition to full EPR to discuss feedback, suggestions and key elements of the plan. The Government's statement is below:

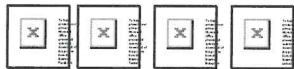
"The transition to a full industry-funded recycling model for residential blue bin materials is an important milestone on the road to modernize waste diversion and recycling in Manitoba. Public feedback on MMSM's Transition Plan identified the need to strengthen the plan and ensure a smooth transition for all communities, stewards, and other stakeholders. In response to the public feedback, the Department of Environment and Climate will establish an advisory committee to develop solutions for moving forward with this important initiative."

The government has retained a third party to support the advisory committee. We anticipate the advisory committee will begin their work in the fall.

The MMSM team continues to work to prepare for the province's move to full EPR while the Transition Plan is further reviewed and will continue to keep stakeholders updated on developments and timelines.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please contact us at transitionfeedback@stewardshipmanitoba.org.

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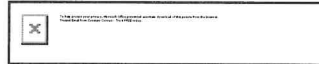


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Important Notice to All Elected Officials and Chief Administrative Officers

Amendments to: The City of Winnipeg Charter The Planning Act

On September 1, 2023, the remaining sections of The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act S.M. 2022, c. 27 (the former Bill 34) will come into force. The Act streamlines land use planning processes, modernizes building inspections processes and reduces red tape for stakeholders and Manitobans.

Phase One Proclamation

On December 31, 2022, key red tape amendments came into force addressing removal of buildings from land in tax arrears, eliminating a duplicative sinking fund audit requirement and authorizing the City of Winnipeg to appoint individuals who are not employees of the City to act as inspectors and issue orders to remedy contraventions related to the building and fire code.

Phase Two Proclamation

The remaining amendments will come into force September 1, 2023. One red tape amendment will allow for processing of substitutional service orders through Manitoba Land Titles and Personal Property Office for compliance of demolition orders in the City of Winnipeg.

Planning amendments include:

- Statutory timelines for application processing and planning appeals are clarified and can be extended with the agreement of the applicant.
- Planning authorities have an additional 30 days on the longest applicable timeline when holding combined hearings on two or more planning applications.
- Planning authorities have 20 days to determine if an application is complete for the following applications: a development plan amendment, secondary plan, zoning by-law, development agreement, variance, conditional use of land, an application for approval of or amendment to a plan of subdivision.
- The timeline to file an appeal with the Municipal Board for subdivisions, aggregate quarries, and large-scale livestock operations is reduced from 30 days to 14 days under The Planning Act to align with other appeal timelines.
- Hearing notification requirements are updated for planning applications in the City of Winnipeg to make them more consistent with the rest of the province.

- Winnipeg Zoning by-laws must be consistent with its Development Plan and applicable secondary plans to align with the rest of the province.
- Under The Planning Act, the expiry of an approved variance can be extended for an additional year for a maximum of three years, to align with the expiry of approved conditional uses and with the City of Winnipeg Charter.
- Clarifications in French and English and new definitions and language updates.

Secondary Plans

Moving forward there will be greater clarity and transparency around secondary plan processes within the City of Winnipeg.

The City can only require an applicant to prepare a secondary plan if they have adopted a by-law that sets consistent rules on when a secondary plan is required and what the requirements are. The Act establishes a 20-day timeline to accept secondary plan applications and 150 days for Council to make a decision on the secondary plan. Property owners will have the right to appeal a missed timeline or Council decision on their secondary plan application to the Municipal Board.

For more information, including FAQs and a fact sheet, detailing changes introduced by The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act please visit the department's website at: https://www.gov.mb.ca/mr/land_use_dev/about_planning.html

You can access The City of Winnipeg Charter Amendment and Planning Amendment Act on the Manitoba Legislative Assembly website at:
<https://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/2022/c02722e.php>

If you have questions or require further information, please contact your regional Community Planning office, or call the Winnipeg Office at (204) 945-2150.

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MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

**Important Notice to
All Elected Officials and Chief Administrative Officers**

**Small Municipalities: Requirement to Update
Accessibility Plans for 2024 and 2025**

******This communication is available in alternate formats, upon request.

The Accessibility for Manitobans Act (AMA) was enacted in 2013 and provides a long-term, systemic, and pro-active approach to improve accessibility and make Manitoba more inclusive for everyone. The AMA requires that public sector bodies update their previously established accessibility plan every two years.

Small municipalities were required to develop an original accessibility plan by December 2017 and accessibility plan updates were required by December 2019 and December 2021. By updating the plans, municipal officials can celebrate achievements in the removal of accessibility barriers, reflect on accessibility goals and actions, prepare to comply with forthcoming accessibility standards (e.g. The Accessible Information and Communication Standard Regulation), and be accountable for current and future endeavours.

Please be advised of the upcoming deadline for small municipalities to update their accessibility plans by December 31, 2023 for the calendar years 2024 and 2025.

The Manitoba government's Accessibility Compliance Secretariat monitors and enforces compliance with requirements under the AMA, and publishes compliance data in annual reports. Compliance with the requirement for small municipalities to update their accessibility plans for 2024 and 2025 will be tracked by the Accessibility Compliance Secretariat. Please send your municipality's updated accessibility plan to the secretariat at accessibilitycompliance@gov.mb.ca by no later than December 31, 2023.

The attached guide and template can be completed and submitted to the secretariat to meet this requirement.

Virtual Workshop: Process for Updating Accessibility Plans

Workshop details: The Accessibility Compliance Secretariat is offering two virtual workshop opportunities for municipal officials who wish to learn more about the process of updating their accessibility plans.

When:

- Wednesday September 27, 2023 from 10:00 am – 12:00pm **or**
- Wednesday October 4, 2023 from 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Where: Virtual Zoom Webinar

Register: Email accessibilitycompliance@gov.mb.ca with your preferred session to receive login information for the virtual event.

Accessibility: An essential part of planning the webinar is ensuring accessibility. Please email accessibilitycompliance@gov.mb.ca if you require accessibility measures or French interpretation services.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Dubik
Deputy Minister of Families
Statutory Director under The Accessibility for Manitobans Act

*Department of Municipal Relations
500 – 800 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3G 0N4*



A Guide to Update Your Municipal Accessibility Plan

For small municipalities that have less than 50 employees.

Legal disclaimer: This information in this guide complements the application of the regulations under The Accessibility for Manitobans Act (AMA) and is not legal advice. For certainty, please refer directly to the AMA and its regulations.

This document is available in alternate formats, upon request. Please contact the Manitoba Accessibility Office by email at MAO@gov.mb.ca or by phone at 204-945-7613 (in Winnipeg) or toll free at 1-800-282-8069, ext. 7613 (outside Winnipeg).

Feedback is welcome.

Introduction

The Accessibility for Manitobans Act requires public sector organizations, including small municipalities, to update their accessibility plan every two years. The aim of this guide is to help you review and update your accessibility plan and comply with legislative requirements of section 33 of The Accessibility for Manitobans Act.

You may choose to update your accessibility plan by editing the original accessibility plan that acts as a baseline. The process of updating the plan provides a unique opportunity to promote accessibility among staff, customers and stakeholders, including municipal residents and visitors with disabilities.

Consultation with persons disabled by barriers or organizations that represent or support persons disabled by barriers is required every time an accessibility plan is updated. Your municipality can decide how to adhere to this requirement in a way that works best for your community. To demonstrate compliance, describe the manner in which your municipality engaged in consultations in the updated accessibility plan.

***** Important:** The Accessibility for Manitobans Act and its regulated standards do not include provisions for renovations, the installation of new accessibility features inside of buildings, or other matters that are already regulated under The Manitoba Building Code.

***** Did you know?** Councils of two or more municipalities can agree to prepare a combined updated accessibility plan. This is permitted under The Accessibility for Manitobans Act.

We hope this guide helps your municipality to celebrate achievements over the last two years and to plan an accessible way forward.

5 Simple Steps to Update Your Accessibility Plan

Step 1. Review progress and identify achievements

Begin by reading your previous accessibility plan and identify progress on actions your municipality has made in the past two years to promote accessibility. Guiding questions to help you complete this section include:

- Two years ago, your municipality identified a number of barriers and actions to remove them. Have the identified barriers been removed successfully?
- Did the actions to promote accessibility take place? If not, why? Could you modify actions to improve results for the next edition of the plan?
- Have any changes been made to existing policies, programs, practices or services to remove accessibility barriers?
- Move completed action items to the “achievements section” of the plan to demonstrate ways in which your municipality has removed barriers.

Tip: Keep accessibility in mind when discussing strategic planning and consider integrating the plan into quarterly or annual reporting periods, and/or council meetings.

