

# BUYING THE FUTURE WE REALLY WANT

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Municipal Collaboration for  
Sustainable Procurement

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# What is the MCSP?

A network of Canadian public sector post-secondary and government institutions collaborating to effectively implement sustainable purchasing programs and to accelerate the adoption of best practices to scale up impacts.

# Sustainable Purchasing

Environmentally  
Preferable / Green  
Purchasing



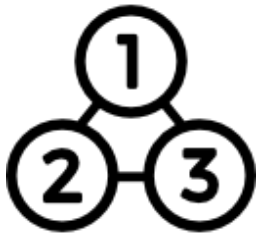
Ethical Purchasing;  
Fair Labour Standards



Socially  
Responsible;  
Local Suppliers



# Member Profile



- Procurement seen as strategic; not transactional
- Procurement linked to highest goals of the organization
- There is a Sustainability Mandate for the organization
- Environment team willing to partner with procurement
- Organization wants to deepen impact

# Who Participates?

## Wide participation:

- Procurement staff
- Sustainability/Environment leaders
- End Users and Subject Matter Experts
- Department Managers and Directors



# Sustainable Purchasing Value Proposition



# A Best Practice Program



Policy



Code of Conduct



Procedures



3 Year Strategy



Procurement Toolkit

Shopping List



Communication



Training



KPI's & Targets



Performance & Compliance Management



# MCSP Governance Structure

- MCSP Steering Committee
  - City of Calgary
  - City of Edmonton
  - City of Ottawa
  - City of Vancouver
  - UBC
- Secretariat & Subject Matter Expertise
  - Reeve Consulting





# MCSP Program Deliverables

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## Core Program Deliverables:

- 8 peer exchange teleconferences on strategic SP topics
- 1 Practice-Based Working Group
- Online MCSP Resource Centre
- Annual Municipal Trends and Best Practices Report
- Action Planning
- Municipal Contact List Directory
- Continuing Education Credits with SCMA



# Peer Exchange Teleconferences

## Recent Topics Covered:

- Sustainable Food Services
- End-of-life and Circular Economy Procurement
- The Legal Environment for Social Procurement
- Supplier Engagement Tools
- Measurement and Evaluation

# Working Groups

Voluntary group of members working together on a topic of interest to produce a deliverable and advance thought leadership

Recent Working Groups :

- Supplier Sustainability Leadership Questionnaire
- Monitoring and Evaluation

## 10 Best Practice Program Areas Progress Chart

Program Areas	Strategy & Action Plan	Sustainable Purchasing Policy	Supplier Code of Conduct	Social Sustainability & Innovation	Dedicated Staffing & Resources	Procurement Tools & Procedures	Training & Communication	Supplier Engagement	Measurement & Reporting	Leadership & Collaboration
Calgary	◐	◐	●	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	●
Edmonton Airport	○	◐	○	◐	○	◐	○	◐	○	◐
Grande Prairie	◐	◐	○	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐
Kelowna	◐	◐	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	◐
Ottawa	◐	●	●	◐	◐	●	●	◐	●	◐
Saanich	◐	◐	○	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐
Saskatoon	◐	◐	○	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐
SFU	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐
Surrey	◐	◐	○	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐
UBC	●	◐	◐	○	◐	◐	○	◐	◐	◐
U Alberta	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐
Vancouver	●	●	●	●	◐	●	◐	◐	◐	●
Victoria	◐	◐	○	◐	○	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐
Winnipeg	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	◐	○	○	◐

- Just beginning or future priority    ◐ Some progress made    ◑ In progress with room for improvement    ◒ In place; fairly well developed    ● Well developed with solid experience

## SUSTAINABLE SWAG PURCHASING GUIDE

This beginners guide aims to assist University of Alberta procurers of promotional products in embracing sustainability criteria & principles into their purchasing processes.

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# U Alberta

A sustainability scholar conducted research and, along with the Office of Sustainability, published a guide for business units to use when purchasing promotional products

# Winnipeg Becomes a Fair Trade Town



Throughout 2017, the Fair Trade Winnipeg Steering Committee worked in partnership with the City of Winnipeg to increase fair trade education and awareness in our communities, workplaces, faith groups, and schools.

# Benefits of Membership

- Network: collaborate and share information to improve performance
- Training and continuing education for staff
- Profile in the **State of the Nation Municipal Best Practices Report**
- Exclusive access to the MCSP Online Resource Centre
  - Tools, resources, and other materials to put theory into practice





# MCSP Affiliations





# Questions



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