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A Newsletter of [The Pennsylvania Municipal League](#)



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Executive Director's Report



Advocacy Action

The League's Spring District Meetings and Resolutions Process

As a member driven organization, it is important we hear from you to accurately represent your municipality's needs with the General Assembly.

Each spring, League members receive the opportunity to submit policy suggestions through resolutions, shaping The League's policy agenda. Simply propose a [policy resolution](#) during our district meetings and member appreciation tour in March and April. Resolutions adopted at the district level will go to the Annual Municipal Leadership Summit for consideration by the resolutions committee and full League membership. This is a very important process because it sets the future policy priorities and positions of The League.

View The League's [2024 adopted resolutions](#) as a sample to prepare for this year's district meetings. Please contact Kaitlin Errickson, Governmental Affairs Manager, at kerrickson@pml.org if you have any questions.

PennDOT Updates

2025 Public Comment Period for the 12-Year Plan is Open and

The State Transportation Commission (STC) and PennDOT are excited to announce the start of the 2025 Public Comment Period for the update of the 12-Year Program, which continues through April 30.

Please take a few minutes to complete PennDOT's [Transportation Survey](#), online or contact them at [717-783-2262](tel:717-783-2262) to request a paper copy or to complete the survey over the phone. You can also access PennDOT's [Online Toolkit](#), which serves as a resource to help share information and campaign materials.

2025 Transportation Performance Report

The STC recently released the 2025 [Transportation Performance Report](#) (TPR) which contains information about how Pennsylvania's transportation system performed over the last two years. We encourage you to read and share the report.

Register for Online Public Forum

PennDOT will host an Online Public Forum on Thursday, April 10, featuring a presentation from PennDOT Secretary of Transportation, Michael Carroll, as well as a live Q&A session with PennDOT personnel and STC members. Register for the forum today and submit your transportation questions for the Q&A session by filling out the [registration form](#) or emailing them to RA-PennDOTSTC@pa.gov.

League's Latest

Please welcome our newest members to The League – [Pittston Township, Luzerne County](#); [Sayre Borough, Bradford County](#); [Millersville Borough, Lancaster County](#); [Mount Pocono Borough, Monroe County](#); [New Hanover Township, Montgomery County](#), and [Mifflinburg Borough, Union County](#), Welcome aboard everyone!

Municipal Reporter Topics – We would love to feature your municipality in one of our upcoming editions! Below is our 2025 Publication Schedule for the remainder of the year and themes for each issue:

1. April – Civic Engagement; copy due date March 21 (*extended deadline*)
2. June – Sustainability; copy due date May 1
3. August – Business Leaders Network; copy due date July 1
4. October – The League's 125th Anniversary; copy due date September 1
5. December – Community Murals & Architecture; copy due date November 1

If you would like to provide an article in one or more of our *Municipal Reporter* editions, please contact Susan Schrack Wood, Director of Communications, at swood@pml.org.

The 43rd Annual PELRAS Conference, held at The Hershey Lodge and Convention Center from February 25-28 was a resounding success, drawing nearly 600 attendees from over 200 municipalities. The conference featured 55 sessions covering a wide range of labor relations topics, from disciplinary investigations to arbitration insights, all delivered by expert speakers. In addition, attendees benefited from extensive networking opportunities, fostering meaningful connections within the labor relations community. With overwhelmingly positive feedback and high levels of engagement, the event exceeded expectations, leaving participants eager for the 2026 conference, set to return to The Lodge next March.

PELRAS and Sustainability Fall Workshops – We’re excited to announce a new format for this year’s PELRAS Fall Workshops and Sustainability Fall Workshops! To make it more convenient for those interested in attending both events, we will be hosting them back-to-back at the same locations.

Workshop Schedule:

East (Reading, PA)

Sustainability Fall Workshop – September 9 (optional evening networking reception)

PELRAS Fall Workshop – September 10 (virtual option available)

West (Cranberry Twp, PA) – *Tentative*

Sustainability Fall Workshop – November 6 (optional evening networking reception)

PELRAS Fall Workshop – November 7

Stay tuned for more details, including registration information. We look forward to seeing you there!

