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Good Morning,

[Strong Cities Network](#) is a global network of municipalities committed to addressing all forms of hate, extremism, and polarization. In 2025, [Prevention Academy Canada](#) was launched, with the support of [Public Safety Canada](#). The purpose of this initiative is to address national and global issues that have put considerable strain on Canadian municipal units and local officials facing rising levels of hate, discrimination, division, and social polarization in their communities. NSFM actively participated in Cohort #1. Cohort #2 launched this past summer, and the following elected leaders are participating:

- Councillor Christina Sappington, Municipality of the County of Kings
- Councillor Danielle Fraser, Town of Westville
- Councillor Katherine McCarron, Town of Mahone Bay
- Mayor Amery Boyer, Town of Annapolis Royal

Learn more about the program by viewing the following video: [Prevention Academy Video](#)

Seeking Resources for your organization?

In December 2025, the [Association of Manitoba Municipalities](#), in collaboration with [Strong Cities Network](#), launched a [Toolkit for Manitoba Municipalities: Addressing Anti-Government Hate and Harassment](#) to support local elected officials and municipal staff across Manitoba as they respond to rising forms of anti-government and anti-establishment hate and harassment. **You may find this resource helpful as you address this issue in your communities.**

The toolkit provides 130 concrete and practical recommendations for mayors, councillors, chief administrative officers, city managers, department directors, and other local elected officials and staff, most of which serve small or rural populations with limited administrative capacity. Topics include:

- Causes of Anti-Government Sentiment
- Protecting Candidates for Local Office, Harassment of Municipal Officials
- Online Harassment
- Online Misinformation and Disinformation
- Meeting Disruptions
- Identity-Based Hate

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