

Finance & Financial Management

Additional Resources for the *Municipal Government Sustainability Self-Assessment Tool*

Good financial management is one of the cornerstones of the success and continuity of any municipality. It ensures financial resources are properly managed and funds are spent in accordance with the stated priorities and mission of the municipality.

This category of sustainability reflects whether the municipality is following principles of fiscal responsibility, performing ongoing monitoring of its financial health and risks and following best practices in accounting, budgeting and preparing and presenting financial statements. According to the municipal Acts municipalities are to provide wise stewardship of public assets.

General financial information

Suggested terms to search on www.saskatchewan.ca to find general assessment and taxation information:

- Assessment and taxation
- Assessment appeals guide
- Education property tax system
- Municipal administration
- Mill rate return instructions
- Mill rate survey results
- Property taxes
- Tax enforcement manual
- 2015 guide to municipal property tax policy

Suggested terms to search on www.saskatchewan.ca to find information about financial reporting:

- Budget preparation
- Developing a five-year capital works plan
- Financial statements
- Municipal finances
- Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB)
- Residential water and sewer costs
- Saskatchewan Municipal Board (SMB)
- Saskatchewan municipal audit guidelines
- Saskatchewan municipal asset management
- Waterworks regulatory requirements

External resources

- **All About Strategic Planning** - <https://managementhelp.org/strategicplanning/>
A free library containing information about strategic planning.