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# New This Week

*Information for you from us at the GCWCC*

**Topics:** Nominate your Volunteers for the Above & Beyond Award; Assiniboine Credit Union Grant Intake Open; Efficiency Manitoba Community Rink Lighting Initiative; Manitoba Building Conference & Expo (BOMA); For Sale – Bleachers; FREE – Office Chairs available; October Is Cyber Security Month

## **Nominate Your Volunteers for the Above & Beyond Banquet Now – Due by October 25th**

Our annual **Above & Beyond Banquet** will take place this year on **Saturday, November 18, 2023**, at Transcona East End Community Centre. This is an opportunity for Community Centres to honour Past President's (who step down by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023) and celebrate other amazing volunteers who have gone Above & Beyond.

Community Centres are encouraged to celebrate up to two volunteers from your community centre, past or present, who have gone Above & Beyond. Deadline for nominations is Wednesday October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Community Centres will be invoiced for tickets purchased for attendees including the volunteer nominees and Past President's attending the event. Tickets on sale now.

Email us at [office@gcwcc.mb.ca](mailto:office@gcwcc.mb.ca) for a nomination form.

## **Assiniboine Credit Union Grant Intake Open**

ACU will consider grant requests for:

- Equipment (upgraded computers, office furniture, secure storage facilities)
- Planning (strategic and feasibility plans, community consultations)
- Public awareness (website redesign, video production, information, and display materials)
- Professional development (training, retreats, conferences, and workshops)

### [ACU - Community Grants & Sponsorships](#)

For general inquiries, please email [sponsorships@acu.ca](mailto:sponsorships@acu.ca)

Deadline for Fall Intake is **Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>**

## **Efficiency Manitoba Community Rink Lighting Initiative**

Efficiency Manitoba will be presenting on the 'Community Rink Lighting Initiative' and the 'Business Lighting Program' in a virtual format on **October 24, 2023**.

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Zoom: 2:00-2:45 pm - [Register Here](#)

Zoom: 7:00-7:45 pm - [Register Here](#)

Efficiency Manitoba has launched a new limited-time initiative aiming to help communities throughout the province reduce their energy bills and operating costs. Through the Community Rink Lighting Initiative, the Crown corporation will be providing funding to help multiple facilities with indoor ice rinks replace their inefficient lighting, covering up to 100% of reasonable lighting equipment and associated labour costs. From September 1 to December 1, 2023, Efficiency Manitoba will be accepting Expressions of Interest from eligible applicants.

To qualify for the Community Rink Lighting Initiative, your facility must have an indoor rink. However, please note that this presentation is open to all community centres, as Efficiency Manitoba also offers the Business Lighting Program, which many have successfully taken advantage of.

Here's the key information:

- If your community center has an indoor rink, you are eligible to upgrade any existing lighting, whether it's indoors or outdoors, covering areas like hallways, changing rooms, and the canteen. It's a single application because it pertains to the same facility or organization.
- In the event that your community center has already made LED lighting upgrades, don't worry; you can still seek funding through the Community Rink Lighting Initiative for other lighting improvements. Efficiency Manitoba wants to encourage improvements without penalizing rinks or arenas that have already upgraded their lighting above the indoor rink, so all other lighting that needs replacement, both inside and outside, remains eligible.
- If your community center only has an outdoor rink and no indoor facility, it does not qualify for funding under the Community Rink Lighting Initiative. However, you can still apply through the regular Business Lighting Program.

In this presentation, we will cover both the 'Community Rink Lighting Initiative' and the 'Business Lighting Program.' Additionally, we will showcase a case study of the City of Winnipeg Arena, which has already benefited from the Business Lighting Program.

Before the presentation, please feel free to have a look at the Community Rink Lighting Initiative' <https://efficiencymb.ca/business/business-lighting/community-rink-lighting-initiative-eoi/> and the 'Business Lighting Program' <https://efficiencymb.ca/business/business-lighting/> webpages.

## **Manitoba Building Conference & Expo (BOMA)**

Register today for the Manitoba Building Conference & Expo scheduled for **Tuesday, October 17, 2023**

This event, at Victoria Inn Hotel & Convention Centre (with the full day price of just \$120 for BOMA members use GCWCC membership) is dedicated entirely to designing, constructing, and managing buildings. The conference combines a tradeshow/product expo, educational seminars, and a keynote luncheon.

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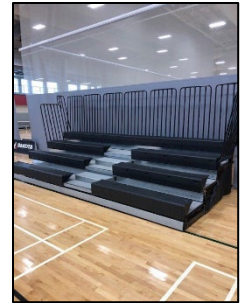
The expo floor will once again showcase the latest technologies, and building products, and the **trade show is free for all to attend.**

If you are interested in participating as an exhibitor visit the [Manitoba Building Conference & Expo website](#) or [email Lise Thiessen](#).

### For Sale - Bleachers

Dakota CC is looking to sell some bleachers. Some details:

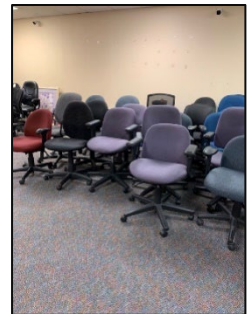
- Portable
- Bleachers are collapsible
- Seats 35 people



We are looking to sell 12 of these bleachers, includes two jacks to assist with moving. If anyone is interested, would like specs, or has questions, they can contact: Mark Spencer, Director of Operations (204)254-1010 ext. 212

### FREE – Office Chairs available

We have been contacted by Lifetouch Canada, who are looking to donate office Chairs (as seen in the photo). If you could use one or more at your centre, please Contact: Cheyanne at [cheyanne.borden@shutterfly.com](mailto:cheyanne.borden@shutterfly.com)



### October Is Cyber Security Month

In 2022, over \$371M were lost to cyber-enabled fraud, according to reports to the CAFC. We estimate that this number is only a fraction of what the actual losses were which weren't reported. The City of Winnipeg has created some excellent resources to help. Visit the link below.

<https://www.winnipeg.ca/news/2023-10-04-cyber-security-awareness-month-2023>

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