RM 220 Administrator

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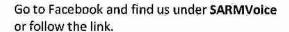
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The Voice of Rural Saskatchewan is now on Facebook

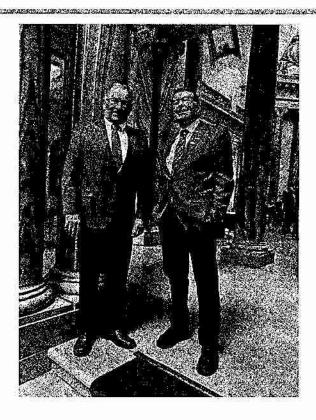






SARM Attends the 2022-23 Saskatchewan Budget Release

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Pictured on the left are SARM's Vice President, Bill Huber, and President, Ray Orb, at the Saskatchewan Legislature on March 23, 2022 for the budget release.

Above, President Orb fields media questions following the release.



That's a Wrap on #SARMAnnual2022

If you missed anything during convention, you can review all three days using the provided links, or visit SARM's channel on YouTube to see this, and more.

SARM Annual Convention on YouTube -Live Stream links:

- Tuesday, March 15, 2022
- Wednesday, March 16, 2022 (AM)
- Wednesday, March 16, 2022 (PM)
- Thursday, March 17th, 2022





Enjoy some of the candid photos from this year's convention and trade show, and watch for the Convention Highlights document and Member's Survey which will be coming out shortly.

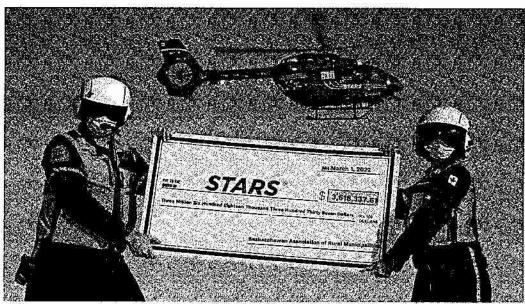


To date SARM members have donated \$3.6+ million to the life saving operations of STARS.

If you haven't donated, please give it some consideration as STARS has had a major impact on saving lives in rural Saskatchewan in over 500 communities. Most people can say they know of someone who has benefited from this valuable life-saving service.

RM donations can be sent directly to SARM (and can be included with regular payments, it doesn't need to be a separate cheque).

Convention Presentation



STARS®

A presentation was made to STARS representatives at the 2022 SARM Annual Convention with the total RM contributions.

At the 2017 SARM Annual Convention, a resolution was passed asking that RMs voluntarily contribute a minimum of \$2 per capita per year to the STARS Helicopter Air Ambulance program.



In Memoriam - Correction Notice

SARM was informed of an unfortunate error in the "In Memoriam" that was presented at the Annual Convention both via slideshow and in the convention handbook.

Please note that Tim Geiger noted below has retired from council at the RM of Happyland No. 231 and is not deceased. We sincerely apologize for this error.

Tim Geiger - Retired Reeve, 1993-2020 Councillor, 1991-1992 R.M. of Happyland No. 231

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(friendly reminder to ensure the correct form is being used before submitting)

Awards & Nominations



The Saskatchewan Municipal Awards celebrate the excellent and innovative practices of Saskatchewan's municipal governments.

FIRST PLACE:

Riverhurst Wetland (Village of Riverhurst)

SECOND PLACE:

Churchbridge Community Campground (Town of Churchbridge) & Multiuse Facility (Town of Birch Hills)

THIRD PLACE:

Jean Louis Legare Regional Park Expansion Project (RM of Willow Bunch No. 42 and Town of Willow Bunch)

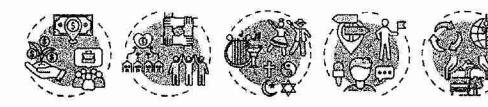
REGIONAL COOPERATION:

South Saskatchewan Ready (RMs of Poplar Valley No. 12, Hart Butte No. 11, Willow Bunch No. 42, Bengough No. 40, and Happy Valley No. 10, and the Towns of Rockglen, Willow Bunch, Bengough, and Coronach)

Since the Saskatchewan Municipal Awards inception in 2006, SARM has been a partner. Congratulations to all the 2022 recipients.



Deadlines



Phase 2 of the application intake process for SK projects under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) for community, culture and recreation projects are currently being accepted.

 Phase 2 closes May 10, 2022. This is for more complex projects needing extra time to complete applications.

Previously unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to submit eligible project proposals under this new intake for community, culture and recreation infrastructure.

This will be the last opportunity to apply for these types of projects under ICIP in Saskatchewan to allow future intakes to focus on other types of infrastructure.

Eligible recipients are also reminded that applications are still being accepted under a currently open intake for landfill decommissioning projects.

If you have any questions, please contact the Municipal Infrastructure and Finance Branch at the Saskatchewan Ministry of Government Relations at: infra@gov.sk.ca or 306-787-1262.



