



Important Invitation to all Local Governments

To: Mayors, Chairs, and Administrators

From: Local Government Program Services, UBCM

Date: April 18, 2008

**RE: BUILT ENVIRONMENT & ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMUNITY
PLANNING GRANTS – PHASE 1**

The Union of BC Municipalities is working with the BC Recreation & Parks Association (BCRPA) to manage the community planning grant portion of the Built Environment & Active Transportation Initiative. Phase 1 of this program is now available to assist local governments to develop new plans or amend existing plans for active transportation infrastructure.

Phase 1 of the program is now accepting applications and will provide up to 10 grants, to a maximum of \$25,000 each. Activities funded under Phase 1 must be ready to commence by July 15, 2008 and all project activities must be completed by December 31st, 2008.

There is a two-stage application process for this grant. The first stage is an Expression of Interest and consists of an informal proposal to determine the basic suitability of the proposed project. The second stage is the submission of the Application Form that will be solicited on receipt of an approved Expression of Interest.

The deadline for Expressions of Interest is May 16, 2008.

To request an application package, or for more information, contact Danyta Welch at UBCM at (250) 356-5134 or dwelch@civicnet.bc.ca or visit www.civicnet.bc.ca (under Programs & Services' – 'Local Government Program Services' – 'Active Transportation).

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