In honor of The League's 125th Anniversary, we are holding a Member Appreciation Tour as part of our District Meetings. Our first stop is Carlisle! You can find the eight dates and locations of the meetings on the below link so save the dates! We will announce upcoming activities surrounding the 125th anniversary, update members on legislation, the Municipal Leadership Summit, and discuss programs and services. As always, these meetings serve as an important opportunity for members to introduce policy resolutions which may eventually come before voting delegates for approval as League policy in the following year. Also, elections are held for District Officers. Don't miss this year's celebration! [Click Here to Register!](#)

APMM Annual Conference – Don't miss your chance to register for the APMM Annual Conference, **Igniting Your Spark!**—registration closes May 5! Sign up by April 21 to receive a free copy of **Sparked** by Jonathan Fields, and get ready for inspiring sessions, exciting tours, and a powerful keynote from Dr. Katie Sandoe, The Sparkologist. Rooms are filling fast, so register today and spark your next big idea! [More information and registration can be found HERE.](#)

For more information, see our [News & Announcements and newsfeed](#) on our homepage.

Municipal Leadership Summit

CITY OF ERIE  OCTOBER 1-4, 2025



Summit Save the Date – The 2025 Municipal Leadership Summit – the premier event of the year for elected and appointed officials – is set for October 1-4 at the beautiful Bayfront Convention Center in Erie, PA! Get ready for professional development, networking, an inspiring awards breakfast, and a vibrant exhibit hall – all designed to help you lead your municipality with confidence and connection.

[Call for Speakers!](#) We're currently seeking dynamic speakers and engaging session ideas to round out this year's program. If you have valuable insights to share, we want to hear from you! Mark your calendar and stay tuned for more details.

JOIN US FOR THE LEAGUE'S
**MEMBER APPRECIATION
 TOUR** OF THE DISTRICT MEETINGS



Presenting Sponsor



March 18	Carlisle	April 16	Upper Darby Township
March 20	Altoona	May 5	St. Marys
April 9	Reading	May 7	Town of McCandless
April 15	Pittston	May 8	Greensburg

Register now at: my.pml.org

Spring 2025 Training Schedule



Courses & Webinars

MARCH

Unlocking Grant Success: Essential Skills for Winning Proposals
 March 26 / Virtual
 9 AM - Noon \$80

APRIL

Foundations of Municipal Purchasing & Bidding
 April 2 & 3 / Virtual
 9 AM - Noon Both Days \$80

NEW & FREE

Creating a Welcoming Environment for Everyone
 April 9 / Webinar
 9 AM - Noon No Cost

NEW & FREE

Building Bridges: The Common Ground Approach to Collaborative Relationships for Community Safety and Solutions
 April 15 / Webinar
 9 AM - Noon No Cost

The Governor's Center for
 Local Government Services

Audit Ready: Navigating Floodplain Audit Compliance
 April 16 / Virtual
 9 AM - Noon \$80

Fiscal Management Strategies for Local Government Officials
 April 21 & 22 / Virtual
 9 AM - Noon both days \$80

From Crisis to Control: Building Police Capacity for Emergency Situations
 April 30 / Virtual
 9 AM - Noon \$80

MAY

NEW AND IN-PERSON

Basic Computer Literacy: Understanding Microsoft, Google, and Cybersecurity
 May 1 / In-Person Harrisburg Area
 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM \$80

Municipal Money Matters: Local Government Accounting 101
 May 28 & 29 / Virtual
 9:00 AM - Noon \$80

JUNE

Tax Collectors Excel Workshop
 June 3 & 4 / Virtual
 9 AM - Noon both days \$80

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Pennsylvania
 Department of Community
 & Economic Development

www.PATrainingHub.org

2.12.2025

Unlocking Grant Success: Essential Skills for Winning Proposals

March 26 / Virtual

9 AM - Noon \$80

Topics:

- Introduction to Grant Writing
- Finding Funding Opportunities
- Proposal Development
- Grant Guidelines and Requirements
- Budget Preparation
- Submission Process
- Grant Management



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\$75
each

3 Continuing Education Credits
In Person

2 Electrical Update Classes

2021

Residential
Electrical
Update
Harrisburg, PA

March 21, 2025
8:30am-Noon



2020

National
Electrical
Update
Lancaster, PA

March 28, 2025
8:30am-Noon

www.PAConstructionCodesAcademy.org

Resource Roundup

[Shapiro Administration Invests \\$500,00 to Support Urban Farmers, Increase Availability of Fresh Food in Cities Across Pennsylvania](#) – Agriculture Secretary Russell Redding announced 21 Urban Agriculture Infrastructure Grants totaling \$502,140 to projects that help address long-standing challenges urban farmers face in growing local, farm-fresh produce in city neighborhoods in 10 counties across Pennsylvania.

PennDOT is happy to announce the opening of three additional NEVI-funded charging stations in Pennsylvania, bringing our total count of operational stations up to eight. For more information, you may view the [full press release here](#).

Remember, you can access all archived editions of The League Link as well as other member publications, forms and resources in your [Member Dashboard](#).



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