2022 Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Enrolment Deadline Extended



Federal Agriculture and Agri-Food Minister Marie-Claude Bibeau and Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister David Marit announced the 2022 Crop Insurance enrolment deadline is extended to **April 14, 2022**.

Due to logistical challenges because of the ongoing supply-chain issues posed by the pandemic, there was a delay in the delivery of the 2022 Crop Insurance packages to producers' addresses. These challenges occurred after the packages left the Saskatchewan Crop Insurance Corporation (SCIC) on February 25, 2022.

As of March 10, 2022, the 2022 Crop Insurance packages were circulated and distributed to producers' addresses.



Resources

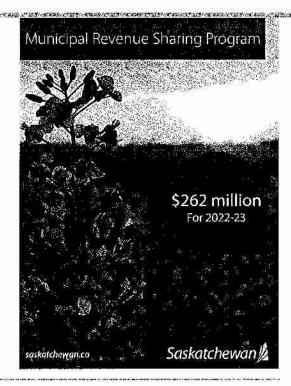
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Province to invest \$262 Million to Benefit Municipalities

More than \$262 million will be invested for the overall Municipal Revenue Sharing (MRS) Program in 2022-23 to benefit SK municipalities and support their priorities.

"This annual and predictable provincial revenue allows local decision makers the flexibility to address the needs that matter most to their municipalities,"

- Premier Scott Moe





CIBC PRIVATE WEALTH



Ukraine/Russia Economic and Market Update

Exclusive virtual event: Wednesday, April 6, 2022

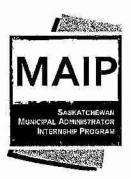
As we shift from pandemic to endemic, restrictions are lifting and the never-ending market volatility continues. Simultaneously, the Russian invasion of Ukraine is also causing more uncertainty. What impact will all of this have on the future of the economy, investments and your taxes?

Join CIBC experts on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. ET for a virtual event. Discover what Ben Tal, Ian de Verteuil and Jamie Golombek have to say about where the economy and markets are headed and the potential investment and tax implications for your portfolio.



Updates to the Rural Municipal Administrator Internship Program

Since 2011, the Rural Municipal Administrator Internship Program (Rural MAIP) has played an integral part in preparing over 80 people for a career in rural municipality administration. Like all successful programs, the Rural MAIP has been continuously improved since its inception. Most recently, a series of changes have been approved to make this program even more effective.



- Supervising Administrator Honorarium: The program recognizes the unique skill-set and significant time investment it takes to train an intern properly. In order to encourage talented supervising Administrators to take on interns, the program has begun to offer a \$3000 honorarium to be paid through the host RM to the supervising Administrator upon the successful completion of an internship.
- Increased Wages for Interns: The program has re-evaluated the required level of support needed by interns to succeed in a 52-week internship. For MAIP interns beginning after March 31, 2022, RMs must provide a minimum annual salary to the intern of \$42,000 to be eligible for the program. If the intern and host RM applications are accepted, the RM will receive \$17,000 in funding to subsidize the intern's salary over the course of the internship.
- Quality Assurance: The program has added new quality assurance measures
 to support a positive experience for both interns and supervising
 administrators. Supervising administrators will be required to have not only
 their Rural Class A Certificate of Qualification from the Rural Board of
 Examiners, but also at least five years of experience managing an RM office
 as a municipal administrator. In addition, more robust reporting and
 evaluation requirements have been developed to spur the continuous
 improvement of the program.

The Rural MAIP is an excellent opportunity for RMs to build succession plans, expand capacity, and contribute to the growth of sound governance in rural Saskatchewan.



For more information contact: Dustin Resch, Manager, Programs 306.761.3945 or *dresch@sarm.ca*



Upcoming Winter 2022 modules

The Municipal Leadership Development Program (MLDP) is a series of modules developed exclusively for elected and appointed municipal leaders in Saskatchewan. Mayors, reeves, councillors and municipal staff are able to benefit from this program that is designed to strengthen local government leadership.



Spaces are limited – register today!

Human Resources in the Municipal Workplace

Saturday, April 2 Virtual: 9AM – 4:30PM

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Public Relations & Communications

for Municipalities Saturday, April 2 Virtual: 9AM – 4PM

Municipal Economic Development Fundamentals

Saturday, April 2 Virtual: 9AM ~ 4PM

Strategic and Financial Planning for Municipalities

Saturday, April 2 Virtual: 9AM – 4PM

Community and Land Use Planning

Online

https://www.southeastcollege.org/courses/mldpcommunity-and-land-use-planning/

Note: Delivery method, location and/or dates are subject to change.

