

City of Edmonton still #1 in Open Data

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For the second year in a row, the City of Edmonton has been named Canada's most open city among 68 municipalities. The recognition comes from the Public Sector Digest in partnership with Canada's Open Data Exchange, based on 2016 Open Cities Index results that benchmark data initiatives across the country.

"This is great news for Edmonton," said Wendy Gnenz, Branch Manager, Open City and Innovation. "It recognizes the significant effort the City is putting into to open government and open data. It encourages our ongoing commitment to transparent, inclusive and collaborative operational practices aimed at enhancing services to Edmontonians."

The City of Edmonton received a score of 98% overall for its open data program. The Open Data Plan and Open Data Policy, training and open data hackathons are just some of the ways Edmonton is building open data capacity within its organization and in the broader community.

The Open Cities Index launched in 2015 as Canada's first study to benchmark municipal open data initiatives across the country. For the past two years, the City of Edmonton has been named Canada's most open city, with the City of Toronto retaining its second place ranking. Montréal rounds out the top three this year.

The full 2016 Top 20 report can viewed [here](#).

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