

Filling Our Shoes: Where will the next generation of local officials come from?

Tuesday, June 20, 2017 10:00 am – 11:30 am

We know that large numbers of Wisconsin's local officials are approaching an age where they'll be vacating their elected and appointed positions, in increasing numbers and with increasing frequency. The important task of finding and developing people to replace them is one every official—and every community resident—should be concerned about. Learn how Wisconsin's local government and related organizations are thinking about and preparing to meet this challenge.

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How to Use State Contracts for Local Government Purchasing

Tuesday, July 18, 2017 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Hundreds of State of Wisconsin contracts for the purchase of goods and services are available to county and municipal governments. Learn about how these competitively-bid contracts for items ranging from vehicles to consulting services to IT equipment may be used to control local expenses and provide quality services for residents.

Presented by James Langdon, Administrator, Division of Enterprise Operations, Wisconsin Department of Administration

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Please reserve the time in your schedule to get the benefit of attending with your colleagues statewide and hearing the answers to their questions, and they can benefit from hearing the answers to yours.

Cost

\$20. Attend one program by telephone during teleconference. The connection information will be sent by email and includes a link to the reference materials (PDF).

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Local Government Issues, Challenges, and Strategies

These programs cover current or emerging topics of interest to Wisconsin local governments. Each program will provide ample opportunity for participant questions and comments. Programs will be moderated by UW-Extension's Local Government Center staff.

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Voter Registration and I.D.

Tuesday, October 4, 2016
10:00 am – 11:30 am

As we look to the fall elections, there may be uncertainty about what laws, policies and procedures are in place that will affect voter registration and photo I.D. requirements. This is your opportunity to receive guidance directly from staff at the Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC) and get answers to your questions. WEC staff will also be providing an overview of municipal clerk tasks as they relate to the November election and beyond.

Presented by Allison Coakley, Elections Training Coordinator, Wisconsin Elections Commission

Broadband in Rural Wisconsin: Taking Steps Forward

Tuesday, November 15, 2016
10:00 am – 11:30 am

This session will provide an overview of broadband access, as well as efforts underway to increase not only access but adoption and utilization in rural Wisconsin. Also included will be a proposed framework to take action, examples of what communities are doing and efforts that have been funded by the Public Service Commission's (PSC) State Broadband Office.

Presented by Angie Dickinson, State Broadband Director, PSC

Mary Kluz, Community Development Specialist, UW-Extension's Broadband E-Commerce & Education Center

Maria Alvarez-Stroud, Director, UW-Extension's Broadband E-Commerce & Education Center

Assessing and Addressing Local Service Needs

Tuesday, December 20, 2016
10:00 am – 11:30 am

The provision of mandated, emergency, critical infrastructure, social, and other services is a central role of local government. Learn how demographic trends will shape demand for non-essential community services, as well as techniques local officials can use to better understand and plan for changing service needs.

*Presented by Dan Veroff, UW-Madison Applied Population Lab
Jon Hochkammer, Wisconsin Counties Association*

Fire and EMS Planning Amid Changing Demographics

Tuesday, January 17, 2017
10:00 am – 11:30 am

Local fire protection and emergency medical services are critical community services that Wisconsin residents count on. However, changing conditions relating to customers and service providers will have a significant impact on how these services are provided and funded. Learn what changing demographics service delivery challenges are revealing about how communities will need to plan for, fund, and deliver these critical services.

*Presented by Dan Veroff, UW-Madison Applied Population Lab
Jim Case, Assistant Chief, Wauwatosa Fire Department
Jon Hochkammer, Wisconsin Counties Association*

Cybersecurity

Tuesday, February 21, 2017
10:00 am – 11:30 am

We read almost daily reports about sensitive computer information being lost or leaked. Data breaches come in many forms—stolen laptops, misrouted emails, careless website updates, employee error, viruses and hackers, to name a few. Participants in this session will learn from the experts about the common threats and steps you can take to protect yourself and your government's computer systems.

*Presented by John Dirkse, Executive Vice President, Aegis Corporation, General Administrator of the Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Corporation
Eduard Goodman, Chief Privacy Officer IDT911
Bill Kriese, Marketing Relationship Manager, Rural Mutual Insurance Company*

Managing Public Records

Tuesday, March 21, 2017
10:00 am – 11:30 am

Access to Public Records is an accepted part of Wisconsin local government. This session will consider the legal and practical concerns of maintenance and storage of public records. Learn what the law requires for preserving public records and what records may be destroyed. Also discover how these legal requirements affect electronically created and stored public records, including when an electronic record can be deemed the original record.

Presented by Holly Wilson, J.D. of Stafford & Rosenbaum, LLC

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Manure Management: Issues for Local Officials

Tuesday, April 18, 2017
10:00 am – 11:30 am

This session will provide an overview of key issues for local officials related to production, transport, and field application of manure. Topics addressed will include farm manure management systems, transport and roadway issues, and public health concerns.

*Presented by Ken Genskow, UW-Madison Dept. of Urban and Regional Planning
Kevin Erb, UW-Extension Environmental Resources Center
Becky Larson, UW-Madison Dept. of Biological Systems Engineering
Cheryl Skolaas, UW Center for Agricultural Safety and Health*

Road and Transportation Funding

Tuesday, May 16, 2017
10:00 am – 11:30 am

We are a state, like many, with an economy that relies heavily on the condition of our roads and transportation system. Representatives from the state's major local government associations will lead a discussion during this program about some of the strategies that could be employed to best address the lack of funding for the state's roadway system. While not a new issue, the absence of strategies and solutions will be felt for years to come.

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