Step 2. Review existing requirements

Begin by reviewing the requirements under The Accessibility for Manitobans Act and its regulated accessibility standards.

- Review the requirements of The Accessible Customer Service Standard Regulation and think about how barriers to accessible customer service may present in your municipality.

* For a quick overview of accessible customer service requirements, see the [accessibility standard for customer service checklist](#).

- Review the requirements of The Accessible Employment Standard Regulation and think about how barriers to accessible employment may present in your municipality.

* For a quick overview of accessible employment requirements, see the [accessibility standard for employment checklist](#).

- Review the new Accessible Information and Communication Standard Regulation and make a plan for your municipality will comply with this regulation by May 1, 2025.

* For a quick overview of accessible information and communication requirements, see the [accessibility standard for information and communication checklist](#).

- Determine if your municipality is complying with the regulated accessibility standards that are already in force and identify unmet requirements, if any exist.
- Assess your municipality's existing policies, programs, services, and bylaws through an accessibility lens to determine their effect on people encountering barriers. Are there any changes to existing policies or processes that can be made to remove barriers?
- Consult with persons disabled by barriers and/or organizations that represent or support persons disabled by barriers in your community to identify relevant accessibility barriers.

Tip: Consultation may include a request for feedback online, on paper or in person at meetings. You may also wish to administer a survey.

* Review this resource to learn more about [how to meet the consultation requirement for updating accessibility plans](#).

Step 3. Set future priorities

Review the data and feedback gathered in Step 2 to help set future accessibility priorities for your municipality.

- Consider the feedback received from consultation efforts while setting priorities for your municipality over the next two years.
- To ensure compliance, prioritize any requirements under regulations that have not been met (e.g. training requirements related to accessible customer service and accessible employment)

Step 4. Develop an action plan

Now begins the work of setting the action plan for the next two years. You may choose to edit your previous accessibility plan, use the template below, or develop a new format that works best for your municipality.

- Write down concrete actions that will take place to remove, reduce, or prevent accessibility barriers and to comply with existing regulated accessibility standards.

Step 5 - Make your update public

Finalize the document and make sure it is available to the public. Many municipalities choose to meet this requirement by posting their updated plan on their website.

Accessibility Plan Update – Template

[Name of Municipality]

Date of first approval:

[Insert date]

Date updated:

[Insert date]

Years Applicable:

[January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2025]

Contact person:

[i.e. Accessibility Coordinator, Chief Administrative Officer]

Contact Information:

[Insert contact information]

Achievements

[List achievements here. We encourage you to organize achievements based on accessibility standards (i.e., accessible customer service and accessible employment)].

Policies

[List policies, processes, practices, programs, or bylaws that improve accessibility. For example, highlight your municipality's practice of providing council minutes in alternate formats, upon request.]

Actions

[Include actions items that were identified in Step 4. Some actions may be ongoing and not have a definitive end date, while others can be completed by a specified deadline. Also, you may choose to add additional information related to the implementation of each action item, such as a timeline and who is responsible for the action]

Action 1: [Identify action]

Additional Information:	
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Action 2: [Identify action]

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Action 3: [Identify action]

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Action 4: [Identify action]

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Action 5: [Identify action]

Additional Information:	
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[Continue listing action items, as needed.]

Contact information

If you have any questions about compliance or wish to receive resources, as well as copies of accessibility plans of other small municipalities, please contact the Accessibility Compliance Secretariat:

Accessibility Compliance Secretariat

Second Floor – 114 Garry Street

Winnipeg, MB R3C 1G1

Phone: 204-792-0263

Email: AccessibilityCompliance@gov.mb.ca

If you require this information in an alternate format please contact the Manitoba Accessibility Office:

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MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

OUTCOMES AND STRATEGIC POLICY BRANCH

Important Notice to all Chief Administrative Officers And Elected Officials

Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure Program

The Government of Manitoba has launched a new Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure Program (MEDIP) in 2023/24 to support economic growth and opportunities for Manitoba municipalities by addressing gaps in current and emerging infrastructure funding needs. Funding of up to \$44.5 million available under the program is incremental to the \$70.6 million Rural Strategic Infrastructure Basket, delivered under the Strategic Municipal Investment Fund.

The application based MEDIP is available to all Manitoba municipalities located outside Winnipeg and is intended to support immediate advancement and implementation of critical infrastructure projects under the key investment themes of Economic Development, Renewal, and Innovation.

Funding will support infrastructure projects under the following strategic investment categories:

- Public Safety
 - Disaster Prevention, Mitigation and Climate Resiliency
 - Fire Stations and Related Capital Projects
- Roads, Bridges and Active Transportation
- Multi-Modal Transportation
- Solid Waste Management and Organic Waste Diversion

MEDIP will fund municipalities based on their demonstrated level of need. Municipalities are expected to: 1) provide a municipal financial commitment towards the project; 2) are encouraged to seek additional funding support from external partners (e.g. federal contribution); and 3) propose a provincial share to cover remaining eligible project costs.

Municipalities are encouraged to assess their financial capacity and propose costs that aligns with their level of need for the project.

Per Capita Funding

In addition to MEDIP, one-time funding of up to \$39.9 million will be allocated to municipalities on a per capita basis in 2023/24 to help mitigate high levels of inflation, which can affect the successful delivery of capital projects. Funding is sourced from the

overall \$70.6 million Strategic Infrastructure Basket available to municipalities outside of Winnipeg. Municipalities will have flexibility to apply the funding to where it is most needed based on local capital priorities, which reflects the Manitoba government's commitment to fair say.

HOW TO APPLY

Municipalities can access the MEDIP program guide and application form through Manitoba Municipalities Online. These documents are also included as part of this bulletin.

The MEDIP application must include a scanned copy of a resolution from the municipal council approving the project and identifying the source of the municipality's cost-share of the project.

Once completed, please submit the application package through MMO under the heading "Submit/View Municipal Report," selecting 2023/24 MEDIP program (Grant Application).

The deadline for submitting a complete MEDIP application form through MMO is **October 6, 2023**. Applications received after this date will not be considered for funding.

Assistance:

Should you require additional information on the Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure Program, please contact Municipal Funding Policy and Programs at MFPP@gov.mb.ca.

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Manitoba Municipal Relations

Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure
Program (MEDIP)

Program Guide

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1. Program Overview

The Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure Program (MEDIP) is an application-based program designed to foster economic growth and opportunities for Manitoba municipalities through shared priority projects that address gaps in current and emerging infrastructure needs. Funding is available through Manitoba's annual Rural Strategic Infrastructure Basket, delivered under the Strategic Municipal Investment Fund. Approximately \$44.5 million is available in fiscal year 2023/24 to support Manitoba municipalities outside Winnipeg to implement critical infrastructure projects that address the following key investment themes:

- **Economic Development** – utilize strategic planning including asset management to ensure critical infrastructure is maintained and in place to support and promote long-term economic growth for municipalities
- **Innovation** – utilize proven emerging technology to respond to current and future infrastructure demands
- **Renewal** – replace or renovate existing infrastructure beyond its current service life

The MEDIP is intended to align with initial municipal planning, design, and engineering efforts. Advancement of such projects will help yield economic opportunities, stimulate job growth, and build strong, resilient communities across the province.

The MEDIP will build upon existing water and wastewater programming delivered through the Manitoba Water Services Board, and federal-provincial programming which is supported under the \$70.6 million Rural Strategic Infrastructure Basket. 100% of the rural capital basket is now fully allocated with the one-time per capita distribution of funding to be allocated in 2023/24.

2. Eligible Recipients

All incorporated Manitoba municipalities outside the City of Winnipeg are eligible for MEDIP funding. Separate funding is allocated to Winnipeg projects for prioritization.

Ineligible applicants include for-profit corporations; not-for-profit organizations, First Nations, Northern Affairs communities, and individuals. Other funding mechanisms exist for these entities, while municipal infrastructure in Manitoba is owned and operated by local governments.

3. Eligible Project Categories

The MEDIP aims to provide targeted funding to municipalities based on their demonstrated level of need with a focus on the following investment categories:

- A. **Public Safety** – projects that ensure economic activities in municipalities can develop in a safe and climate resilient environment
 - Disaster Prevention, Mitigation and Climate Resiliency
 - Fire Stations
- B. **Roads, Bridges and Active Transportation** – projects that enhance the movement of goods, products, services, and people within and across municipalities
- C. **Multi-modal Transportation** – projects such as airports, bus and other ground transportation hubs that support the movement of goods and people resulting in job growth and business opportunities

- D. **Solid Waste Management and Organic Diversion** – projects that support effective waste management and reduction of waste to support environmental sustainability and economic growth into the future

A comprehensive listing of sample eligible projects under each of the above categories is listed under **APPENDIX A**.

