



## News Bulletin

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January 22, 2021

**Dear Subscriber,**

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

### LATEST UPDATES

#### **85% of Municipalities Financially Impacted by Code Red Restrictions, More Support Needed**



As many municipalities are in the midst of planning their 2021 budgets, we continue to recognize the urgency of ensuring municipalities are equipped to continue delivering critical services during and after this pandemic.

For this reason, the AMM administered a survey between December 2020 and January 2021 to all 137 municipalities to gather information on the impacts of the Safe Restart Agreement, Code Red restrictions, and other financial pressures experienced by municipalities. The goal of the survey is to provide guidance to the provincial and federal governments as they contemplate additional financial assistance to municipalities.

[Presentation summary of the survey's responses.](#)

## AMM Kicks-off 2021 Municipal Visits



*Left column: Central District Director Nancy Penner, Vice-President Brad Saluk, President Kam Blight  
Right column: Executive Director Denys Volkov, Vice-President Chris Ewen, Central District Director  
Morris Olafson*

On January 13-14, 2021, while following provincial public health guidelines, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) kicked-off its annual round of municipal visits this week by meeting virtually with several municipalities in the Central District. The AMM makes it a priority to meet one-on-one with each of its member municipalities at least once during each four-year election cycle.

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

## AMM Wraps-Up Midwestern District Visits



*Top row: Midwestern District Director Merv Starzyk, Executive Director Denys Volkov, President Kam Blight.  
Bottom row: Vice-President Brad Saluk, Midwestern District Director Murray Parrott, Vice-President Chris Ewen.*

On January 18-20, 2021, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) met virtually with a number of municipalities in the Midwestern District.

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

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## Building Sustainable Communities Grants

The Building Sustainable Communities Program grant application intake is now open to support community development projects. The program continues to protect and enhance community services.

Deadline for applications: **February 28, 2021**

[READ MORE.](#)

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## 2021 Urban and Hometown Green Team Grants

Urban and Hometown Green Team grant applications are now available for organizations to hire youth between the ages of 15 and 29 for summer jobs in Manitoba.

Deadline for applications: **February 15, 2021**

[READ MORE.](#)

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## Asset Management Grants for Municipalities

Ready to take your municipality's asset management planning to the next level? Find out how to apply for funding from FCM's Municipal Asset Management Program.

**This call for applications will close when the funding has been allocated.**

[LEARN MORE.](#)

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## 2021 Farmland Beaver Damage Control Funding

CAP Ag Action Manitoba is now accepting applications to the Farmland Beaver Damage Control program from **January 21, 2021 to February 19, 2021**.

CAP Ag Action Manitoba will fund **50%** of the cost of the installation of pond levellers to a maximum of **\$200/leveller** and will fund **up to 50%** of the expense of beaver removal to a maximum of **\$15/beaver**.

Click [HERE](#) for more information on how to apply.

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## Lake Winnipeg Basin Program - Call for Letters of Intent 2021/2022

Environment and Climate Change Canada's (ECCC) Lake Winnipeg Basin Program (LWBP) provides funding for targeted, outcome-focused actions that address at least one of the following LWBP priorities:

1. Nutrient Reduction
2. Collaborative Governance
3. Indigenous Engagement

[Letter of Intent Application Guide](#)

Submission Deadline: **February 5, 2021**

## COVID Funding for Homelessness Initiatives

The Government of Canada provided the Reaching Home Homelessness Strategy with additional funding to support people experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 outbreak. This funding is allocated to the fiscal year ending March 31, 2021. After the initial Call for Proposals in October 2020, there is a remaining balance of funds available for allocation.

[Read More](#)

[Information Package](#)  
[Capital Proposal Form](#)  
[Funding Application](#)

Deadline: Call for Proposals will remain open until all funding is exhausted; all funding must be used by **March 31st, 2021**.

Questions may be directed to Laura Wallis: [HomelessnessMB@BNRC.ca](mailto:HomelessnessMB@BNRC.ca)

## 2021 Bell Let's Talk Community Fund



The \$2 million annual program supports registered charities working to improve access to mental health care at the local level in communities throughout Canada. Deadline for applications: **March 15, 2021**.

Click [HERE](#) for more information on how to apply.

## Monitoring Food Promotions in Canadian Recreation Facilities

You are invited to fill out an online survey on food promotion in recreation in Canada. The survey will explore the type, extent, source, and value of food promotion in your recreation facility.

[Facility Eligibility Survey](#)  
[Facility Information Letter](#)

Contact Rachel Prowse at [rachel.prowse@oahpp.ca](mailto:rachel.prowse@oahpp.ca) or 647-260-7758 for questions or concerns regarding survey.



### MB Building Code Courses Winter & Spring 2021

[Course Schedule](#)  
[Registration Form](#)

Email questions and completed registration forms to [techsolutions@rrc.ca](mailto:techsolutions@rrc.ca)

## AMM Education Program - *New Webinar!*

*Another date has been added!*

**February 4, 2021 – 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**

### **To the Finish Line...and Beyond: *Setting Realistic Priorities***

Interactive webinar led by Gord McIntosh

When everything is a priority – you have none; when they are vague – they are useful; and when they are not actionable – they are useless. Now is the time to determine what your workplace or organization will complete, work on and/or initiate during the balance of this term. This highly, interactive session will engage elected officials and staff in a step-by-step priority setting process for 'real time' matters facing participants. Learn how to unpack a strategic topic, apply a reality check, assess urgency and assign political and/or administrative responsibility to establish NOW priorities and NEXT/LATER directions. You have a tool kit to apply in your workplace or organization to not only set realistic priorities but sustain strategic attention to implementation and adaptation to changing needs.

Upon completion of the program, you will enhance your capacity to:

- Design and implement strategic priority setting steps
- Facilitate development of creative strategic options
- Set realistic priorities using rigorous criteria
- Sustain organization attention to strategic implementation
- Enhance personal strategic leadership competencies

[Click HERE to Register for the February 4 Webinar](#)

***A minimum of 25 registrants MUST BE MET for this webinar to proceed.***

Registration transfers will be accommodated. Cancellations will not be accepted.

Fee: \$100 plus GST per person. AMM will invoice following this event.

*The January 28<sup>th</sup> session has sold-out.*

## AMM Trading Company - *New Webinar!*

### **ATS Traffic webinar**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2021 10:00 am**

AMM Trading Company partnered with ATS Traffic to ensure safety and success of all your projects. ATS is committed to Building Safer Communities and offers preferred membership pricing for solar crosswalks, speed boards, lighting, signage and rental items. Participate in this educational webinar to learn more about their online ordering system, strategic planning services and how through consultation, education, collaboration and communications they can ensure safety for all communities.

[Click HERE to register for the February 2 Webinar](#)

Visit the [YOUR Trading Company webpage](#) on the AMM website for more information about the many products and services available through the Trading Company

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### **TRADE COMPLIANCE**

[Check out this link on 'How and Why to be Trade Compliant'](#)

[How to post Notice of Procurement on Merx?](#)

## **Human Resource Program**

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HRoncall@poplefirsthr.com

"ASK the EXPERT"  
January 2021

[How to Deal with a COVID-19  
Related Work Refusal](#)

## IMPORTANT LINKS

### Municipal Leader Winter 2021



This Winter issue features a welcome message from our new AMM President Kam Blight, COVID-19 update, and a Special Report on Toward Gender Parity.

Explore this issue by learning more about successful parity initiatives taking place across Manitoba (City of Winkler) and Canada (FCM) as well as an important update authored by Rochelle Squires regarding the new Code of Conduct framework that came into force on November 1, 2020.

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