

Municipal Collaboration for Sustainable Procurement

Canada's Leading Sustainable Purchasing Learning Network
for Municipalities & Post-Secondary Institutions

Overview

Is your organization looking to optimize the strategic value of your procurement? The MCSP provides a peer-based forum to share information, resources, technical expertise and best practices in **sustainable procurement** and other key supply chain topics in the public and higher education sectors.

Since 2010, the MCSP has been the leading forum for local governments and educational institutions to collaborate on sustainable purchasing. The MCSP is a member-based network of over 20 Canadian municipalities, colleges, and universities working together to deliver better services and achieve better value through green, social, and ethical purchasing.

Join us to build a better business case that will generate support for your program, learn about how sustainability fits into vendor performance management, increase your national exposure around sustainability and civic leadership, and discover how to effectively leverage procurement to achieve a variety of strategic goals.

Benefits

MCSP participants, including Directors of Supply Management, Purchasing Managers, Buyers, Senior Environment/Sustainability Managers, and end users, will:

- Have interactive discussions with procurement and sustainability leaders from Canada and beyond.
- Save time by accessing web-based learning and training courses, worksheets, tools, and resources.
- Collaborate, co-create, and share information for efficient and continuous improvement.
- Understand how purchasers are defining sustainability within RFPs and tenders.
- Learn how buyers and end-users can easily ask for, and evaluate, sustainability information.
- Learn about the new wave of social purchasing and Living Wage initiatives sweeping across Canada.
- Obtain access to online courses for buyers, clients, Pcard holders and other internal staff, as well as accessing professional development credits for purchasing staff (CDP for SCMA).

2017 Program & Deliverables Package

• **Strategy, Best Practice & Training Webinars**

Invite your team to join you and other sustainable procurement experts in interactive sessions covering a range of supply chain and procurement issues. MCSP offers five one-hour interactive training and information webinars, showcasing best-in-class innovations, enabling your organization to quickly launch or further advance your program. Discussion topics include:

- **The Legal Environment for Sustainable Purchasing**, including navigating trade agreements and verifying vendor compliance
- **Chief Purchasing Officer Panel** on positioning sustainable sourcing with your organization's strategic priorities
- **Program- or commodity-focused discussions** (e.g., approaches to change management, supplier engagement, or construction materials, vehicles, food services, etc.)

"Creating one RFP or Tender template using MCSP resources is worth more than the cost of a year's membership. Joining is an easy decision"
– Barry Hofstetter,
City of Calgary

• **Practice-Based Working Groups**

Lift the burden of creating tools from scratch, and leverage the opportunity to borrow, adapt, and co-create resources. Members are invited to participate in two focused Working Groups, in which interested members partake in 4-6 calls to share knowledge and co-create a final deliverable.

2017 Working Group topics include:

- **Supplier Sustainability Leadership Questionnaire**, a tool to collect information and evaluate suppliers on their corporate sustainability practices during bid evaluation or on-going engagement.
- **TBD by the membership**, with possible topics including: a harmonized Supplier Code of Conduct, Social Procurement or Living Wage, developing specifications for a particular commodity or service, creating a change management and sustainable purchasing training plan.



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- **Online Resource Centre**
Members can access www.MCSPgroup.com, an exclusive online resource centre that includes product specifications, a resource library, and courses on sustainable procurement topics.
- **Customized Individual Action Planning Sessions**
Members are eligible to receive up to four hours of one-on-one phone coaching or other project consultation to assist in creating a sustainable purchasing action plans or green research.

Fees

Members pay annual fees to receive the benefits described above, as follows:

Colleges, universities and hospitals	\$2,000
Municipalities (population up to 200,000)	\$2,000
Municipalities (population over 200,000)	\$4,000

MCSP Participants (2010-2016)

BCIT	City of Guelph	City of Vancouver	City of Red Deer
UBC	City of Kelowna	City of Victoria	City of Prince George
University of Alberta	City of Ottawa	City of Whitehorse	City of London
City of Calgary	City of Richmond	City of Winnipeg	Region of Peel
City of Edmonton	City of Saskatoon	District of Saanich	Town of Olds
City of Fredericton	City of Surrey	Halifax Regional Municipality	
City of Grande Prairie	City of Toronto		

Program Management

The MCSP Steering Committee is comprised of volunteers from member organizations who meet six times per year to approve the work plan and budget, manage a contracted program manager, review project evaluations, and set annual participation rates.

To speak to a MCSP Steering Committee member about joining the MCSP, contact:

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