MEDIA ADVISORY



ADVANCE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR MEDIA ACCESS TO 2023 UNION OF BC MUNICIPALITIES CONVENTION September 18 to 22, 2023 – Vancouver, B.C.

Vancouver, B.C. (August 16, 2023) - Media are invited to attend the 120th annual Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Convention in Vancouver B.C., the largest annual gathering of elected officials in the province, taking place primarily at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

All media representatives wishing to attend the convention must register in advance to obtain accreditation. Please register in advance here.

Approximately 2,000+ delegates are expected to attend, coming together to explore opportunities to balance the priorities ahead and craft plans that impact local communities

Early convention <u>program details</u> are available on the convention website. Scheduled presenters include:

- Honourable David Eby, premier, Province of British Columbia (Friday, September 22)
- Kevin Falcon, leader of the official opposition (Thursday, September 21)
- Sonia Furstenau, leader of the B.C. Green Party (Wednesday, September 20)
- **UBCM president Jen Ford**, Whistler councillor, will preside over the convention.

The convention <u>resolutions book</u> is now available. Delegates will consider over 200 resolutions on a wide range of issues affecting local communities, including:

- Health Equity for Rural and Remote Communities (SR1)
- Investment in Mental Health & Substance Use Recovery (EB1)
- Extreme Weather Response (EB18)
- Provincial Government Re-Established as Diking Authority (EB29)
- Increased Funding for Climate Adaptation Costs (EB31)

The convention will also include the annual trade show taking place Wednesday, September 20 and Thursday, September 21. Held only when the UBCM Convention meets in Vancouver, the trade show has sold out since its inception.

ABOUT UBCM

The Union of B.C. Municipalities has been the voice of local government in British Columbia since 1905. The annual Convention provides a forum for our members to establish policy and engage with provincial leaders on matters of common concern.

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