

BOARD BANTER



LOCAL GOVERNMENT AWARENESS WEEK May 15 - 19, 2023

Local Government Awareness Week in the RDOS

This year, the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) is recognizing Local Government Awareness Week from May 15-19, 2023 by working with Similkameen Elementary Secondary School in Electoral Area "G" to facilitate learning opportunities for students.

Earlier this week, RDOS staff and Board members visited grade 5 students and members of the Young Leaders Group at Similkameen Elementary Secondary School to share about how they serve their communities. Today, students will be virtually joining a Board meeting where they will have the opportunity to ask questions to the Board of Directors.

UBCM has scheduled Asset Management Awareness Day for Wednesday, May 17, 2023. This day's purpose is to highlight the importance of sound asset management practices.

Local Government Awareness Week (LGAW) is an ongoing initiative across British Columbia, running annually during the third week of May.

The initiative is led by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) in partnership with CivicInfo BC and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. Its purpose is to generate awareness and educate the public about the roles and responsibilities of local government, and encourage the public to participate in local government processes.

UBCM encourages municipal and regional governments to use this week as a platform for expanding communities' understanding of the priorities, services, and programs provided by local government entities.

Did you know?

In 2021, RDOS Communications made a Local Government Awareness Week educational video. The video features various area directors explaining the role and function of the RDOS. It can be found on the RDOS YouTube page.



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