NOTE: Municipalities may choose to submit more than one project application under one or more of the above eligible project categories. If municipalities are requesting funding for more than one project, a clear indication of relative project priority must be provided (i.e. please designate each project as first priority, second priority, etc.). A separate application form must be submitted for each project to be considered.

Ineligible Projects

Two categories are excluded from MEDIP: 1) water and wastewater, and 2) recreation and culture. There are existing funding opportunities available for municipalities to access support in these areas, including water and sewer support through the [Manitoba Water Services Board](#); and community development and recreation funding through the departments of Municipal Relations (e.g. [Building Sustainable Communities](#)) and Sport, Culture and Heritage (e.g. [Arts, Culture, and Sport in Community Fund](#)).

Municipalities are encouraged to apply for funding through existing intakes under these programs. For water and sewer projects, the recently announced [Tiered Municipal Water and Wastewater Investment Framework](#) establishes investment tiers for the province to clarify funding mechanisms, procurement approaches, and partnership opportunities for municipalities. Water and wastewater projects will be categorized into three tiers according to cost, project type and scale, and potential to utilize alternative delivery and financing approaches to better address investment demand and ensure success in this area of work.

4. Eligible Funding

MEDIP will fund municipalities based on their demonstrated level of need. Municipalities are expected to:

- 1) provide a municipal financial commitment towards the project;
- 2) are encouraged to seek additional funding support from external partners (e.g. federal contribution); and
- 3) propose a provincial share to cover remaining project costs.

Municipalities are encouraged to assess their financial capacity and propose costs that aligns with their level of need for the project.

There is no cap to the amount of funding that can be requested through the MEDIP project application process. However, total funds available will be allocated to as many projects as possible, after provincial review based upon shared priorities of the province, viability and relative quality of each application submitted.

As noted, funding from other federal grant programs can be combined with the MEDIP grant. Additional private, community, and other partner funding sources are strongly encouraged to leverage additional support and maximize overall project value.

5. Eligible Project Costs

Eligible project costs include costs directly related to, and incurred during the actual work on a project. A list of eligible and ineligible costs are provided under **APPENDIX B**. Please note that terms and conditions under individual project contribution agreements may list additional eligible/ineligible costs.

6. Application Process and Deadline

Municipalities can access the MEDIP application form through [Manitoba Municipalities Online](#).

All submissions must include a completed application form and include a scanned copy of a resolution from Council approving of the project and documents showing the municipal commitment towards the project, and other funding sources.

Once completed, please submit the application through MMO under the heading "Submit/View Municipal Report," selecting 2023 Municipal Economic Development Infrastructure Program (Grant Application).

The deadline for submitting a complete MEDIP application form with a supporting Council resolution, through MMO, is Friday, **October 6, 2023**.

7. Evaluation Process and Criteria

Applications will be evaluated against key criteria and assessed to maximize available funding under MEDIP. An interdepartmental team will include Municipal Relations staff, technical and subject matter experts from other departments and relevant program areas (including Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure, Environment and Climate, Consumer Protection and Government Services, and Office of Fire Commissioner). Projects must comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including federal, provincial, and municipal policies and regulations.

All complete and eligible project applications will be evaluated on their own merit based on the following criteria:

- Alignment with municipal plans, such as an asset management plan, local development plan, regional plan, master transit plan, active transportation plan, climate change plan, water management plan, other strategic plans, and work undertaken by Planning Districts and Watershed Districts, etc. Projects are expected to demonstrate how they align with existing municipal plans and priorities.
- Compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, including federal, provincial, and municipal policies.
- Regional benefits of the project. Joint applications involving additional municipal partners are strongly encouraged where applicable.
- Climate resiliency such as reducing Green House Gas (GHG) emissions, preventing disasters, mitigating impacts; and/or innovation that involves employing new designs,

technology, and systems to increase the resiliency of communities, economies, and ecosystems.

- Leveraged funding – municipal contribution towards the project leverages other sources, such as funding through Federal grants (e.g. Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Canada Community-Building Fund – former Gas Tax funding), and private investments. Municipalities will not be able to stack provincial funding received under this program with other existing provincial funding.
- Project readiness – municipalities must demonstrate the ability to initiate, implement, and be substantially completed within three (3) years with provincial funding fully advanced, expended or accrued by that date.
- Key project outcomes that align with MEDIP's investment themes of Renewal, Innovation and Economic Development.

Sample project concepts for specific categories are listed under **APPENDIX A**.

8. Approvals and Reporting Requirements

Notification – all applicants (both successful and unsuccessful) will be notified of the outcome of each of their applications through formal correspondence.

Advanced funding – successful applicants will receive advanced provincial funding for approved eligible projects costs on or before March 31, 2024 once a project contribution agreement has been signed by both the municipality and the Government of Manitoba. The contribution agreement will outline terms and conditions of the funding, which include reporting requirements and a stipulation that funds be placed into a segregated interest-bearing account until they are needed to cover approved project costs. Any interest earned over the term of the agreement form part of the provincial contribution.

Project completion timeline – Projects approved under the 2023 MEDIP application intake must be completed within 3 years. Provincial funds not used prior to this deadline must be returned to the Government of Manitoba if agreement conditions are not adhered to by applicants.

Reporting – Municipalities will be required to report annually on the progress of the project objectives, activities, and targeted outcomes. A financial report will be submitted with each annual report, until funds are fully expended, along with a reconciliation of funding upon project completion.

Project cost overruns – Should an approved project incur cost overruns, these costs shall be borne by the municipality and other project partners; no additional MEDIP funding will be available.

9. Additional Program Information

For more information about MEDIP, please contact: Municipal Funding Policy and Programs Branch of Manitoba Municipal Relations at MFPP@gov.mb.ca.

APPENDIX A

MEDIP Project Categories

1. Public Safety

A. Disaster Prevention, Mitigation and Climate Resiliency

Projects that result in the construction, material enhancement or renewal of infrastructure that reduces or eliminates long-term impacts and risks associated with natural disasters.

Eligible projects under this category include (but are not limited to):

- Building drains, dams and dikes to reduce the risk of flooding.
- Restoring wetlands and other natural infrastructure to reduce the risk of drought.
- Constructing firebreaks to limit the spread of wildfires.
- Installing retaining walls, gabions, and revetments to control erosion.

B. Fire Stations

Projects that result in the construction, material enhancement or renewal of fire halls and fire station infrastructure.

Eligible projects under this category include (but are not limited to):

- Constructing a fire station.
- Renovating a fire station.
- Expanding a fire station.
- Fire Trucks if the acquisition or replacement is to meet new safety standards or part of a broader project involving the construction, renovation, or expansion of a fire station.

2. Road, Bridges and Active Transportation

Projects that result in new road construction, expansion or major renewal and rehabilitation of roads, which extend the useful life of the road; replacement or major rehabilitation of municipal bridges; and construction of active transportation infrastructure.

Eligible projects under this category include (but are not limited to):

- Widening and resurfacing local roads.
- Replacing bridges and culverts.
- Installing active transportation infrastructure (e.g. municipal owned bike lanes and hiking trails).
- Installing sidewalks, street lights and traffic signals (if done at the same time as the road project).
- **Note:** Ineligible projects include ongoing and routine repairs to roads and bridges.

Roads

The following additional criteria may be used to evaluate and prioritize road applications:

- Physical state of the road (closed, reduced weight restriction, etc.)
- Type and volume of traffic using the road
- Length of detour if the road is closed
- Regional significance of the road with respect to commercial activity
- Whether the road provides the single point of access to a community

Bridges

Municipalities may also apply for cost-shared funding for preliminary or detailed design/engineering for bridges. If municipalities have completed both of these required steps, they may apply for funding for bridge replacement or major rehabilitation work:

- **Preliminary Design / Engineering (including Environmental Assessments)** – municipalities may submit an application for preliminary design and engineering costs including environmental assessments with a quote for these services from a Professional Engineer (P. Eng.) registered or licensed to practice in Manitoba with the appropriate scope of practice in bridge engineering.
- **Detailed Design / Engineering** – municipalities may submit an application for detailed design and engineering costs with a quote for these services from a P. Eng. Registered or licensed to practice in Manitoba with the appropriate scope of practice in bridge engineering. A copy of the preliminary design and engineering report for the proposed project, sealed by a P.Eng. must accompany this application.
- **Bridge Replacement / Major Rehabilitation (Design-Bid-Build Option)** – municipalities may submit an application for all construction costs for the project with a detailed cost estimate prepared by a P.Eng. registered or licensed to practice in Manitoba with the appropriate scope of practice in bridge engineering. A copy of the preliminary design and detail design report for the proposed project, sealed by a P.Eng. must accompany the application.
- **Bridge to Culvert Replacement (Design-Build Option)** – municipalities may submit an application for all detailed design and construction costs for the project with a detailed cost estimate prepared by a P.Eng. registered or licensed to practice in Manitoba with the appropriate scope of practice in bridge engineering. A copy of the preliminary design and engineering report for the proposed project, sealed by a P.Eng. must accompany the application.
- **Bridge Rehabilitation (Design-Build Option)** – municipalities may submit an application for all detailed design and construction costs for the project with a detailed cost estimate prepared by a P.Eng. registered or licensed to practice in Manitoba with the appropriate scope of practice in bridge engineering. A copy of the structural engineering assessment report for the proposed project, sealed by a P.Eng. must accompany the application.

