



2026 ARPA CONFERENCE & ENERGIZE WORKSHOP

Legacy in Action: Celebrating 75 Years

Justification Toolkit



CONFERENCE BENEFITS



Professional Development

Gain insights from sector leaders and innovators through workshops, keynotes, and educational sessions. Explore Alberta-focused challenges and solutions while building skills you can apply directly in your role



Education & Practical Learning

The conference is designed around learning, reflection, and knowledge-sharing. Sessions are intentionally structured to provide fresh insights, practical tools, and sector-wide perspectives that you can carry back to your workplace.



Innovative Solutions & Diverse Sessions

Explore sessions filled with practical tools, innovative strategies, and inspiring case studies designed to help you create healthier, more vibrant communities. Discover practical, peer-reviewed sessions packed with fresh ideas, actionable tools, and proven strategies on a variety of topics relevant to the recreation and parks sector.



Networking Opportunities

Connect with peers, elected officials, and leaders from across Alberta. Build partnerships, share challenges, and discover solutions that can strengthen your organization and community.

ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE COST

EXPENSE	GUIDELINE	COST
Conference Registration	View ARPA's registration rates on our webpage.	
Travel	Use maps & your mileage policy to verify your distance to Jasper.	
Lodging	View ARPAs hotel block rates on our hotel information webpage.	
Food Per Diem	Full Registration packages include all meals while at the event.	

Registration includes access to sessions, keynotes, and networking opportunities

The logo features a large white number '75' on a green background. Inside the '5' is a white icon of three stylized human figures holding hands. To the right of the '75' is the text '2026 ARPA CONFERENCE & ENERGIZE WORKSHOP' in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

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[Date]

[Title]

[Organization]

[Postal Address]

[City, Province, Postal Code]

Dear, [Supervisors Name]

I am requesting approval to attend the 2026 Alberta Recreation & Parks Association (ARPA) Conference & Energize Workshop, scheduled for October 22–24 at the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge. This annual event is Alberta's leading gathering for recreation, parks, and community leaders, providing professional development, networking, and innovative tools that directly benefit our organization.

Here's how my attendance aligns with our goals:

Professional Development – I will gain skills and knowledge from sector experts and thought leaders that I can bring back to strengthen our team and services.

Networking – I will connect with municipal leaders, peers, and potential partners to share challenges and discover new approaches we can adopt locally.

Innovation – By attending Alberta-specific sessions across streams like Tourism, Reconciliation, Energize/Elected Officials, and Women in Recreation, I'll gather ideas directly relevant to our community needs.

Return on Investment – Upon my return, I will provide a summary of key takeaways and recommendations for how these can be applied in our workplace to increase impact.

The estimated cost of my attendance is attached. I am confident that the benefits of participating — both professionally and organizationally — far outweigh the expenses.

Thank you for supporting this opportunity to build skills, connections, and insights that will strengthen our work.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]