# **League Link**

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### **Executive Director's Report**



## **Advocacy Action**

### Pennsylvania Housing Survey

As you may know, the Shapiro Administration signed Executive Order 2024-03 in early September, directing DCED and DHS to develop a strategic housing plan for the state. The report is due to be

completed by fall 2025. Please find the Executive Order here.

DCED has created a housing survey to begin collecting data and public input. Please feel free to share this survey with any colleagues. The survey will be open until early 2025.



#### 2025 Local Government Center Awards For Local Government Excellence

Nominations for the 2025 Governor's Awards for Local Government Excellence are now open. Each year, the Governor's Awards for Local Government Excellence are presented to local government leaders who have demonstrated exceptional dedication to improving public services through innovative projects or initiatives. <u>Submit your nominations</u> for the 2025 Governor's Awards for Local Government Excellence now through January 15, 2025.

### League's Latest

On behalf of everyone at the Pennsylvania Municipal League, we'd like to thank all of those who attended, participated or presented at the 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Municipal Leadership Summit in Scranton — With nearly 350 attendees, including exhibitors, sponsors, and members of the Business Leaders Network, the event saw a marked increase in participation, demonstrating the continued relevance and importance of this gathering. A special thank you to the vendors, sponsors, and Business Leaders Network members for their support of the Summit. The list of sponsors can be found on The League's website under the Municipal Leadership Summit tab. We encourage everyone to engage with these partners and thank them for their continued generosity. We are already looking ahead to next year's Summit, which will be held in Erie, Pennsylvania, from October 1-4, 2025. Mark your calendars! Click on the below thumbnail to view the Summit Video and click here to view the Facebook album.

PA Construction Codes Academy Upcoming Class — (December 10-13, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.) NEC 101: National Electrical Codes Academy is designed for code officials, inspectors, contractors and design professionals, but is open to any interested party. This four-day course will provide an in-depth overview of the commercial aspects of the NEC.

**Municipal Reporter Article Topics** — We would love to feature your municipality in our very last remaining edition for 2024! Hopefully the upcoming theme of emergency management would make a great fit for your municipality.

1. December – Emergency Management; copy due date November 10 (deadline extended to Nov. 27)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Holli Hugenduber (<a href="https://hhugendubler@pml.org">hhugendubler@pml.org</a>) or Britton Kosier (<a href="https://hbusendubler@pml.org">hhugendubler@pml.org</a>), Communications Managers.

Be sure to fill out our <u>ARPA Investment Tracker</u> so we can share the great ways you are using your ARPA dollars with all members. Thank you!

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### **Resource Roundup**

FY 2024-25 PROTECT Federal Discretionary Opportunity NOW Open — please find the PennDOT grant alert for the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Discretionary Grant Program on the PennDOT IIJA site. The application deadline for the FY 2024-25 round of funding is February 24, 2025.

FY 2025 RAISE Federal Discretionary Opportunity NOW Open! — please find the PennDOT grant alert for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant

Program on the PennDOT IIJA site. The application deadline for the FY 2025 round of funding is

January 30, 2025. FY 2024 Projects of Merit are due December 2, 2024.

NLC, in collaboration with the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), is launching the #BuiltByBonds campaign — to undeniably demonstrate the importance of tax-exempt municipal bonds in every congressional district nationwide. Local officials can help educate Congress on this issue by populating this map using this form with one project that has been partially or fully funded through tax-exempt municipal bonds. The information on the map will allow congressional members and staff to search for projects financed with municipal bonds in their own state and congressional district.

Nominations for the 2025 Governor's Awards are now open — Do you have local government leaders in your community who demonstrate exceptional dedication to improving public services? Nominate them today. Nominations are open now through January 15, 2025.

<u>Call for Session Proposals is Open for #ICMA2025 | Tampa</u> — Share your expertise and submit your proposals by November 22.

2024 Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) DUE FEBRUARY 28, 2025 — In the FFY 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Notice of Funding Opportunities, recipients and subrecipients are required to complete the 2024 Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR), to benchmark and measure their progress of improving their cybersecurity posture. The 2024 NCSR is now open, complete the assessment at your earliest convenience. Email the Completion Certificate to our resource account at slcgp-pa@pa.gov. The NCSR is a no cost, anonymous, annual self- assessment that is designed to measure gaps and capabilities of state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) governments' cybersecurity programs. The 2024 NCSR is open to complete from October 1, 2024, to February 28, 2025.

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