The following additional criteria may be used to evaluate and prioritize bridge applications:

- Physical state of the bridge (closed, reduced weight restriction, etc.)
- Type and volume of traffic using the bridge
- Regional significance of the bridge with respect to commercial activity
- Length of detour if the bridge is closed
- Whether the bridge provides the single point of access to a community

3. **Multi-modal Transportation**

Projects that result in the construction, material enhancement or renewal of infrastructure that supports a shared passenger ground or air transport system that is available for public use.

Eligible projects under this category that aligns with a municipal public transit plan or determined through a study include (but are not limited to):

- Constructing designated public transportation surfaces, stations, stops and terminals.
- Renovating transportation maintenance facilities.
- Purchasing new zero or low emission public transit buses.
- Compliance with air transport regulation.
- Implementing Intelligent Transportation Systems.

4. Solid Waste Management and Organic Waste Diversion

Projects that result in the design, construction and/or modification of solid waste management facilities that also divert more material from landfills by using expansion to establish composting areas to divert waste and extend landfill life.

Eligible projects under this category include (but are not limited to):

- Landfill construction costs to resolve capacity challenges through expansion of composting capacity and organic waste diversion.
- Designing and constructing a material recovery facility.
- Installing a leachate collection system and other environmental compliance features in a landfill.
- Regional landfill expansion with the above noted parameters.
- Feasibility studies to inform implementation of innovative organic waste diversion efforts in municipalities (e.g. waste to energy technology).

APPENDIX B

ELIGIBLE COSTS

Eligible costs include the following types of costs incurred:

- a) the capital costs of acquiring, constructing, rehabilitating or improving an asset;
- b) the costs of surveying, engineering, design, supervision, testing, and management services, including fees paid to professionals, technical personnel, consultants and contractors.

INELIGIBLE COSTS

The following types of costs are ineligible costs:

- a) ongoing operating expenses or regularly scheduled maintenance work;
- b) purchase of tools and machinery to carry out the project;
- c) costs related to leasing land, buildings and other facilities;
- d) financing charges, loan costs and loan interest payments;
- e) any overhead costs, including salaries and other employment benefits of any employees of the municipality not related to the actual project; and,
- f) taxes for which the municipality is eligible for a tax rebate and all other costs eligible for rebates.

Please note that terms and conditions under individual project contribution agreements may list additional ineligible costs.

B. Investment Category and Detailed Description

Identify the Investment Category (and if applicable, sub-category) your project falls under, with an X.

	Public Safety
	A. Disaster Prevention, Mitigation and Climate Resiliency
	B. Fire Stations and Related Capital Projects
	Roads, Bridges and Active Transportation*
	Multi-modal Transportation
	Solid Waste Management and Organic Waste Diversion

Provide a detailed description of the project. Refer to the MEDIP Guidelines for a list of eligible projects. If your project is not identified under the list, please provide additional information on how it meets the investment category.

***Note:** If your project is a road or bridge, please provide additional detail under **Appendix A**.

In your project description, please detail:

1. Purpose and project objectives
2. Project activities
3. Project deliverables; and
4. How the proposed project meets the following criteria, where applicable:
 - Alignment with municipal plans such as an asset management plan, local development plan, regional plan, master transit plan, active transportation plan, climate change plan, water management plan, other strategic plans, and work undertaken by Planning Districts and Watershed Districts, etc. Projects are expected to align with existing plans or components of a plan that is in progress.
 - Cite the policies in the applicable plan that is aligned with the proposed project, and provide a link or copy of the plan in your application.
 - Compliance with all applicable regulations, including federal, provincial, and municipal policies.
 - Does this project require compliance with federal, provincial and/or municipal regulations? If yes, please describe if compliance has been met (with supporting documentation attached to this application), or if the project seeks to fulfil compliance.
 - Regional benefits of the project. Joint applications involving additional municipal partners are strongly encouraged where applicable.
 - Is this project a regional initiative (e.g. serves more than one community), aligned with a regional plan, and/or a partnership with another municipality or First Nation? If yes, please describe.

- Climate resiliency such as reducing Green House Gas (GHG) emissions, preventing disasters, mitigating impacts; and/or innovation that involves employing new designs, technology, and systems to increase the resiliency of communities, economies, and ecosystems.
 - Does this project address climate resiliency or adopt new technology? Please explain how.
- Leveraged funding – municipal contribution towards the project leverages other sources such as funding through Federal grants (e.g. Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Canada Community-Building Fund – former Gas Tax funding), and private investments. Municipalities will not be able to stack provincial funding received under this program with other existing provincial funding.
 - Please complete the attached Excel sheet that outlines the full budget of this project, including the: 1) municipal share, 2) other sources of funding – identify confirmed or unconfirmed funding, and 3) requested provincial share. See **Appendix B**.
 - Please note if the budget and project costs have been identified through a construction tender, request for quote (RFQ), engineering study or other.
 - Please identify if cost contingency is built into the budget.
 - Please note source of municipal share – municipal reserve, borrowing, or other.
- Project readiness – ability to initiate, implement, and substantially completed within three (3) years with provincial funding fully advanced, expended or accrued by that date.
 - When are the expected start and end dates of this project? Describe the preliminary work (e.g. feasibility study, development of a business plan, etc) that needs to be done prior to start of this project (if any) or has this been completed?
- Key project outcomes that align with MEDIP's investment themes of Renewal, Innovation and Economic Development.
 - Please detail expected project outcomes in the next section.

III. Project Outcomes

Fill out the following table to detail expected outcomes for your specific project.

PROJECT OUTCOMES. Please identify how your project will meet one or more project objective(s) and identify expected outcomes that the project will achieve upon completion.		
Project Outcomes	Indicators Qualitative/quantitative measure(s) for the intended project outcome.	Outcomes to be Achieved Upon Project Completion Provide details about the expected outcome(s) that the project will achieve upon its completion.
1. Increased Economic Activity		
2. Extended Asset Life		
3. Improved Public Safety		
4. Community or Regional Impact		

A completed sample is provided for a road renewal and expansion project for illustrative purposes only:

PROJECT OUTCOMES. Please identify how your project will meet one or more project objective(s) and identify expected outcomes that the project will achieve upon completion.		
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5. Increased Economic Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of jobs created (external professionals, technical personnel, consultants, contractors) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 contractor with 10 personnel led the road renewal and expansion project.
6. Extended Asset Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of years of asset life extended by undertaking the project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asset life extended by 5 years to the portion of the project involving road renewal.
7. Improved Public Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved road conditions to minimize traffic collisions or pedestrian accidents Improved road conditions to ensure the safe movement of goods and other commercial activity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expansion involved creation of a new road that accommodates a separate active transportation lane, with a dedicated median to protect cyclists from traffic.
8. Community or Regional Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved access and/or connections to community or regional services, amenities, and networks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New main arterial road adds an additional access route to the main highway and better access to a regional recreation centre that serves the local community and the neighbouring two municipalities.

APPENDIX A: MUNICIPAL ROAD AND BRIDGE PROJECTS

Note: To be completed by municipalities applying for funding support for a road or bridge project.

One-Time Road Funding

For road applications, please explain if your municipality has exhausted the one-time road repair funding provided in 2022. Municipalities have until December 31, 2023 to expend this funding.

If one-time road repair funds are still being held in reserve, please clarify:

1. The remaining balance of the funding held in reserve.
2. The planned use of that funding in 2023.
3. The purpose of this road application.

