



MEMBER RELEASE

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TO: Mayors, Chairs and Administrators
FROM: Local Government Program Services, UBCM
RE: **Funding Opportunity - 2010 School Community Connections Round 2**

The School Community Connections (SCC) program was launched in 2005 through a one-time \$10 million grant from the provincial Ministry of Education. The program is jointly managed by the Union of BC Municipalities and the BC School Trustees Association and is intended to promote sustainable and innovative collaboration between boards of education and local governments.

In early 2010, the Supporting Neighbourhood Learning Centres program was launched to continue the original goals of the program while actively encouraging boards of education and local governments to work cooperatively and with community partners to create neighbourhood learning centres and expand the use of schools to provide community services.

Boards of Education and local governments are now invited to apply under Round 2 of the 2010 program. Grants of up to \$25,000 per school district are available although, depending on the number of applications that are submitted, an additional \$5,000 per school district may also be available.

All boards of education and local governments in BC are eligible to apply; however, the board of education and local government must apply together.

One will act as the primary applicant and the other will act as the partnering agency. The application deadline is November 19, 2010.

To access the Program & Application Guide and the Application Form, please visit the Funding Programs section of www.ubcm.ca. For more information about the funding program, contact:

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