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2017 Municipal Award Recipients Announced

Calgary, AB - The Board of Directors of the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) is pleased to announce the 2017 recipients of the AUMA and Society of Local Government Managers (SLGM) Dedicated Team and Dedicated Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) awards. The Awards were presented as part of the Convention's Opening Ceremonies on November 22, the first event of the AUMA Annual Convention and AMSC Trade Show held at the TELUS Convention Centre in Calgary.

The two awards are jointly administered by the AUMA and the SLGM. This year's recipients – respectively – are the City of Leduc's Executive Team, and Betty Osmond, CAO of the Town of Sylvan Lake.

"The recipients honoured with these awards have worked tirelessly to support their municipalities and the communities they serve," said Lisa Holmes, past president of the AUMA. "On behalf of the members of our Association, we would like to congratulate the winners and thank them for their significant contributions."

"This year's recipients of the Dedicated CAO and Dedicated Team awards are outstanding examples of leadership and innovation in municipal government," says Tim Timmons, chair of the SLGM. "Sylvan Lake CAO Betty Osmond, has provided steadfast leadership for one of Alberta's fastest growing communities since 2010. Her desire to support others led her to assist the Town of Slave Lake in 2011 after a wildfire tore through that community. She is a deserving recipient of this award and will be missed by many when she retires in 2018."

"Our Dedicated Team recipient goes to the Executive Team at the City of Leduc. Led by CAO Paul Benedetto, the work this team undertook to create a Corporate Mission and Vision will undoubtedly lead, advance and inspire their organization. Their desire to consistently evolve and grow has led the City of Leduc to be a respected leader in municipal government throughout the province."

Dedicated CAO Award recognizes a CAO for long-term excellence and dedication to both municipal government and chief administrative management, while the Dedicated Team Award recognizes a municipal administration team for its outstanding contribution in the field of municipal administration.

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About the AUMA

Founded in 1905, the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association represents all of Alberta's urban municipalities, including cities, towns, villages, summer villages and specialized municipalities, as well as municipally related Associate and Affiliate members. Our goal is to develop a strong partnership between all three levels of government through a shared vision, with long-term planning that facilitates social and economic growth, a strategic and stable funding matrix for capital projects, vital emergency and social services and implementation and coordination in the delivery of services to ensure the long-term sustainability of Alberta municipalities.



About the SLGM

As the governing body of the profession, the Society's purpose is to enhance and promote the professional practice of local government management and to ensure that educational opportunities are provided to improve the management abilities of those who are involved in local government administration in Alberta. A not-for-profit professional association incorporated in 1988, the SLGM represents the rural and urban sectors of local government and strives to improve the quality and abilities of local government managers in Alberta. The Society's affairs are guided by an elected Board of Directors, consisting of six professional members and one public member representative appointed by the Government of Alberta.