For road and bridge applications, please provide the following additional information:

Project Type

Please identify the specific type of work that will be executed, with an X:

For Roads/Active Transportation		For Bridges	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Expansion	<input type="checkbox"/>	Replacement
<input type="checkbox"/>	New construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rehabilitation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rehabilitation		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Renewal		

Project Category

For Roads/Active Transportation	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Arterial Road
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Road
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Lane
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bike Lane
<input type="checkbox"/>	Trail
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: please specify

Road/Bridge Information

Physical state of the road or bridge	Please identify if the road or bridge is open, closed or has a reduced weight restriction.
Type and volume of traffic	In one or two sentences, describe the traffic the road or bridge usually supports. You can describe nearby routes, commercial activity (e.g. agriculture, aggregate or other commodity), or populated communities (e.g. passenger vehicles) to help explain type of traffic.
Vehicles per day	Provide an estimate or actual account of the volume of daily traffic on the road or bridge.
Length of detour if road and bridge is closed	Note the length in kilometres of the detour if the road or bridge is closed or impassable.
Regional Significance	Briefly describe the regional significance of the road or bridge in the transportation of goods or other commercial activity. Does the road or bridge provide the single point of access to your community?



Supporting Documents

Please include the following supporting documents with your application.

For Roads <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Map that clearly shows the location of the project	For Bridges <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Copy of the project proposal with costs from a qualified engineering firm○ Copies of preliminary design/engineering reports, if applying for design/engineering funding○ Copies of detailed design/engineering report, if applying for replacement/major rehabilitation funding
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DECLARATION OF APPLICANT

I hereby certify that I have read, understood, and remain in compliance with the Municipal Economic Development and Infrastructure Program Guidelines.

I understand that signing my name below constitutes a legal signature. I hereby certify that I am an authorized signing officer of the organization, that this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that the information contained in this application is endorsed by the organization that I represent.

I also agree to provide further information as requested by Manitoba as part of the Municipal Economic Development and Infrastructure Program.

I acknowledge and consent to sharing this information with program reviewers, technical advisors and other agencies with interests in my project.

Signature of organization's authorized officer:
Name: Position: Date:

Your personal information is protected by the protection of privacy provisions of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA) and The Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA). The personal information is being collected for the program administration offered by Manitoba Municipal Relations. This collection is authorized under Section 36(1)(b) of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act as it is directly related to and necessary for your participation in this program. Your personal information may be disclosed only if there is legislative authority for doing so, or if you consent.

APPENDIX "B"
MEDIP PROJECT BUDGET

Example costs below:

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 100,000
TOTAL ELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS:	\$ 80,000
TOTAL INELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS:	\$ 20,000
TOTAL REQUEST FROM MEDIP:	\$ 30,000

Eligible Project Costs	Requested Provincial Amount	Note:
e.g. Professional Fees	10,000	1. Confirm whether overall projects costs have been identified through a tender, RFQ, engineering study, or others.
e.g. Materials	20,000	
		2. Identify if cost contingency is built into the Project Budget, and what percentage it represents.
Cost Contingency (if applicable)		
Eligible Project Costs funded by Manitoba (MEDIP)	\$ 30,000	

FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES (applied towards the project)	Amount	Note:
e.g. Municipal (specify: reserve, borrowing)	25,000	Confirmed
e.g. Federal (specify program)	20,000	Confirmed
e.g. Industry (specify)	5,000	Unconfirmed
Total Funding from Other Sources for Eligible Costs :	\$ 50,000	
Eligible Project Costs:	80,000	
Ineligible Project Costs:	20,000	
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 100,000	

Authorized by the Chief Administrative Officer or Chief Financial Officer:

Name:

Position:

Date:

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MUNICIPAL RELATIONS OUTCOMES AND STRATEGIC POLICY BRANCH

Important Notice to all Chief Administrative Officers And Elected Officials

Municipal Service Delivery Improvement Program

The third intake of the \$5M Municipal Service Delivery Improvement Program (MSDIP) is now open. The MSDIP provides support for municipalities and planning districts to find ways to improve core services, streamline functions, and find cost efficiencies. Up to \$1.5M is available to support new projects in 2023/24.

Municipalities and planning districts can apply for provincial funding through the program for a third-party service delivery review. Any savings that result from these initiatives stay with municipalities and can be reallocated to other priorities in the community.

Successful applicants will work directly with a consultant from a list of prequalified firms to manage a service delivery review. The reviews can be conducted in the areas of transportation, safety and protection, water and sewer, recreation and culture, waste management, planning, general government administration and other core operational services.

In March 2021, the Manitoba government committed up to \$5 million to support this program. The first intake supported 11 projects with a commitment of more than \$1.1M, and 10 projects during the second intake with a commitment of more than \$1.3 million.

Municipal Relations encourages all municipalities who successfully received project support in previous years to submit information on project outcomes and successes achieved through the implementation of consultant recommendations. This will allow the department to highlight successful case studies that may be applicable to other municipalities who are interested in streamlining services to equally find cost efficiencies and savings for reinvestment. The department has reached out to successful applicants in the first year, and will connect to further discuss.

HOW TO APPLY

The deadline to apply under the third intake is **September 15, 2023**. Additional information and the application package (including program guidelines and FAQs) is available on [Manitoba Municipalities Online \(MMO\)](#). A supporting council resolution is required for each application.

For general inquiries or questions, please send an email to MSDIP@gov.mb.ca.

Norma Will

From: Jennifer Beard <VisitorServices@peacegarden.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2023 4:06 PM
Subject: Gala in the Garden Invitation. . .
Attachments: IPG Gala in the Garden 2023 Invite.pdf

Good Afternoon,

Nestled in the Turtle Mountains, the International Peace Garden is a celebration of peace and a living monument to the ideals of friendship and cooperation among nations. We are a non-profit organization located on the Manitoba-North Dakota border. Each year we welcome thousands of people to visit our unique annual Formal Garden beds and our perennials that fill the Sunken Garden. Visitors can also explore one of the world's largest and most diverse Cacti and Succulent collections. For those that enjoy the outdoors, they can kayak, hike, camp and bike all while straddling the Canada-US border.

On behalf of CEO Tim Chapman and the International Peace Garden Board of Directors, I would like to invite you to attend our Gala in the Garden on Saturday August 26, 2023. This beautiful evening will raise funds in support of the expanded Conservatory — a 12-month facility that will host students of all ages, researchers, conferences and weddings.

In addition to enjoying all the blooms, there will be live entertainment, various auctions, great food and even better company. Individual tickets are \$125.00 or a table of 8 is \$875.00. Please find attached our invitation.

To purchase your tickets or table, please contact me at 888-432-6733 ext. 141 or by email at visitorservices@peacegarden.com.

For additional information on the Gala, including area hotels and shuttles, please visit our website at www.peacegarden.com/gala

If you are unable to attend but would like to be a part of the Gala, we are accepting donations to our capital campaign. Donations may be made at <https://peacegarden.com/donate/>. We are also in search of unique items and gift packages for our auctions.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you in the Garden on the 26th!

Warm regards,

Jenn



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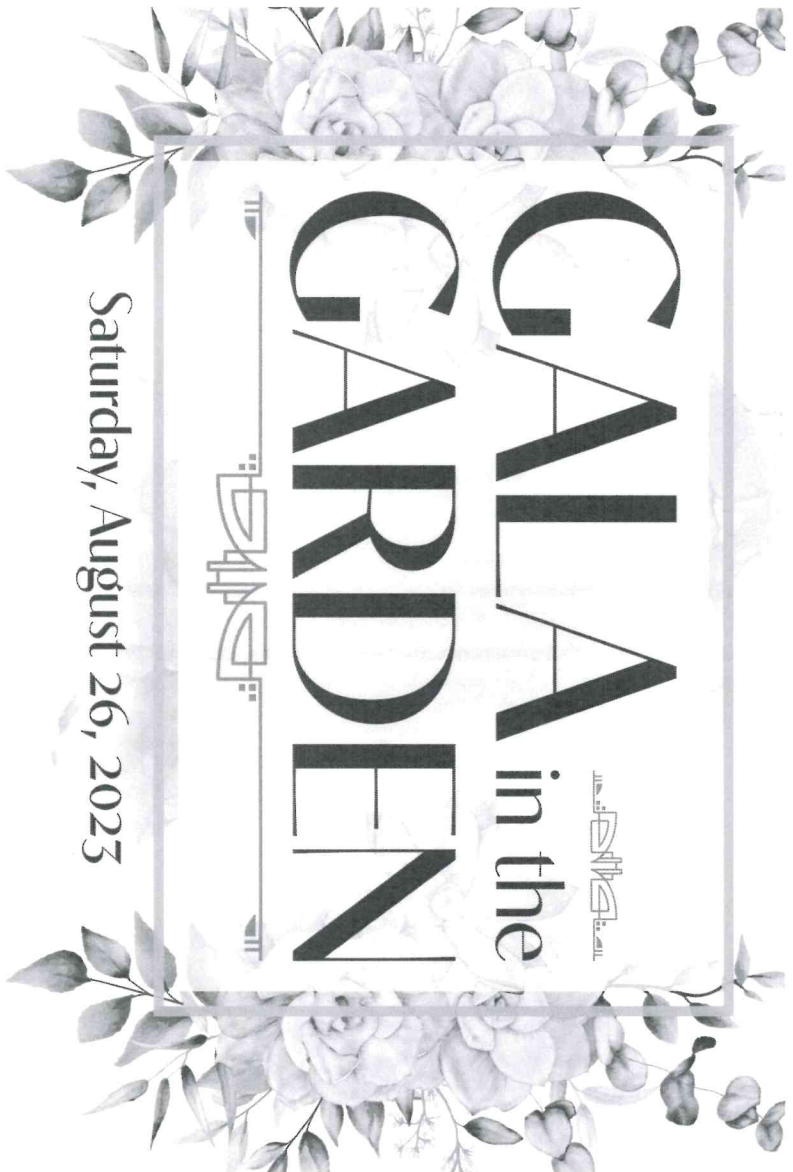
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Saturday, August 26, 2023



