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**Municipality of Clarington, ON Presented with
\$10,000 *Excellence* in Municipal Risk Management Award**

PRINCETON, ON – Frank Cowan Company presented the Municipality of Clarington with the inaugural \$10,000 *Excellence* in Municipal Risk Management Award at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Sustainable Communities Conference Award Ceremony, February 11, 2015 in London, Ontario.

The Municipality of Clarington received the award for recognizing risks associated with special events held on both municipal and private property. Newby-laws were introduced that provide a proper and consistent approach to regulating special events, protecting the health and safety of the community and avoiding unnecessary disruptions and adverse risk caused by an event.



From left to right: Raymond Louie, FCM First Vice-President and Chairman, Green Municipal Fund; Franklin Wu, Chief Administrative Officer, Municipality of Clarington; Mayor Adrian Foster, Municipality of Clarington; Larry Ryan, President Frank Cowan Company; Brock Carlton, Chief Executive Officer, FCM.

“Clarington hosts about 40 major events and festivals in any given year. It was important for us to come up with a by-law governing special events that made sense. One that ensured public safety but also streamlined the organizational process to make it easier and more attractive to host events in Clarington,” said Mayor Foster, Municipality of Clarington.

Frank Cowan Company is dedicated to assisting municipalities develop strong risk management practices., This award recognizes the advancements of the practice of risk management in the municipal sector.

“I would like to thank all who applied and congratulate the Municipality of Clarington on winning this award. This initiative demonstrates that meaningful risk management doesn’t have to be complicated or expensive. Strategic risk management can make a difference in helping to reduce claims and associated costs,” said Larry Ryan, President, Frank Cowan Company.

The award, valued at \$10,000, is open to every municipality in Canada. To qualify, a municipality needs to have recognized a risk within their operations and developed and successfully implemented a solution that prevents harm or injury to its assets or a third party. The risk management solution must also have the potential to be adopted by other municipalities.

As a Corporate Partner of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the *Excellence* in Municipal Risk Management Award will be presented each year at the FCM Sustainable Communities Conference and Trade Show.

Frank Cowan Company, a leader in municipal insurance for over eight decades, continues to invest heavily in its risk management program in an effort to help clients become more proactive and enabled. A solid risk management plan helps municipalities control costs associated with claims, litigation and expenses.

Within the past three years, Frank Cowan Company has initiated a GPS system, launched its Risk Management Centre of Excellence resource library and implemented a weather monitoring portal all in efforts to assist municipal clients with risk prevention.

Visit www.frankcowan.com for more information and to download a complete *Excellence* in Municipal Risk Management nomination package.

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Frank Cowan Company is a Canadian leader in providing specialized insurance programs, including risk management and claims services for municipalities and public service, healthcare, education, community, children’s and social service organizations across Canada. Proven industry knowledge, gained through over 87 years of partnering with insurance companies and independent brokers, gives Frank Cowan Company the ability to effectively manage the necessary risk, advisory and claims services for both standard and complex issues.

Frank Cowan Company’s head office is located in Princeton, Ontario with a branch office in Cambridge, Ontario. Clients and broker partners receive support out of both locations.

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