Spring Flooding Appeal

Dear members,

Over the past few days, we've watched our colleagues in communities in Quebec, Eastern Ontario, New Brunswick and British Columbia deal with relentless spring flooding. We've seen rising waters damage homes, overwhelm neighbourhoods and upend lives.

FCM and Canada's municipal sector want to express support for our colleagues in the flood-affected areas. Municipalities are on the front lines of extreme weather. When the worst hits, we need to be there for one another — just like we have in the past.

The Canadian Red Cross is already at work in impacted communities, and has set up a fund to help. We're asking municipalities to consider <u>making a donation</u> to support these critical efforts.

In moments like these, we're reminded of why it's so important for all orders of government to work together. FCM will continue to work with our federal partners to ensure municipalities have sufficient financial support in a disaster. And we continue to stand in solidarity with municipal leaders, local first responders and residents working tirelessly to protect our communities.

Sincerely,

Clark Somerville FCM President