



All Risk Municipal Grant

Investing in Municipal Risk Resiliency

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Rules & Guidelines

Overview

Local Authority Services (LAS) and Intact Public Entities (IPE) are proud to introduce the All Risk Municipal Grant – Investing in Municipal Risk Resiliency. This initiative recognizes and supports innovative risk management practices within Ontario municipalities. Through this program, three municipalities demonstrating exceptional and creative solutions to risk management challenges will each receive grant funding to support their initiatives.

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must be a municipal government in the Province of Ontario.
- The initiative must be a new risk management project that addresses municipal-sector risks.
- The initiative must have the potential to be adopted by other municipalities.
- The initiative must be cost-effective to implement.
- Funds must be used solely for the approved purpose.
- This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario.
- Examples can be found on the next page.

Details

- **Number of Winners:** Three (3) Ontario municipalities.
- **Grant Amount:** Three grants of \$10,000 per municipality to support the implementation of their initiative.
- **Application Deadline:** Thursday, May 1, 2025, at 4:00 pm. Please refer to the Application Form.
- **Submission:** Applications must be submitted via email to: MunicipalRiskGrant@las.on.ca

Judging Panel

Submissions will be reviewed by a panel of experts by Friday, May 30, 2025. Panel members include:

- Jessica Jaremchuk, BA, LL. B, Vice President, Risk Management Services, Intact Public Entities
- Shannon Devane, BBA, FCIP, RIMS-CRMP, Program Manager, Municipal Risk Management, LAS
- Jennifer Hunter, Partner, Leners LLP
- Charles Painter, National Co-Chair - Municipal Defence Group, Dolden Wallace Folick LLP
- Deborah Tracogna, Former Risk Manager, City of Brampton

Evaluation Criteria

- Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
 - Risk Issue and Rationale
 - Project Goals and Objectives
 - Innovation
 - Transferability
 - Project Timeline and Budget
 - Project Impact (Risk Reduction)



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Winner Announcement

- Winners will be notified by Friday, June 13, 2025.
- Selected municipalities must keep their win confidential until the official announcement, which will take place upon conversation with each selected municipality, LAS and IPE.
- Details of the winning municipalities and their projects will be published on LAS's, and IPE's websites following the announcement and may be used at other relevant municipal events.

The successful applicant must grant Intact Public Entities (IPE) and Local Authority Services (LAS) permission to publicly share details on how the grant will support their risk management initiative. The municipality agrees to the documentation and dissemination of the winning initiative, including the use of the \$10,000 prize, through Intact Public Entities (IPE) and Local Authority Services (LAS) websites, social media posts, a press release, and during the awards presentation. By accepting the grant, the applicant acknowledges and agrees that Intact Public Entities (IPE) and Local Authority Services (LAS) are not responsible for any potential consequences, including reputational or other impacts, arising from the documentation, dissemination, or public sharing of details about the initiative.

For specific questions on the All Risk Municipal Grant, please contact us at: MunicipalRiskGrant@las.on.ca

All Risk Municipal Grant Examples

1. Data capture systems (e.g., Risk and Insurance Management System): Enhances the ability to track claims, incidents, and trends, leading to more informed decision-making.
2. Dash cam initiatives for municipal fleet safety: Purchase and install dash cams, set up a secure data storage system, and create policies for reviewing footage to reduce liability in traffic incidents and promote safer driving habits among employees.
3. Smart Flood Monitoring System: Installing water level sensors in flood-prone areas to provide real-time monitoring and alerts to reduce damage from unexpected flooding events by improving response times.
4. Road Safety Audits with AI-Driven Tools: Using AI technology to conduct road safety audits, identifying high-risk intersections and traffic patterns to reduce traffic accidents and improve pedestrian safety.
5. Playground Safety Enhancement Program: Upgrade playground materials and provide staff with tools to log and track safety inspections to prevent injuries from playground accidents and reduce liability for the municipality.
6. Weather Monitoring System: Install a localized weather monitoring system to provide accurate, real-time data on temperature, precipitation, wind, and ice conditions. This data supports better decision-making for snow clearing, salting, and other weather-dependent municipal operations.



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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Who can apply:

A: Any staff member employed within a municipality in the Province of Ontario.

Q: When can I apply:

A: The application period will run from January 21, 2025, until May 1, 2025.

Q: Who should I contact if I have any questions?

A: For specific questions on the All Risk Municipal Grant, please contact us at: MunicipalRiskGrant@las.on.ca

Q: Can a municipality submit multiple applications for different initiatives?

A: Yes, we will accept multiple applications from a single municipality. However, only one grant per municipality will be awarded, out of the three available.

Q: What if our solution is unique to our municipality?

A: We understand that municipalities can have unique risks. However, the process of identifying the issue and determining a solution is often transferable. While the solution may be specific to your municipality, the underlying concept is typically applicable to others. If you have any questions about eligibility, please feel free to contact us before submitting your application. You can contact us at: MunicipalRiskGrant@las.on.ca

Q: What if we don't want to give permission to publicize our entry?

A: If you choose not to grant permission to publicize your entry, you will not be eligible to receive the grant. This is a public grant designed to recognize and support innovative risk management practices. For eligibility, the solution must be transferable to other municipalities, and publicizing it is essential for this purpose.

Q: When must the winning initiative be implemented?

A: We expect the initiative to be implemented, or at least in the process of being implemented (i.e. budgeted for), by November 2025.

Q. Can we use the funds for a new program or to purchase new equipment?

A. The funds must be used for a risk management initiative. For example, the funds cannot be used to purchase a vehicle, but they can be applied to the purchase of a dash cam for snowplows and patroller vehicles.

Q: What types of initiatives are considered risk management projects?

A: Risk management projects include initiatives that address municipal-sector risks such as public safety, property protection, infrastructure management, or liability reduction. Specific examples can be found in the Grant Rules and Guidelines document.

Q: How will applications be evaluated?

A: Applications will be evaluated based on the criteria provided by a five (5) person panel and scored by consensus.



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Q: What happens if we are unable to implement the initiative by November 2025?

A: If delays occur, you must inform us promptly. Clear progress toward implementation is required.

Q: Is there a word or page limit for the application submission?

A: No, however, we recommend keeping your application at a reasonable length and that it is clear and concise. Supporting documents such as project plans or budgets can be included as appendices.

Q: Are there any reporting requirements for successful applicants?

A: Yes, successful applicants must submit a brief report detailing the implementation progress, challenges encountered, and outcomes achieved within six months of project completion. This requirement will be outlined in the funding agreement each winner receives.