

April 18 – 20, 2018

Call for Presenters – Presentation Information

The Organizing Committee for the 2018 Association of Kootenay & Boundary Local Governments (AKBLG) Convention and AGM is accepting proposals for presentations. We are interested in presenting our membership with perspectives not only from emergency management professionals but also business owners, community members at large and organizations within our communities which all pull together during times of crisis. Presentations should be relevant to elected officials of the Kootenay & Boundary regions.

Preference will be given to presentation topics that:

- That are dynamic, engaging, interactive, and informative, and feature best practices in Local Government;
- Reflect issues that are of importance to local government and reflect the Convention theme “Emergency Preparedness with regards to Response, Recovery and Reflection”;
- Provide attendees with educational value or an opportunity to engage in meaningful and respectful dialogue.

The AKBLG forums will group presenters into the following topics, those being:

- long term preparations for emergencies, including risk mitigation measures;
- on the ground operational response, with a focus on how community resources (small business operators, volunteers) provide support to the overall operations; and
- review and reflection by community members and emergency response professionals on what worked, how to be better prepared for the future and how to share this knowledge with other communities;
- Non-traditional aspects of preparation and response. (e.g. business continuity for the municipality when evacuated or receiving evacuees;
- Elected Officials role in an emergency response situation. (e.g. Elected officials need to have the background of the situation to enable them to continue to be maintain a leadership role, but not participate in the actual incident command functions; and
- Public speaking under pressure.

Deadline for First Call for Proposals is Friday, December 8, 2017. The Committee will review all proposals submitted and will continue to receive proposals until all presentation spots are filled.

Proposals and inquiries should be forwarded to Sheryl Zral, Convention Coordinator at mszral@telus.net or sjgzral@gmail.com or 250 423.1997.

Presenter Information

Name of Presenter(s)	
Title (I.e. Executive Director, Owner, President etc.)	
Organization	
Presenter (s) Bio (Qualifications or experience as related to the presenting topic.)	

Presentation Information

Presentation Title	
Description of Presentation (max 200 words, less is fine!)	
Tell us why it is important for elected officials to hear your presentation?	
Have you made this presentation at other Conferences or Events? If yes, what event and when?	
Have you or your organization presented at the AKBLG Convention & AGM in the past 3 years? If yes, tell us the year and topic of your presentation.	

Presentation Format

Please indicate your preferred format for your presentation.			
Plenary presentation – Full convention (150-200 people)	<input type="checkbox"/> 30 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> 45 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> 60 minutes
Plenary presentation followed by working session – Full convention (150-200 people)	<input type="checkbox"/> 90 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> 120 minutes	
Concurrent workshop (groups of 50 or less)	<input type="checkbox"/> 50 minutes		
Describe your presentation format. (Examples: PowerPoint presentation followed by Q&A from the floor. Presentation followed by small group discussion. Conversation Café format. Panel Discussion. Explain how you can meet the criteria of being dynamic, educational and interactive.)			

Presenters should refrain from promoting or lobbying for a specific sector, business, product, or service.