



SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY AWARD GOES TO THE CITY OF BURNABY FOR UNIVERCITY

February 9th, 2011 – The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) yesterday unveiled the winners of its 2011 Sustainable Communities Awards, an awards program recognizing municipal environmental projects across Canada that demonstrate excellence in environmental responsibility. The City of Burnaby was the recipient of an award in the inaugural Integrated Neighbourhood Development category for its work in overseeing the development of UniverCity on Burnaby Mountain.

“We are extremely pleased to see the City of Burnaby honoured for its role in helping to see UniverCity developed as a truly sustainable community,” said Gordon Harris, President and CEO of the SFU Community Trust. “To be recognized by a group like the FCM says a great deal about the innovative partnership we have with the City.”

In giving the award, the FCM cited the innovative planning and development occurring at UniverCity as a strong example of effective public-private collaboration.

“This year’s award winners are prime examples of the type of environmental leadership communities are showing on the front lines of sustainable development in Canada,” said Hans Cunningham, president of FCM. Municipalities are where the rubber hits the road on sustainable development and climate change.”

The FCM Awards are designed to shine a light on municipal projects that can inspire other Canadian communities to undertake similar initiatives.

Awards are given to winning municipalities in each of nine categories: brownfields, buildings, energy, integrated neighbourhood development, planning, residential development, transportation, waste and water.

The awards were announced at a reception and awards ceremony during FCM’s Sustainable Communities Conference and Trade Show in Victoria, BC.

Other winners of the 2011 FCM Sustainable Community Awards are:

- Brownfields: Town of the Blue Mountains, ON – Blue Mountains Town Hall
- Buildings: City of Calgary, AB – Renovation of the Historic Calgary Public Building
- Energy (two winners): City of Medicine Hat, AB – HAT Smart Renewable Energy and Conservation Program; and City of Montréal, QC – City of Montréal Energy Fund
- Planning (two winners): City of Calgary, AB – Plan It Calgary; and City of

- Yellowknife, NT – City of Yellowknife Smart Growth Development Plan
- Residential development: City of Victoria, BC – Making Secondary Suites Easier
 - Transportation: City of Toronto, ON – City of Toronto Walking Strategy
 - Waste: Regional District of Nanaimo, BC – Zero Waste Program
 - Water (two winners): Town of Olds, AB/Waste Not Ltd. – Wastewater Wonder; and Village of Victoria, PE/Engineering Technologies Canada Ltd. – Water and Wastewater Pilot Project

ABOUT UNIVERCITY: UniverCity is the award-winning residential community being developed adjacent to Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, B.C. With 3,000 residents, the community will ultimately have a population at least 10,000. SFU Community Trust is developing UniverCity as a model sustainable community, generating endowment wealth to support teaching and research at SFU.

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