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St.-Charles receives support for stronger asset management practices

NICKEL BELT – GREATER SUDBURY – From roads and buildings, to waste water systems – strong asset management is key to building strong communities. Municipalities of all sizes need the tools and support to make evidence-based decisions that can help them plan a healthier, safer and more prosperous future for everyone.

That's why the Federal Government is investing \$50,000 in St.-Charles through the Municipal Asset Management Program (MAMP), which is delivered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Thanks to this investment, residents of St.-Charles will soon benefit from the tools to develop cost-effective maintenance, repair, rehabilitation or replacement activities plan to use throughout the entire lifecycle of municipal assets.

The MAMP aims to strengthen infrastructure investment decisions based on reliable data and sound asset management practices through asset management training, funding and information sharing. This project will help St.-Charles make data-driven decisions about key infrastructure and ensure long-term infrastructure performance.

This announcement builds upon other recently funded infrastructure initiatives in St.-Charles. Over \$31,000 was provided through the Healthy Community Initiatives Fund to support the creation of two picnic areas near the local waterbodies Lake Nipissing and Lake Nepewassi with picnic tables and a walking trail.

Additionally, \$160,000 was provided through the Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure Stream in support of the Community Arena to increase occupancy rates and allow the facility to safely host major community events. The funds also supported an updated fire alarm system and widened doors, a new ice resurfacer, new fitness equipment, and a new splash pad.

The Federal government and MP Serré continue to prioritize and support rural communities.

Quotes

“Our government recognizes the importance of training and tools to plan, maintain, and build sustainable infrastructure in rural communities across the country. After all infrastructure plays a major role in economic development, job growth and sustainability for a community. Through the Municipal Asset Management Program, our government is helping St-Charles acquire what they need to effectively manage their assets and improve the quality in Nickel Belt – Greater Sudbury.”- **Marc G. Serré, MP for Nickel Belt and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Official Languages**



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“Empowering municipalities to make strategic investment decisions regarding their municipal infrastructure assets is the goal of the Municipal Asset Management Program. FCM will continue to support municipalities with good asset management practices, planning, data collection and analysis so they can deliver essential services and ensure a high quality of life to their residents.”- **Joanne Vanderheyden, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities**

“The Municipality of St.-Charles is very grateful for the grant funding approved under the Municipal Asset Management Program initiatives, as overseen by Federation of Canadian Municipalities in partnership with the Government of Canada. With this generous funding the Municipality of St.-Charles will complete a comprehensive condition assessment program and develop an asset management strategy which will enable us to develop a sound and well-developed asset management plan.” – **Paul Schoppmann, Mayor of St.-Charles**

Quick facts

- The [Municipal Asset Management Program \(MAMP\)](#) is designed to help Canadian municipalities strengthen infrastructure investment decisions based on reliable data and sound asset management practices.
- MAMP provides asset management training, funding and information sharing to enable municipalities to access the data needed to plan effectively.
- The \$110-million program, funded by the Government of Canada and delivered by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, has invested in more than 1,259 municipal asset management projects.

Associated links

[Municipal Asset Management Program](#)
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[Investing in Canada: Canada's Long-Term Infrastructure Plan](#)
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