

TO: Mayors, Wardens, Councillors, and CAOs
FR: Debbie Nielsen, NSFM's Infrastructure & Sustainability Officer
RE: INVITATION TO APPLY FOR NSFM'S *CLIMATE CHANGE LEADERS AWARD*
ACTION REQUIRED: Application deadline is September 21, 2018

NSFM invites municipalities to apply for its 6th annual *Climate Change Leaders Award*. The award honours municipalities that have demonstrated exemplary leadership in climate change adaptation and/or mitigation through the implementation of initiatives and creation of awareness. The objectives of the award program are to celebrate successes, encourage continuous action towards climate change adaptation and mitigation, support the implementation of strategies from Municipal Climate Change Action Plans, and support collaborative efforts and the sharing of information among municipalities.

If you would like to apply for NSFM's Climate Change Leaders Award, please complete the attached application and submit it to dnielsen@nsfm.ca by **September 21**. The successful applicant will be announced at NSFM's fall conference on November 7.

Previous recipients of NSFM's Climate Change Leaders Award include:

- 2013: **HRM** for its Solar City Project
- 2014: **Municipality of the District of Digby** for its biogas project that is turning mink waste into energy and the **District of Shelburne** for improvements to its wastewater treatment infrastructure that not only reduce greenhouse gas emissions but incorporated climate change projections into the design of its new facility
- 2015: **County of Antigonish** for its collaboration on the climate change film: *Listening to Our Neighbours, Exploring a Changing Climate in Antigonish*
- 2016: **The District of Digby, District of Lunenburg, District of Shelburne and Town of Bridgewater** for their *Clean Energy Financing Program*
- 2017: **The Towns of Antigonish, Berwick and Mahone Bay** for their collaboration on the Alternative Resource Energy Authority's Wind Farm in Ellershouse.

For more information about NSFM's Climate Change Leaders Award, please contact Debbie at 423-8312 or dnielsen@nsfm.ca.

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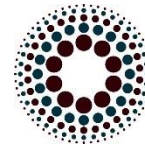
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NSFM's Climate Change Leaders Award Program

Application Guidelines



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INTRODUCTION

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1.0 Eligibility

- Any municipality in Nova Scotia working independently or regionally to lessen the impacts of climate change are eligible to apply.
- Only climate change initiatives started after March 31, 2016 are eligible for consideration, unless the project is ongoing.

2.0 Application

Please complete the attached application form and submit it to dnielsen@nsfm.ca by September 21, 2018.

3.0 Application & Award Details

3.1 Application Information

Applicants must indicate:

- Direct deliverables from the implementation of the project
- Any economic, social and environmental benefits resulting from the project
- The project's timeframe, indicating how it was planned and implemented
- Subsequent climate change adaptation and/or mitigation actions that resulted from the project's implementation

3.2 Review Process

All applications will be reviewed by an awards committee.

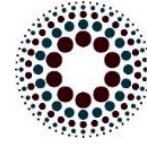
3.3 Announcement of Successful Applicant

The successful applicant will be announced at NSFM's fall conference on November 7.

4.0 Questions

You can direct any questions about this awards program to Debbie Nielsen at 423-8312 or dnielsen@nsfm.ca.

NSFM's Climate Change Leaders Award Application Form



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Please complete this form and submit it to dnielsen@nsfm.ca by September 21, 2018.

1. YOUR INFORMATION

Municipality			
Contact person & title			
Address		Phone	
		E-mail	

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Type of Project:

Sector	Indicate with an "X"
Buildings & Infrastructure	
Energy	
Water & Wastewater	
Transportation & Fleet Vehicles	
Community Engagement	

a) Project title	
b) Please provide a brief description of the project (250 word maximum).	

3. PROJECT DELIVERABLES & BENEFITS

a) Describe the specific objectives of the project and indicate whether or not they tie in with your Municipal Climate Change Action Plan (250 word maximum).

b) Identify the project's outcomes and describe any social, economic and/or environmental benefits obtained from its implementation (250 word maximum).

c) Please describe what is innovative about the project (250 word maximum).

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d) Please list any partners who were engaged in the project.

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e) Did your municipality lead the project?	Indicate with an "X"
Yes	
No	

f) Outline the timeframe for the project and include the start and end dates.

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g) Describe any next steps that have or will be initiated as a result of the project (150 word maximum).

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Thank you for your application to NSFM's *Climate Change Leaders Awards Program!*