



## News Bulletin

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August 3, 2017

Dear Subscriber,

We hope you enjoy this edition of the AMM News Bulletin. A [PDF version](#) of the bulletin is available on our website.

## Latest News

### 2017 Municipal Road Improvement Program Projects



L to R: Indigenous and Municipal Relations Minister Eileen Clarke, Reeve Jim Campbell, RM of Rockwood, and President Chris Goertzen (at podium).

On July 25, President Chris Goertzen joined Indigenous and Municipal Relations Minister Eileen Clarke, along with Reeve Jim Campbell, RM of Rockwood, to announce the Manitoba government is investing \$12 million for municipal roads.

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Mark your calendars  
for these  
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

***Due to overwhelming response, a second workshop has been added!***

**Maximum registration has been reached for the October 6 AMM Education Workshop "Municipal Officials, Ethics & Conflict of Interest".**

**A repeat workshop has been added on October 13.**

## Care Package for Churchill



L to R: Councillor Shane Hutchins, Councillor Bill Dingwall, Vice-President Gavin van der Linde, Northern District Director Penny Byer, Mayor Mike Spence, President Chris Goertzen, Vice-President Ralph Groening, Executive Director Joe Masi, and Manitoba Chamber of Commerce President Chuck Davidson

Each year, the AMM Executive makes a trip to northern Manitoba for municipal visits. This year's trip included some extra baggage, however - a care package courtesy of Winnipeg Harvest.

The package, consisting of frozen food and diapers, was delivered to Churchill's food bank to help those who are most in need after the closure of the only rail line into the northern Manitoba town.

Manitoba Chamber of Commerce president Chuck Davidson, who accompanied the AMM to Churchill and who organized the donation, encouraged others to do the same.

"If there are any other organizations that are going up...if you can pack light and throw [an aid] box together...it would be greatly appreciated," Davidson said.

## EMS Facility Closures Update



The AMM met recently with Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living and received a technical briefing regarding the EMS facility closures announced on June 29.

The AMM requested the department to meet directly with affected communities. Departmental officials committed to meeting with individual councils and scheduling an EMS operational overview and GeoPosting demonstration at the Medical Transportation Coordination Centre (MTCC) in Brandon (dates TBA).

To schedule an appointment regarding your municipality's EMS facility closure, and to register for the presentation in Brandon, please email [Alysia.Lawson@leg.gov.mb.ca](mailto:Alysia.Lawson@leg.gov.mb.ca).

[Download a flyer about the workshop here.](#)

### WORKSHOP DETAILS:

Friday, October 13, 2017  
9:00 am to 3:30 pm  
Clarion Inn & Suites,  
1445 Portage Avenue  
Winnipeg

\$135.00 plus GST per registrant  
(includes lunch and workbook)

[REGISTER ONLINE HERE](#)

**REGISTRATION IS LIMITED!**  
*Pre-registration is recommended.*



**TRAINER:** Barbara Bowes, FCHRP, CMC, M.Ed., President Legacy Bowes Group

**Manager of Landfill Operations (MOLO)**

**Winnipeg**

**Course Dates: October 3 - 5, 2017**

**Exam Date: October 6, 2017**  
**Location: Best Western Plus, Winnipeg**

**Landfill Operations Basics (LOB)**

**Thompson**

**Course Dates: September 20 - 21, 2017**

**Exam Date: September 22, 2017**  
**Location: Best Western Hotels & Suites, Thompson**

**Winnipeg**

**Course Dates: November 1 - 2, 2017**

**Exam Date: November 3, 2017**

The AMM will continue to monitor these changes and communicate any concerns with the Province of Manitoba.

### **First Installment of Federal Gas Tax Fund Delivered to Manitoba**

In July, the Government of Canada delivered the first of two annual \$34.3-million federal Gas Tax Fund (GTF) installments to Manitoba. In total, the province will be provided with over \$68.7 million this year through the fund. The funding, which flows through the provincial government to all of its municipalities, is now available to support community infrastructure projects.

Based on previous years, the GTF supports approximately 90 local infrastructure projects across Manitoba each year.

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The two Gas Tax Fund installments for this year are in addition to funds flowing to Manitoba under the [Investing in Canada plan](#).

## **Notices**

### **Make infrastructure count! Statistics Canada survey out now**

[Canada's Core Public Infrastructure \(CCPI\) survey](#) is an opportunity to ensure that the public assets in your community are included in the national picture of Canada's infrastructure. It will give all of us comprehensive, objective, comparable data on the current state and performance of Canada's core public assets.

Participation is mandatory. The survey collection period is open from **July 24 to November 30, 2017**. If you encounter any difficulties, you can contact [Statistics Canada](#) for assistance.

### **Public Safety Canada: Is your community flood ready?**

The National Disaster Mitigation Program (NDMP) funds risk assessments, flood mapping and mitigation projects.

Communities and municipalities should contact their appropriate provincial/territorial government contact to discuss the NDMP application process. The deadline for proposals for 2018-2019 funding is **October 31, 2017**.

Learn more, and find tips for your community at [Canada.ca/flood-ready](http://Canada.ca/flood-ready).

## **M.T.C.M.L.**

**Location: Best Western Plus,  
Winnipeg**

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for a course and exam, please  
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