

December 2016

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

Please consult the League [Web Calendar](#)

[Dec 2-
The Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Person Act and Land
Use Decisions in NJ Webinar-Your Computer](#)

[Dec 7-
Transforming Underused Downtown Commercial Space Webinar-Your
Computer](#)

[Jan 7-
Orientation for Newly Elected, Re-elected, and Experienced Municipal
Officials-Hilton Hotel, East Rutherford](#)

[Jan 19-Brownfield Funding Sources: A Look at Where to Find Them
and How To Utilize Them Webinar- Your Computer](#)

[Jan 28-
Orientation for Newly Elected, Re Elected, and Experienced Municipal
Officials-Hotel ML, Mount Laurel](#)

[Jan 30-Siting for Wireless Facilities in the Rights-of-Way: Challenges
for Municipalities Webinar- Your Computer](#)

[Feb 8-
25th Annual Mayors Legislative Day-Statehouse Annex, Trenton](#)

[Feb 24-
A Quick Review of Budget and Audit Updates Webinar-Your Computer](#)

[Mar 1-
Budget, Ethics, and DLGS Updates on Best Practices and
Procurement-Conference Center at Mercer, West Windsor](#)

[Mar 4-
Budgeting for Elected Officials-Conference Center at Mercer, West
Windsor](#)

- ✓ Thank You Conference Volunteers
- ✓ Retain Conference Information Digitally
- ✓ Newly Elected Orientation
- ✓ Mayors Legislative Day
- ✓ Budgeting For Elected Officials

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Mayor Albert B. Kelly, President

I want to thank all of you for your vote of confidence in my ability to serve as President of your League of Municipalities.

I'm honored to preside over an organization that has weathered the storms of 101 years, an association that unites Democrats, Republicans and Independents, an institution that serves the interests of cities, suburbs and rural communities, an enterprise that continues to find new ways to help New Jersey's local leaders better serve their hometowns and their hometown neighbors.

At the same time, I'm humbly aware that you expect me to preserve that resilience, the unity, that consistent record of steady service and of prudent progress.

Despite the odds against it, the League has only been able to protect and promote the principles of local self-government by continually relying on its members for ideas and action. Throughout its history, our League has always known, and always shown, when New Jersey local leaders put their differences aside and focus on their common problems and opportunities, nothing is impossible.

During my year as President, I will rely on all of you for your support and counsel. I know how much you appreciate the importance of municipal government. I know you are dedicated to preserving the vital life-enhancing and life-sustaining programs and services that can best be delivered by municipal governments – effectively, efficiently and economically.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE CONTINUED

And I know how you value the part played by the League in representing your interests in the Statehouse and in supplying the information and analysis to help you to better serve your neighbors, at home.

We all work individually to protect the interests of our fellow citizens. And we become active in the League of Municipalities so that we can work together to protect their interests, also.

I hope that this year I am able to continue the standard of service set by my predecessor and friend, Mayor Joe Tempesta of West Caldwell. Mayor Tempesta recognized the diversity of municipalities in this State and what can be the diversity of our interests, but he always emphasized the need for unity in action on key public policies. As has been said before, unity in action and the active participation of more and more friends of local government are the only tools that we can use to build a better New Jersey.

The League has been blessed by a series of great leaders and I salute all of our Past Presidents for their leadership, integrity, intelligence and skill. I also want to thank all the Members of our Executive Board with whom I have served and on whom I will continue to rely for support and wise counsel.

I thank you, again, for calling me to the office. And I urge all of you to continue to support the League and to get more involved. One finger cannot lift a pebble. But together, we just might be able to raise high the hopes of all our colleagues in local government for a better future for our neighbors and for our children.

Let's get to work.

THANK YOU CONFERENCE VOLUNTEERS

-Contact Michael Darcy ext. 116 or mdarcy@njslom.org

Many conference delegates wonder how the League is able to conduct the country's largest municipal conference with a full time staff of just 18. The answer is you! In the back of the conference program, you will see a listing of mayors who served on various committees. Although the list is extensive, it cannot possibly include all the mayors who work to make our conference successful every year. Mayors play an integral role by helping to produce sessions, moderating, working on committees, and auditing important sessions. Your dedicated service enables nearly 17,000 attendees to come together for one week of invaluable learning and networking each year. Thank you for making the 101st Annual Conference a great success.

RETAIN CONFERENCE INFORMATION DIGITALLY

View the [interactive online floor plan](#) and a searchable exhibitor directory. Files of speakers' power point presentations can be downloaded after the conference from the League conference web page via the link: <http://www.njslom.org/2016conf/index.html>

SEMINAR FOR NEWLY ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED OFFICIALS

-Contact Danielle Holland-Htut ext. 118 or dholland@njslom.org

Every year the League offers this important program in two locations throughout the state to help serve the needs of municipal officials who are new to their positions or want a timely update on issues. Each seminar includes a special luncheon, open forum discussion, designed to specifically update and answer questions from newly elected officials. Attend these programs and get the information and answers you need about your new responsibilities. See the calendar on the top of the newslines or, the calendar on our web site for locations.

**ATTEND THE 25th ANNUAL
MAYORS LEGISLATIVE DAY**

-Contact Danielle Holland-Htut ext. 118 or dholland@njslom.org

Be sure to register for the 25th Annual Mayors Legislative Day to be held February 8, 2017 at the State House Annex in Trenton. This is a great way to kick off your administration by hearing about the State's legislative agenda from the Governor, Administration officials, and key members of the Senate and Assembly. For more information please click on the following link: <http://www.njslom.org/seminar-documents/2017-feb08-legislative-day.html>

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE "BUDGETING FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIAL: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO CREATE, BALANCE, AND APPROVE YOUR MUNICIPALITY'S BUDGET" SEMINAR

--Contact Danielle Holland-Htut ext. 118 or dholland@njslom.org

Creating and approving a feasible budget is one of the most important tasks of an Elected Official. It is also one of the most complex and time consuming tasks. To aid in this endeavor, the League has created a special half day program geared towards Elected Officials to help them in the Municipal Budgeting Process. The program will take place on Saturday, March 4, 2017, at the Conference Center at Mercer. Additional program details and registration fees are available at: <http://www.njslom.org/seminar-documents/2017-budget.html>