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Just announced: 58 communities receive climate change staff grants

Fifty-eight municipalities across Canada are receiving \$6.4 million in funding to support salaries for staff taking action on climate change and resilience.

These grants, delivered by FCM's Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program (MCIP) and funded by the Government of Canada, help communities address staffing gaps and produce lasting improvements in their operations related to climate change.

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Enrol in online asset management training

Are you interested in learning more about asset management and developing practical

experience?

Sign up for an online 10-week course in asset management that is designed for Canadian municipal staff. You'll discover asset management best practices and how to use your municipality's asset data to create an asset management plan. You'll also earn a professional certification upon course completion. Enrol by April 30, 2019.

This training opportunity is offered by NAMS Canada, one of FCM's Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP) partner organizations.

Webinar: New online tool for municipalities to assess clean energy projects

Register for our *Introduction to RETScreen Expert for municipalities* webinar to learn more about how this software can empower professionals and decision-makers to rapidly identify, assess and optimize clean energy projects. FCM and CanmetENERGY Varennes (Natural Resources Canada) will showcase how municipalities can use this software to:

- Track energy performance of their facilities
- Identify opportunities for energy and cost savings
- Assess the technical and financial viability of clean energy projects

Want to attend? Register here:

- English webinar (March 6, 1:00 p.m. ET)
- French webinar (March 6, 10:30 a.m. ET)

*Municipal staff can obtain a **free one-year subscription to RETScreen Expert** (offer valid until **March 31, 2019**).*



GMF funding and networking supported Canada's most efficient fire hall

When it came time to build a new fire hall, the Town of Qualicum Beach, BC, incorporated innovative green technologies. The building – Canada's most energy efficient fire hall – is expected to consume 72 per cent less energy than a standard fire hall, and generate significant cost savings over its lifetime.

FCM's Green Municipal Fund provided funding for the project, and put the town in touch with peers in the City of Gatineau, QC, to learn from their experiences with a similar project.

Does your municipality need funding for an innovative sustainability project?

Apply for funding today.

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