GALA in the GARDEN

Put on your semi-formal garden outfit and join us on Saturday, August 26, 2023 for our Gala in the Garden! Enjoy the beauty of the garden in full bloom and celebrate the new home for our incredible collection of cacti and succulents. Relax under a tent on the North Conservatory Patio or stroll the Atrium of the Conservatory. Our next goal: completion of the South Conservatory Patio.

- 5:30 PM: cocktails • 6:30 PM: buffet
- Live entertainment • Live, silent and ticket auctions • Great food

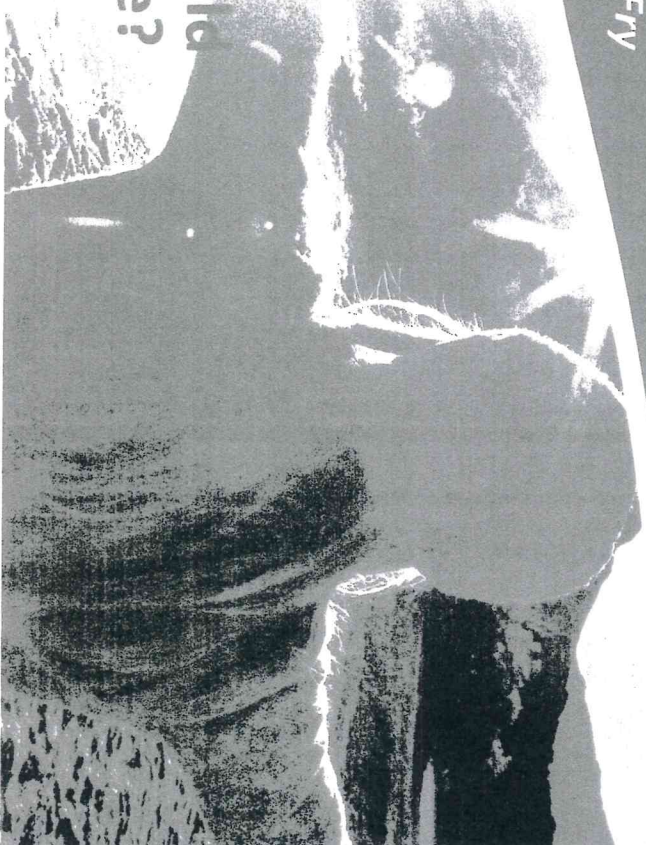
Tickets are \$125 each or \$875 for a table of 8.

To purchase a table of 8, contact Jennifer at visitorservices@peacegarden.com.

To purchase individual tickets, visit our website www.peacegarden.com/gala

PARDON ME

A Criminal Record Suspension Program from EFry



Is your old
record
making it
hard to build
a stable life?

EFry's Pardon Me program may be able to help.

When your record is suspended, you can truthfully reply "no" on job or housing applications that ask if you have a record.

What is Pardon Me?

EFry's Pardon Me is program created to help qualifying people navigate and afford the criminal record suspension process (also known as a pardon).

Who Qualifies?

Record suspension eligibility varies. You may be eligible if it has been at least 3 years since you completed your sentence. EFry will help you figure out if you qualify and move through the process if you do.

Pardon Me is a free program and if your pre-tax annual income is \$25K or less, EFry will cover mandatory government fees.

Visit www.efry.com/pardonme for more information
or email us at pardonme@efry.com or call us at 604.520.1166.



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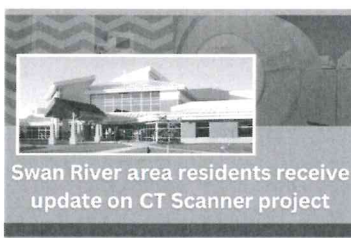
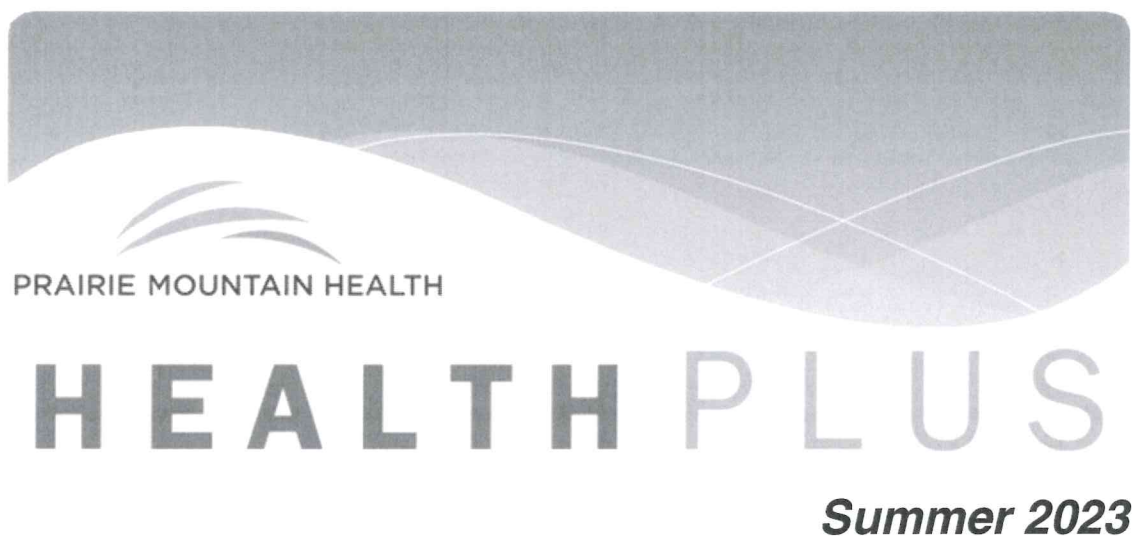
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Swan River area residents receive update on CT Scanner Project

The CT scanner is expected to be in service next summer. Health Minister Audrey Gordon noted a location within the facility has now been selected, the scanner has been ordered and staff have begun training. [Read more](#)



International Overdose Awareness Day | Aug 31

This campaign aims to remember without stigma those who have died and acknowledge the grief of the family and friends left behind. Learn more about the "Empty Chair" Campaign and how to participate. [Read more](#)



Stay safe this harvest season

Harvest is just around the corner in our prairie region. We encourage everyone (farmers and the public) to take precautions and stay safe this harvest season. [Read more](#)



Comprehensive Health Care Aide Program

The CHCA program being offered in Birtle is now available for the general public to apply. Register to attend an online info session. [Read more](#)



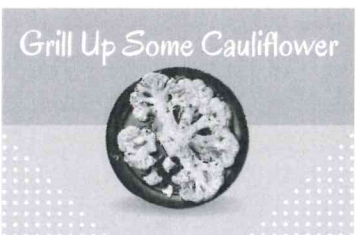
Routine Immunizations

Are you and your family up to date on your immunizations? Contact your local Public Health Nurse to check. [Read more](#)



See how far your care can go

A career in healthcare means changing lives. It's hard work—your skills, perseverance and expertise are put to the test every single day—but the effects are felt throughout an entire community. [Read more](#)



Grill Up Some Cauliflower

Cauliflower is a very delicious and versatile plant that can be roasted, grilled, boiled, fried, steamed, pickled, or eaten raw. [Read more](#)



Donations for Prairie Mountain Health

Thank you for the generous donations received around Prairie Mountain Health this past month. [Read more](#)

Job Application Tips

- ✓ Resume
- ✓ References
- ✓ Security Checks
- ✓ Interview



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Discover tips for what to include on your resume, gathering references, security checks and having an interview. [Read](#)

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9-5

7 DAYS A WEEK

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PMH Classes And Clinics

Palliative Care Volunteer Education Program
Palliative Care Training | Dauphin | Aug. 22 – 24

More Info

For a full listing of classes and workshops click [here](#).

