

Celebrating Municipal Excellence

Nomination Form

Deadline: 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 5, 2021

Nominee Contact Information	
Name of municipality/ municipalities being nominated: <small>(please include the names of all partner municipalities)</small>	Town of Battleford- Fire Department
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Name of Nominated Practice or Project:	Battleford Fire Protection Services
Date of Project or Practice Initiation:	January 1, 2019
Date of Project or Practice Completion: <small>(If ongoing, please indicate)</small>	Ongoing: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Nominator Contact Information	
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Please remember when filling out your nomination that winning practices are posted in the Best Practices Library, so be sure to include all information that may be helpful to others if it were to be used as a reference or resource.

The Practice

1. What was the issue that inspired the nominated project or practice?
2. What has this project or practice done to address the issue?

Fire protection was very challenging for our smaller surrounding communities specially for our smaller First Nation Communities. Our well trained and very organized fire department established a great relationship with our surrounding communities specially smaller First Nation communities and help to resolve their fire protection situation.

Town of Battleford fire department with the leadership of Chief Larry Gabruch not only training and serving fire protection needs of several small communities and first nation communities, during COVID 19 pandemic helped them establishing their emergency planning. Town of Battleford fire department with the leadership of Chief Larry Gabruch keeping not only keeping our community safe, keeping surrounding communities safer.

The Process

This section should be the longest and most detailed part of your nomination. Include enough information so that a municipality interested in applying the same project or practice can follow your steps.

3. Indicate who had a direct role in this project or practice:

- Municipal Council
 Municipal Administration
 Other

4. What was the role of the municipal council and/or municipal staff in this project or practice?

5. Were other groups were involved in developing this project or practice? If so, who were they and what role did they play?

6. What resources were involved?

7. How was the project or practice developed?

Municipal and First Nation Leaderships worked together to open the door for the project and services. Many conversation and discussion conducted for mutual benefit.

Administration was present all the way from the beginning to the end observing information and helping to prepare the project documents.

Administration also directly worked with the Fire department for the development of the emergency management policies.

The Results

8. What effect did this project or practice have on the community?
9. Was a formal evaluation done after the project or practice was completed?
10. Describe any challenges faced.

This project and practice had a positive impact not only in our community but had a positive impact with in our region.

This project opened door for many regional activities and collations.

No formal evaluation was done for the practice because it is a service that all community need and some community can not afford to have it on their own.

Recruiting and training plan was a challenge first because of the pandemic but now it is resolved.

Lessons Learned

11. What lessons were learned and what would you recommend doing differently?
Remember, all nominations will become part of the Best Practices Library, so be sure to include specific information.

COVID 19 Pandemic was a very challenging time for everyone. Lesson learned during the difficult time that no matter what we should be ready for any emergency situation. Planning is everything. Town of Battleford fire department with the leadership of Chief Larry Gabruch are planning for all emergency situation for our town and our surrounding communities to keep everyone safe.