

COVID-19 SURVEY SUMMARY – MB Residents (May 2020)

Who Answered the Survey?

- 59 respondents whose primary residence is in MB.
- 22% are not registered
- 22% work in landscape architecture offices (8.5% in solo LA offices); 8.5% in government, 37.3% in multidisciplinary firms, 8.5% in other office types

How has worked changed with COVID-19?

- 64.9% are working in a different location (from home, alternate office, etc.)
- 2% have been laid off temporarily (0% permanently)
- Respondents reported very little change to work volume compared to before COVID-19

Prioritization of services currently provided.

- Top priority: more online professional educational events
- Communication on COVID-19
- Virtual Networking

Suggestions for other services MALA can support you with

- Professional forums for sharing tips and tricks to working at home, surviving isolation
- Sharing of current work experiences
- Pushing government to continue to issue work permits... to ensure essential construction services can continue. Supporting municipalities to keep moving forward with projects
- This is a great opportunity for Landscape Architects to write and advertise about our profession. How we will design cities, parks open spaces after this might change. We may realise that cooking and growing our own food will be consider survival skill in pandemic situations. We might be designing more community gardens! Urban Agriculture will be part of the successful City building.
- Work on getting landscape architectural design as a requirement on City projects and the name act.
- Spotlight feature Canadian landscape architecture projects in a blog to read.
- Advocacy with all levels of government regarding essential value of the profession. Support to access financial programs.

What do respondents want to be asked next?

- How can we connect graduates with employers in a meaningful way?
- How does this effect LARE exams?
- How are you finding accessing federal aid programs. How can we help with this?