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## Latest News

### AMM Executive met with Minister Stefanson



April 4, 2019 - AMM President Ralph Groening and Vice President Brad Saluk met with Honourable Heather Stefanson, Minister of Families. Click [here](#) for the position paper that was presented

### Province Streamlines Community Development Programs

The Manitoba government has launched a new [Building Sustainable Communities Program](#) that will streamline and modernize grant support to non-profit organizations, Municipal Relations Minister Jeff Wharton announced April 4, 2019.

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### Stay Connected

"Our government recognizes the importance of community development initiatives and supporting non-profit organizations," said Wharton. "This new program will support a broader range of community-led projects and deliver on our mandate to renew community development programs to best serve the needs of Manitobans."

"The Association of Manitoba Municipalities is pleased to partner with the province in assessing the applications and making recommendations on the Building Sustainable Communities Program," said Ralph Groening, president, AMM. "These projects are essential in promoting economic development and sustainability throughout our province."

The new program will have two intakes per year at set times, providing predictable support and positive outcomes in communities. Successful applications will need to demonstrate how their projects provide an overall positive benefit for their community and partnerships are encouraged.

Intake for the program opens today and **application deadline is May 22**. For more information, or to submit an application, visit [www.manitobago.ca](http://www.manitobago.ca).

## 2019 Federal Budget released to Canadians



The Government of Canada presented the 2019 Federal Budget on March 20th.

[2019 Federal Budget](#)

In response, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) issued the following statement, noting additional investments in broadband Internet and the expansion of the Gas Tax Fund.

[FCM press release - 2019 Federal Budget](#)

## Free Training Workshops - The Accessibility for Manitobans Act, Organizational Requirements of the Customer Service Standard

[The Accessibility for Manitobans Act \(AMA\) and The Accessibility Standard for Customer Service.](#)

This 2-hour training session will help private and public sector organizations comply with the AMA. Admission is free; registration is required.

The AMA became law in 2013 with a goal to identify, prevent and remove barriers encountered by people with disabilities. The legislation calls for the development of standards to ensure



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## 2019 AMM Resolutions submissions due to the AMM Office - June 1, 2019

[How to Write a Resolution](#)

[Process for June District Meeting Resolutions](#)

## Municipal Officials Seminar PowerPoint presentations

Here are the PowerPoint presentations received from presenters.

**Tuesday March 19, 2019** Breakout Sessions  
[Administration vs. Governance: HR Perspective](#)

**Wednesday March 20, 2019**  
Breakout sessions  
[Speed Limit in Municipalities](#)  
[Economic Development in Your Community](#)  
[Community Edge Program](#)  
[Public School Finance in Manitoba](#)

## Once Elected.....What's Expected Newly Elected Seminars

Click on the links below for each of the presentations

[Municipal Relations](#)

[Manitoba Ombudsman](#)

[Manitoba Fire Commissioner](#)

[Manitoba Sustainable Development](#)

[Manitoba Growth, Enterprise and Trade](#)

**2019 Council Member's Guide** - This guide provides newly-elected municipal officials an overview of what they can expect to encounter during their term of office.

accessibility in important areas of everyday life, such as customer service, employment and transportation. The province first developed its customer service standard, which was phased-in to apply to government and public sector organizations first. It came into effect Nov. 1, 2018, for businesses, non-profits and small municipalities.

The Accessibility for Manitobans Act review is available at <http://accessibilitymb.ca/ama-review.html>

For more information about the Disabilities Issues Office and the AMA, visit [www.accessibilitymb.ca](http://www.accessibilitymb.ca)

### 2019 TransCanada Scholarship Program

Could you or someone you know use some help with post-secondary education expenses? The TransCanada Scholarship program is offering more than 250 scholarships across Canada in values of \$2,500, \$5,000 and up to \$10,000!

**Applications are now open and students have until May 17, 2019 at 11:59:59 p.m. EST to submit their applications.**

Students can visit Our Website now and answer five quick questions to see if they pre-qualify!

A few important things to remember:

1. If selected, students will need to provide proof of home address and proof of enrollment in a registered educational institution to receive a scholarship.
2. Students must make sure to provide a working phone number and email address in their application, or we won't be able to contact them if they are selected.
3. Applications cannot be saved to work on later, but it only takes 20 minutes to complete it.
4. Our pre-qualification forms are available in Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. Please make sure you're on the correct country page when applying by clicking the flag toggles on the top, right-hand-side of [TCScholarships.com](http://TCScholarships.com)

### EDAM Spring Forum 2019

From May 8th to 10th, 2019, the Economic Developers Association of Manitoba (EDAM) will be hosting the [EDAM Spring Forum](#) in Winnipeg at the Hilton Garden Inn, Sterling Lyon Parkway, please see attached.

Our schedule includes professional development training, seminars, speaker panel sessions and greetings from the Honourable Minister Pedersen of the Province of Manitoba - Growth, Enterprise, and Trade. Topics such as the Regional Economic Development Strategy with its listing partners, Tax Increment Financing, Regional Growth



Purchasing from the Trading Company has allowed Manitoba municipalities not only the opportunity for best pricing but also has afforded each with individual **rebates annually for 14 years at a value of \$11,350,000.00.**

Often the rebates municipalities receive are higher than the membership fee you pay to the AMM. The more programs you use the more money you save and the bigger rebate you receive.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact

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Indicators and Urban and Rural Entrepreneurship will be covered. Guided site tours of the Red River College's Smart Factory and the North Forge Fab Lab are also part of the program.