Events

Save The Date

Prairie Mountain Health

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, November 1st, 2023

12 to 1pm



PRAIRIE MOUNTAIN HEALTH

Career Opportunities



Community Mental Health Workers

Needed in **Dauphin, Rivers, Russell, Brandon, Ste. Rose, Birtle & Swan River**

[Details](#)



Registered Dietitians

Opportunities available in **Hamiota, Brandon, San River & Souris**

[Details](#)



Regional Staff Pharmacist

Opportunity available in **Swan River**

[Details](#)



Social Workers

Locations to be determined

[Details](#)

[Click here to view all career opportunities.](#)



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Prairie Mountain Health Regional Office

August 3, 2023

To: PMH Towns/Municipalities

Re: **Out-of-Region Physician Recruitment**

Please be advised that effective immediately (and as applicable to 'in-progress' physician recruitments), **PMH will offer a recruitment incentive of \$75,000 to all new physician recruits to PMH.** This \$75,000 is eligible for all physician recruits who provide regular and ongoing services to PMH facilities and/or programs and are willing to agree to a 4-year return of service agreement (ROSA).

For those physicians that are hired through the International Medical Graduate Program (IMGs) and go through a multi-month provincial assessment process, **OR** are hired through an international recruitment agency where a 4-year ROSA is already required, the 4-year ROSA required for this incentive would be **in addition** to the already mandatory 4-year ROSA, and therefore if accepted would mean a total of 8 years of ROSAs consecutively.


Other important considerations regarding this incentive are as follows:

- This is a limited-time offer and will be available until further notice and as indicated otherwise,
- This will **not** apply to any moves of physicians within PMH,
- Any amount paid for relocation costs is included within the \$75,000 amount,
- The full amount will be provided as soon as the ROSA is signed and the start date has been set, and is within 30 days of the signed ROSA date,
- Any provincial recruitment incentive provided would be in addition to this PMH incentive.
- Examples of ongoing services to PMH facilities and/or programs include ER or urgent care services, coverage for acute care beds, coverage of PCH beds, and services provided to PMH's community programs, etc.

ALL new Canadian graduates are, of course, eligible for this incentive

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Mike Turabian, MTurabian@pmh-mb.ca; Dr. Adrian Fung, AFung@pmh-mb.ca; Michelle McKay, MMcKay@pmh-mb.ca; Lori Pakulak, LPakulak@pmh-mb.ca.

Thank you,



Brian Schoonbaert
PMH Chief Executive Officer

> How Can I Help My Community?

Get to know your neighbours.

Don't give information about neighbours to strangers.

Offer to pick up mail and maintain the yard for your neighbours when they're away. They'll return the favour.

Be aware of suspicious activity.

Write down what you see and report it to police.

Don't assume someone else has reported it.

Get involved with local crime prevention associations such as Citizens on Patrol (COPP).

What Should I Look For?

> SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY AROUND HOUSES

- Dog barking more than usual
- Alarm sounding
- Ladder against house
- Broken windows
- Unusually high traffic at a house

> SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES

- Erratic driving
- Idling near parks for long periods of time
- Vehicles driving at night without lights on
- Abandoned vehicles

> SUSPICIOUS PEOPLE

- People looking in vehicles
- People acting erratically
- People trying to hide

ROUTINE CHECKLIST:

- ☐ Valuables removed from vehicle
- ☐ Garage door opener removed from vehicle
- ☐ All doors locked (including between attached garage and house)
- ☐ All windows locked
- ☐ All gates locked
- ☐ Exterior lights turned on (at night)
- ☐ Expensive outdoor items stored in locked garage or outbuilding (tools, lawn mower, grills, ATVs, etc.)

OTHER TIPS:

- Keep a list and photos of belongings in a secure location or with someone you trust.
- Keep vacation plans off social media.
- For parents, ensure your children know your address and how to call 911.
- For rural residents, ensure your family knows your rural address and legal land address.
- Never let a stranger in your house unless they are with a company and you are able to validate their identity.
- An alarm system is a very effective deterrent to criminals.
- Mark your property with your driver's licence number or consider using a property marking kit.



RCMP "D" Division

HOME SECURITY

Simple Steps for Protecting Your Home

> Call 911:

for emergencies and crimes in progress

> Report all other crime to:

your local RCMP non-emergency line



Royal Canadian Mounted Police Gendarmerie royale du Canada

Canada

Security Tips

Turn on lights at night.

Keep windows locked.

Keep garage locked. Install blinds in windows.

Install motion sensor lights.

Keep vehicle locked (even in garage).

Remove valuables from vehicles, including keys!

Keep outbuildings locked.

Store ATVs in a secure location and remove keys.

Keep doors locked (don't hide key on property).

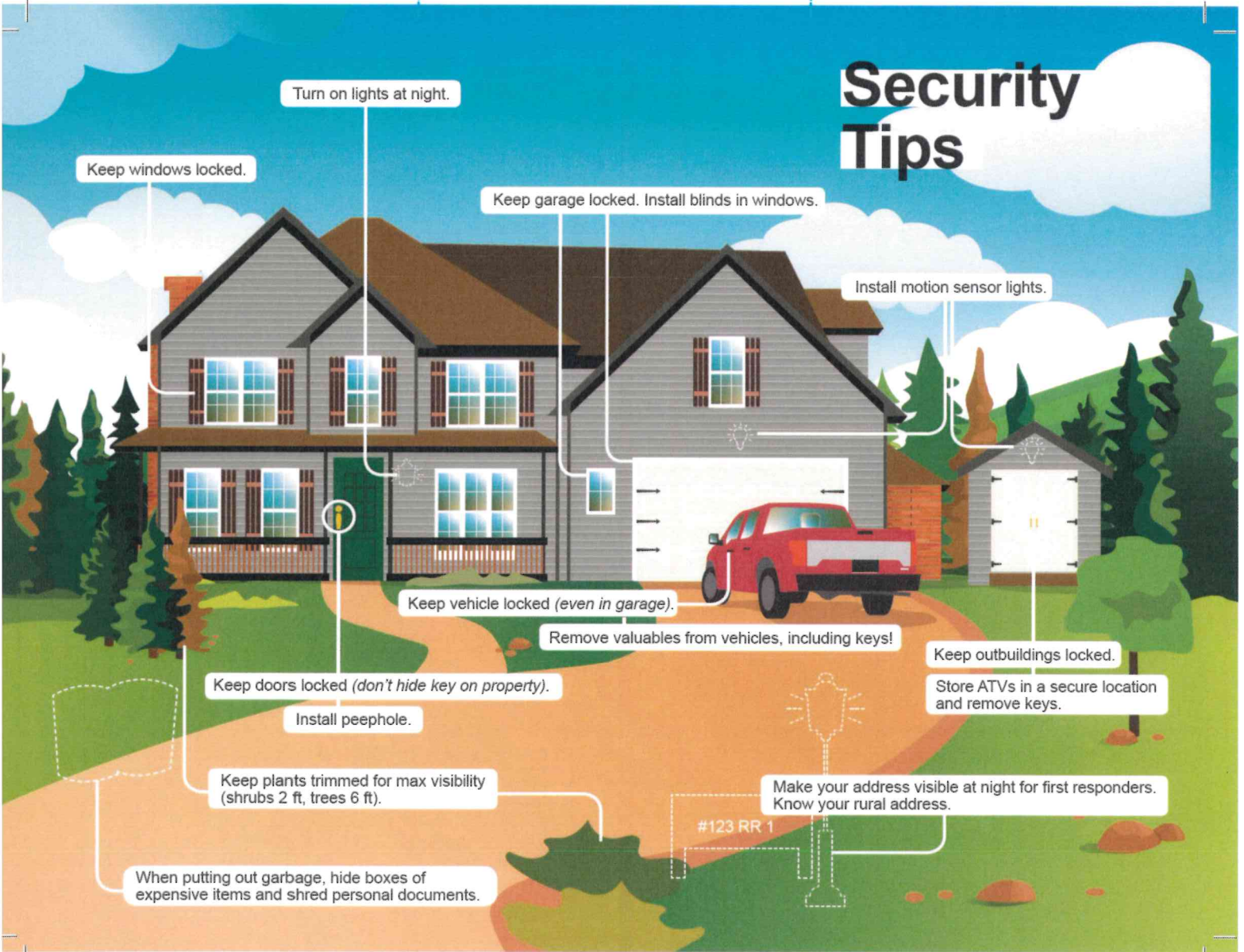
Install peephole.

