



## News Bulletin

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October 13, 2023

Dear Subscriber,

We hope you enjoy this copy of the AMM News Bulletin. Click [HERE](#) to download a PDF version.

### LATEST UPDATES

*Let's Grow Manitoba Together!*

#### 01 FUNDING FAIRNESS & PREDICTABILITY

##### Government needs to:

- ▶ Work with municipalities to establish a simplified, **predictable funding model** with an annual escalator
- ▶ **Rebate the PST** paid by municipalities, similarly to the federal GST rebate. It's not fair for one level of government to tax another for providing service to residents
- ▶ Streamline existing tax tools; grant greater tax flexibility and autonomy to municipalities

#### 02 INVEST IN CORE INFRASTRUCTURE

##### Government needs to:

- ▶ Increase Manitoba Water Services Board **funding for water and wastewater infrastructure**, and commit to advocate for a permanent federal and provincial infrastructure fund
- ▶ Amend Bill 37 to enshrine the primacy of elected municipal councils over the unelected Municipal Board
- ▶ Improve coordination between economic development offices and agencies for **efficiencies, synergies and responsiveness** to municipal economic development needs
- ▶ Commit to comprehensive rural broadband and cell service – essential infrastructure for **economic growth, public safety, education, and health care**

#### 03 INVEST IN PEOPLE

##### Government needs to:

- ▶ Accelerate a comprehensive provincial strategy to **recruit health care professionals and paramedics throughout Manitoba**
- ▶ Implement recommendations from the Immigration Advisory Council to increase regional settlement incentives for foreign-trained doctors and other professionals
- ▶ Implement training opportunities for licensed professionals closer to home, and keep government services locally in our communities
- ▶ **Care closer to home** – a plan to keep paramedics, doctors and other health professionals working in all our regions

#### 04 PUBLIC SAFETY

##### Government needs to:

- ▶ Press the federal government for bail and conditional release reform to be tougher on repeat offenders, while also prioritizing social spending on crime reducing programs
- ▶ Refuse downloading of policing reform costs (RCMP collective bargaining, body cameras, etc.)
- ▶ Expedite the provincial policing review to provide **predictability** on local police resourcing, and **flexibility** to move some enforcement and social service functions from RCMP to other funded authorities (transit, mental health, etc.)
- ▶ Increase funding for policing to combat rising rates of crime and drug trafficking
- ▶ Expand municipal Community Safety and Well-Being plans



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: [AMM.MB.CA/ELECTION-2023](http://AMM.MB.CA/ELECTION-2023)

*Let's Grow Manitoba Together!*

**AMM Congratulates Premier-Designate Wab Kinew, Pledges**



October 10, 2023 – Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) President Kam Blight met with Premier-Designate Wab Kinew to extend congratulations on behalf of the AMM and its member municipalities following the Manitoba NDP's electoral victory.

Click [HERE](#) for the full AMM News Release.

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### **2023 AMM Fall Convention** **Honouring Yesterday, Treasuring Today, Shaping Tomorrow** ***Celebrating 25 Years of Municipal Excellence***



Excitement is building for AMM's 25th Annual Fall Convention, November 28 to 30 in Brandon.

Convention programming begins at 9:30 am on Tuesday, November 28 and included on that morning's agenda is [Doug Griffiths](#) of 13 Ways, with his presentation The Change is the Way.

One Day Only! November 28 - AMM Trade Show. Over 100 exhibitors in 3 display rooms are eager to meet you!

Visit the [2023 AMM Fall Convention webpage](#) for details, developing agenda and to register.

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*Dr. Sandeep Agrawal. PhD, AICP, MCIP, RPP,  
Author, Professor & Director, School of Urban  
and Regional Planning; Associate Chair,  
Earth & Atmospheric Sciences – University of  
Alberta*

**Now more than ever we need to protect  
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and

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## AMM EVENTS

### 2023 AMM Fall Convention

#### *Honouring Yesterday, Treasuring Today, Shaping Tomorrow*

Plan to attend the 2023 Annual Fall Convention, November 28 to 30 as we celebrate 25 years of Municipal Excellence

Visit the [2023 AMM Fall Convention webpage](#) for details, developing agenda and to register.

## Cybersecurity Audit Service



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Cybersecurity is increasingly important, and the cost/impact of a cybersecurity incident continues to rise. A cybersecurity assessment allows organizations to identify areas where they are weakest, and provides a clear roadmap to addressing the risks and gaps that could be exploited and cause a significant issue.

AMM has negotiated an agreement with [Bloom Software Co.](#) to offer cybersecurity audits to AMM municipal members.

Bloom's assessment model addresses the key areas that are of greatest concern, discusses and defines them in plain language, and provides organizations the ability to make informed decisions about their own priorities to set an implementation plan.

- [Click here to learn how your municipality can benefit.](#)
- [Click here to view the Cybersecurity Audit Service webinar presentation for AMM members.](#)

Visit [AMM Cyber Security Audit webpage](#) for more info.

## Insurance Program



# togetherall

[TogetherAll](#) – a mental health platform for all AMM members.

Western Financial Group in partnership with the AMM are proud to provide access through to the TogetherAll platform – a powerful mental health support resource for all members, **premium free**.

[TogetherAll](#) is an online mental health platform and provides access to community and professional support 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The service is proven to help those who are struggling with stress, isolation, anxiety, and other common mental health issues.

Click the link below to learn more about this valuable resource and to register yourself and your employees: [www.togetherall.com](http://www.togetherall.com)

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SUMMER 2023



The AMM is gearing up for the provincial election. Our Summer issue recaps our Provincial Leaders' Forum along with the official launch of our [Let's Grow Manitoba](#)

[Together](#) campaign!

The issue also includes a Special Report on Asset Management as well as submissions from the Manitoba Métis Federation (MMF), Manitoba Municipal Relations, and Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure.

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