Municipal Essentials

Capacity Building for Elected Officials and Municipal Employees

- Attend workshops online (live) with others from around the province. Simply log in from your work computer or home office
- · Six hours of instruction per workshop
- Offered Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9:00am 12:00noon.
- Each workshop counts towards Municipal Essentials Level Achievement Certificates

Online Live Classes:

- Assertiveness and Self Confidence, June 14 & 15
- · Conflict Resolution & Dealing with People, July 5 & 6
- Office Politics, July 19 & 20
- Goal Setting & Getting Things Done, Aug 9 & 10





RESPONSIBILITIES TO ADDRESS SYSTEMIC RACISM









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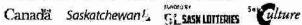
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PAPER DEPART











About the Forum:

About MCoS:

This forum is an opportunity to hear similar experiences from different individuals who come from different walks of life. This is an opportunity to become a part of the solution in taking steps towards inclusion in our day-to-day life. This is a chance to share your thoughts and concerns in the spirit of making a safer and better community.

The Multicultural Council of
Saskatchewan has been raising
awareness of the benefits of cultural
diversity since November 22, 1975.
MCoS became a provincial not-for-profit,
non-governmental agency that works to
ensure ethnocultural survival, strength
and prominence and foster
opportunities for cross-cultural
interaction.





Insurance & Benefits

Wellness EFAP Reminder

Homewood Health is an important partner of SARM. As our chosen service provider for the Employee Family Assistance Program (EFAP), Homewood Health can provide assistance to our members employees and their families on a vast variety of life topics from financial matters or relationship issues to health and wellness questions to career coaching or retirement planning, just to name a few. Homewood Health also offers a wide range of short one-hour to half day seminars on wide variety of personal and professional development topics. All of these resources are available at no charge to participating members and are only a call or click away at 1-800-663-1142 or homeweb.ca.

The Employee Family Assistance Program through Homewood Health is available to all RM employees who have Long Term Disability Benefits through SARM and all Elected and Appointed Officials whose RM's purchase group coverage for Elected and Appointed Officials through the SARM Benefits Plan.



Homewood Health





Trading Services



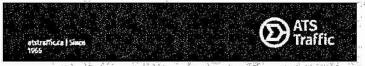
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Contact: Amanda Tonita 306-533-3473 atonita@atstraffic.ca



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ATS Traffic wants to help you prepare for the upcoming seasonal changes. Flooding is going to be inevitable due to all the snow we received this year across the province.





Special Offer for SARM Members



Current Tenders

Swimming Pool Renovation and Repair with Related Equipment, Supplies and Services – closing date is May 3, 2022 – RFP050322



New to SARM

Welcome Adryan Toth to SARM's Risk Management Group



Adryan Toth, Legal Counsel atoth@sarm.ca | 306.761.3738

The SARM board has approved Adryan's billing rate at \$265/hr.

Adryan comes to SARM from the Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority where he was involved in consumer protection, securities, and general litigation. Prior to that, he was with MLT Aikins LLP and the Court of Appeal for Saskatchewan.

Adryan received his post secondary education at the University of Saskatchewan, obtaining a Bachelor of Commerce, Juris Doctor, and Master of Laws. He brings a level of experience and drive that will be beneficial to SARM and the membership.

Adryan was raised, and currently resides, in Balgonie so he has an understanding of rural living, which will benefit the membership. Outside of work, Adryan enjoys staying active through indoor and beach volleyball, walking his dog Fiona, and getting out on his snowmobile.



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Our Webinars

SARM offers webinars for members. Not only can you participate in these live, but you can also have them as a resource to view again when it's convenient. Past topics have included:

- · Fire Bans and Emergency Preparedness
- Municipal Safety Manual
- Civic Addressing
- Municipal Leaders' Roles and Responsibilities
- Tendering and Procurement Best Practices
- Mental Wellness in Agriculture Fostering Resiliency
- · Nuclear Power in Saskatchewan
- Principles for Positive Employment Relations
- And more



Future Topics

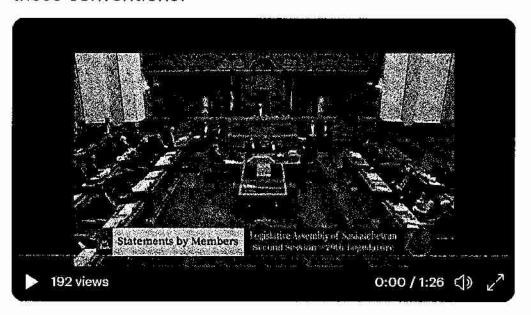
Let us know what you would like to hear about in 2022!

Please complete our short survey to provide your input on a variety of potential webinar topics.

#RuralMatters



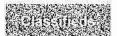
This week was the 2022 @SARM_Voice annual convention. #SARM was formed to ensure that both Provincial and Federal Government hear the voices of RMs. I was honoured to rise in the house tusday and speak about all the hard work that goes into organizing these conventions!





Thank you to Travis Keisig, MLA for Last Mountain - Touchwood Constituency, for rising in the house to recognizing the input of the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities and for the appreciation of #SARMAnnual2022.

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