Keep plants trimmed for max visibility (shrubs 2 ft, trees 6 ft).

When putting out garbage, hide boxes of expensive items and shred personal documents.

Make your address visible at night for first responders. Know your rural address.

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Wawanesa, MB 204-824-4050

July 18, 2023

Hello Friends:

Our company operates an agricultural supply & distribution facility in this neighbourhood. One of our products is anhydrous ammonia, a nitrogen fertilizer. In high concentrations, ammonia is a hazardous product. A binder was given to you in 2019 to provide information to you about what to do in the unlikely event of an emergency involving ammonia. **Please review this information.**

We are committed to operating our business safely and responsibly. If an emergency did occur at our operation, you may receive a phone call from our personnel if the emergency could affect you. You will be advised of the best course of action at that time.

We are not conducting an "in person" informational meeting on site.

If you have any questions, you are welcome to call us at (204)824-4050.

Sincerely,

Brock Sutherland,
Manager
Wawanesa Shur-Gro
204-704-0448



AMMONIA or ANHYDROUS AMMONIA

Ammonia is a naturally occurring chemical. Our bodies make it in small amounts as a waste product. Farmers use it in concentrated form as a nitrogen fertilizer. It is also used for refrigeration and to make many industrial products such as adhesives and cleaning products like Windex.

Ammonia is a hazardous product in its concentrated form, so people using ammonia take many precautions to ensure its safe use. If you are near an ammonia facility or operation, it is important that you know about ammonia and what precautions to take in the unlikely event of an emergency.

Ammonia is caustic in nature, and will cause chemical burns if it contacts your eyes or lungs in high enough concentration. Ammonia has a pungent, biting odor that you can easily smell at very low concentrations.

Ammonia fertilizer is transported and stored as a liquid in pressurized tanks. If an accident were to occur, any ammonia spilled quickly turns to vapour and blows with the wind as it dissipates.

WHAT TO DO

If there is an ammonia accident nearby, you should move across wind to get away from the ammonia vapour. In a building, it is best to shelter in place. Quickly close all the windows, doors, and vents and call for help. The smell may become strong inside, but not enough to hurt you.

WHO TO CALL

In an emergency, please call local emergency services (911). You are also welcome to call your local ammonia fertilizer business at any time.

Shur-Gro Farm Services - Office

Brock Sutherland (Manager)

Evan Durnin

Julie Friesen

Brian Downie (NH₃ consult)

204-824-2195 (H)

204-824-4050

204-740-0448 (cell)

204-761-2503 (cell)

204-371-9018 (cell)

204-573-3852 (cell)

MORE INFORMATION

Your local fertilizer business can provide additional information. Please find attached the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) on ammonia.

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Agrium

anhydrous ammonia

What is Anhydrous Ammonia?

Anhydrous ammonia is a liquefied gas, which is made by putting ammonia gas under pressure and chilling it to below -33°C. The term "anhydrous" means "without water". This product has a sharp odor and is both naturally occurring in the environment and industrially-manufactured.

How is Anhydrous Ammonia used?

Anhydrous ammonia is one of Agrium's key fertilizer products. It is used as the nitrogen source for fertilizer, and also in the manufacture of some specialty fertilizers. It is used by other industries for making refrigerants and household cleaning products.

What are the potential hazards?

Anhydrous ammonia is transported as a liquid at temperatures below -33°C. In the event of a large spill it can form a toxic vapor cloud that is heavier than air until its temperature increases.

Anhydrous ammonia is corrosive to copper, silver, aluminum, zinc, and alloys. It reacts with body moisture, so it may burn body tissue - skin, eyes, mouth, throat, lungs, and stomach - on contact, if inhaled or swallowed.

Ammonia is generally tolerable at concentrations up to 25 parts-per-million (ppm), although the smell is unpleasant and sharp. Above this concentration, irritation of the eyes, nose, and throat may begin. Above 400 ppm, skin burns and coughing occur immediately. The U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has established 300 ppm as the concentration that is immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH); at this concentration a person's ability to escape is impaired.

At concentrations between 1000 ppm and 2500 ppm, increasing chest tightness and severe eye, skin, and lung irritation will result. Immediate suffocation may result at concentrations above 2500 ppm. Effects may be more pronounced at lower concentrations in children, the elderly, and persons with impaired lung function.

Is Anhydrous Ammonia flammable or explosive?

Anhydrous ammonia is a slightly flammable liquid. It is not explosive.

What are the Emergency Response procedures?

In the event of a spill or accidental discharge of anhydrous ammonia, the fire department will assess the scene. Possible actions could include, but are not limited to, evacuating the area or implementing Shelter-in-Place procedures (see the section titled "If there has been a release of toxic vapors"). The emergency responders will attempt to stop the leak of anhydrous ammonia. When anhydrous ammonia is released it maintains its temperature below -33°C (auto-refrigeration) for some time, depending on factors such as outdoor temperature. The product stays in its liquid form, with only the outer layer closest to the air vaporizing at any given time. Emergency responders will not mix water used for firefighting directly with the anhydrous ammonia, as this could result in warming of the product, causing the liquid to turn into a toxic vapor cloud. However, they may use a water spray downwind of the leak source to absorb ammonia gas and dilute the vapor cloud, ensuring the water that is sprayed does not come into contact with the product. The spilled anhydrous ammonia would be recovered using earth moving equipment and sent to a Class 1 landfill for appropriate disposal.

What should you do if you are exposed to Anhydrous Ammonia?

For eye contact:

- Check for and remove contact lenses. **IMMEDIATELY** flush eyes with running water for at least 30 minutes, keeping the eyelids open. Use warm water if available. Obtain immediate medical attention.

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Where can I get more information?

For more information on this product, or other Agrium products, please call Agrium directly at (403) 225-7000.

Information can also be found at the following websites:

• **Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR):**
www.atsdr.cdc.gov

• **Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA):** www.osha.gov

• **Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety:** www.ccohs.ca

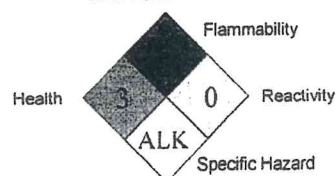
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NFPA Classification



For skin contact:

- Remove contaminated clothing as quickly as possible. Flush exposed skin with large amounts of water for at least 30 minutes. Use warm water if available. If irritation persists, seek medical attention. Dispose of contaminated clothing in a manner that limits further exposure.

For minor inhalation:

- Using appropriate respiratory protection remove the affected individual from the area of overexposure. Allow the person to rest in a well ventilated area. If irritation persists, obtain medical attention.

For severe inhalation:

- Use proper respiratory protection to evacuate affected individuals to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing around the person's neck and waist. If breathing is difficult administer oxygen. If the person is not breathing, perform artificial respiration and obtain immediate medical attention.

For ingestion:

- If the victim is not breathing, begin artificial respiration and continue until the victim is breathing. Do not induce vomiting. Careful removal of the ammonia from the stomach by medical personnel is required. Call a physician or poison control center and seek immediate medical attention. If tolerated and if victim is conscious, give no more than 1 cup of milk or water to rinse the mouth and throat and dilute the stomach contents. No more than 8 ounces (1 cup) in adults and 4 ounces (1/2 cup) in children are recommended to minimize the risk of vomiting.

What should you do in the event of a spill?

Follow any special instructions given over the radio, T.V., or by someone in authority.

If there is a fire or an explosion, stay away from the site. Follow standard, marked emergency routes or directions from police to travel to your destination.

If there has been a release of toxic vapors:

- Go indoors immediately and tightly close all doors, windows, and openings.
- Turn on your radio or television to a local news station. (*Be prepared to wait a few minutes for news.*)
- Follow any special instructions given over the radio or television, or by someone in authority.
- Shut off all air conditioning units, fans, ventilation systems and clothes dryers. In winter, turn your furnace to its lowest setting and close fireplace dampers.
- Evacuate only if advised to do so by local authorities.

You may wish to:

- Place wet towels at the base of doors or breathe through damp towels.
- Bring in pets if they are nearby and easily found.

Unless you are told to do so by authorities:

- **DO NOT** evacuate or travel.
- **DO NOT** bring home children from school, or other family members from work.
- **DO NOT** call 911 or any other authority for information. Keep your telephone line free.

When you have been advised of an **ALL CLEAR**, open your house to let it air out. ■