Our attendee list is expected to be over 60 participants from Saskatchewan, Ontario and all corners of Manitoba represented. The Forum will include 12 different speakers over the three days, complimented with an evening reception at Trans Canada Brewing Company.

To help us promote this event, we would appreciate if you could add our Forum to your Events page on your AMM website.

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CAO's FIRE PROTECTION WORKSHOP: An Introduction to the Fire Service**

The Manitoba Emergency Services College is offering one of the three scheduled workshops for Elected Officials and CAO's: April 25, May 14, or June 11.

[The Fire Protection Workshop is an introductory one-day course](#) (5 hours) designed to provide Elected Officials, Chief Administrative Officers and other senior RM personnel with a more comprehensive understanding about the scope, roles and needs facing their local fire service.

- The seminar portion of the program will provide information about legislation, requirements on structure and operations, along with the administration and organization of emergency services. The format will be presentations and discussion.
- The practical portion of the program will involve showing and using equipment, operating apparatus, and simulated firefighting scenarios.

Please contact the Manitoba Emergency Services College at [mescocr@gov.mb.ca](mailto:mescocr@gov.mb.ca) or (204) 726-6855 to register.

Spaces may be limited so be sure to register well in advance.

### **Manitoba Guide to Service Levels : Fire Fighting**



The purpose of this document is to assist local authorities in establishing departmental Service Levels for Fire Fighting and a competency-based ladder that lays out the training for firefighters. This document will assist fire departments in meeting the operational requirements they have determined appropriate based on their provision of fire services.

This document establishes a program guide under which a local authority may conduct a self-assessment of the service area, ensure

### **2019 AMM renewal information for AMM Members and Retirees**

[2019 Employee Benefits AMM Renewal - Employer](#)

[2019 Employee Benefits AMM Renewal - Retirees](#)

### **HR@YourService**

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Is your municipality in a growth or change phase? Has it been challenging for employees?

People First HR's Edna Wollf explains how to use Engagement surveys and climate assessments to guide organizational culture change in an 'Ask the Expert' article linked [HERE](#) for AMM members.

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AMM Education coming up in May  
**Managing the Employment Relationship - HR Fundamentals for Leaders**  
[May 9 - Winnipeg](#)  
[May 10 - Brandon](#)  
Registration opens April 1st

### **Spring Safety Training for your Municipality**

Don't forget that SafetyHub has been purchased for two more years and is available to all AMM Municipalities.

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the fire department is ready for Structural Fire Fighting response, and has information regarding its emergency response resources.

[Manitoba Guide to Service Levels - Cover Letter](#)  
[Manitoba Guide to Service Levels - Fire Fighting](#)

### **FleetNet Replacement Project**

Manitoba has entered into a publicly tendered agreement with Bell Mobility Inc. (Bell) for a new Public Safety Communications Service (PSCS). The PSCS will provide a modern mobile radio service for public safety and public service organizations in Manitoba, and will replace the Very High Frequency radio network used by Manitoba Sustainable Development.

Over 99% of Manitobans live in the areas that will be covered by the PSCS. Engineered to be highly reliable, the PSCS is based on modern communications standards and will be built with modern infrastructure and equipment. Implementation of the PSCS infrastructure, and transition of public safety and public service users to the new service, will take up to three years (i.e., from fiscal year 2018/19 to 2020/2021). It is anticipated that municipalities will start transitioning to the PSCS beginning in 2020.

Further information about the FleetNet Replacement Project can be found on the [Vehicle and Equipment Management Agency \(VEMA\) - Radio Services website](#)

The website will be utilized as an information depository for the FleetNet Replacement Project. Questions regarding existing radio compatibility and purchasing new radio equipment can be directed to [PSCSSupport@bellmts.ca](mailto:PSCSSupport@bellmts.ca).

### **Natural Resources Canada Electric Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Deployment Initiative**

The Electric Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Deployment Initiative (the Program) offers repayable contributions to support the construction of an electric vehicle (EV) fast charging, coast-to-coast, network. For EV fast chargers, the Program will pay up to 50% of the total project costs to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per charging unit. Municipalities are eligible applicants.

Application deadline: May 16, 2019

[More information](#)

### **Manitoba Communities in Bloom 2019**

We invite your community to participate in a program that encourages all sectors of the community to work together to achieve clean, green, sustainable communities that celebrate their heritage. Annual participation will assist in mobilizing citizens, businesses and your municipality through valuable feedback from Manitoba

Communities in Bloom (CiB) judges and information exchange with other communities.

Follow the link [2019 MB CIB Registration Form](#) which features the registration details for the 2019 program. Following last years' terrific response to our new [Showcase Project Photo & Essay category](#), we have included this opportunity once again in this years' program!

Registration is also available on our [website](#).

**Registration deadline is April 30th.**

For additional information on the MB CIB program, please review the link to the [Community Participation Manual](#).

This year's CiB Provincial Conference and Awards Ceremony will be hosted by the City of Morden, September 6 & 7. Mark your calendars now!

We look forward to your community's participation in 2019!

Please feel free to contact [Cathy Shaluk](#), Program Coordinator, Manitoba Communities in Bloom if you have any questions.

## Trading Company

**To Municipal Staff, Council, Departments;**

Please be advised that the official name of the **Municipalities Trading Company of Manitoba Ltd. (MTCML)** has been legally changed to:

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**2019 Supreme Basics Custom Envelope Price list**

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