

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

Please consult the League [Web Calendar](#)

Feb 24-

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

Mar 9-

[Budget, Ethics, and Procurement Updates Webinar-Your Computer](#)

Mar 11-

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

Mar 17-

[Municipal Employee Discipline Webinar-Your Computer-Coming Soon](#)

Mar 29-

[28th Annual Mayors Legislative Day-Statehouse Annex, Trenton](#)

- ✓ Local Government Week
- ✓ 28th Mayors Legislative Day
- ✓ 2023 Municipal Directory
- ✓ Budgeting for Elected Officials
- ✓ Local Government Leadership Program
- ✓ NJ Municipalities Magazine
- ✓ Mayors Newslines Reformat

FROM THE PRESIDENT

*Mayor Raymond S. Heck
Millstone Borough*

As mayors, we have a serious responsibility to lead our communities and indeed our state during difficult times. Our constituents, citizens, and neighbors look to us as the headlines trumpet fear of foreclosure, and the need for major restructuring of our public finances. And as mayors, we can count on the League to help us respond to these major public policy questions.

The League has many resources available with valuable information that is needed. Visit [our website](#) where you can find links to our Bureau of Municipal Information, Important Issue Alerts, a full listing of League Committees, and Grant application information. You can also order various publications on several different topics such as Police and Fire Salary Survey and a Newly Elected Officials Handbook.

The League is also hosting the [28th Annual Mayors Legislative Day](#) on March 29, 2023. This event will feature speakers from the Governor's Cabinet as well as a Legislative panel with members of the Legislature.

All this information and effort is only a start. Your voice and action will make the difference on these issues. So please review the information available and resolve to make your voice heard by your legislators, and by the League.

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Planning for NJ Local Government Week: Showcase your Municipality!

Contact Taran Samhammer, ext. 124 or tsamhammer@njlm.org

Have you started planning events for NJ Local Government week, April 16-22, 2023? Need tips on how to celebrate? Visit the League's website for a "how to" packet with ideas ranging from basic, no cost activities to some that are more complex.

Be sure to tag your social media posts with #njlocalgovt, and utilize the NJ Local Government Week logo that the League has provided by downloading from the League website.

Visit the [League website](#) for tips, suggestions and a logo created to help promote your events.

Attend the 28th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day

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

Register now for the 28th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day to be held March 29, 2023 at the State House Annex in Trenton. Hearing about the State's legislative agenda from the Governor, Administration officials, and key members of the Senate and Assembly is a great way to kick off your administration. For more information, please visit the [Legislative Day Calendar announcement](#) on the League Website.

2023 Municipal Directory

Contact Dee Kotch at ext. 115 or dkotch@njlm.org

The annual Municipal Directory will be mailed to all mayors the first week of March. There is no cost for the first copy. Additional print and PDF copies are \$35 each for public officials and \$45 each for non-public officials. Use it to keep in touch with your colleagues around the state.

Don't Miss "Budgeting for the Elected Official: Everything You Need to Know to Create, Balance, and Approve Your Municipality's Budget" Webinar

Contact Danielle Holland-Htut, Ext. 118, or dholland@njlm.org

Creating and approving a feasible budget is one of the most important tasks on an elected official's long list of responsibilities. 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 toward Elected Officials to help them in the municipal budgeting process.

The program will take place on Saturday, March 11, 2023, at the Conference Center at Mercer. Additional program details and registration fees are available on the [Budgeting for Elected Officials Calendar Announcement](#).

Become a Municipal Pioneer! Be a Part of the Local Government Leadership Program

The League is proud to offer a voluntary recognition program that recognizes Elected Governing Body Members who complete additional training and advocacy. The program has three tiers: Municipal Leader, Municipal Innovator, and Municipal Pioneer. Each tier has an assigned number of points. Once an Elected Governing Body Member has earned the required points, they are awarded one of these tiers. The award is a certificate of completion mailed to them and recognition at the Orientation Session at the Annual Conference.

Elected Governing Body Members can achieve each level by attending trainings, seminars, writing articles for the magazine, and advocating for municipal interests. When an Elected Governing Body

Member has completed an eligible activity, they will receive confirmation indicating the points earned. Once an Elected Governing Body Member has acquired the necessary number of points, they complete an online application form and receive a Local Government Leader certificate in the mail.

At the Orientation session at the Annual League Conference in November, they will be recognized (Officials who submit application forms after September 1 will be recognized at the next year's Conference).

More information on this program is available on the [Local Government Leadership Program webpage](#).

Winter & Spring Opportunities for Inclusion in NJ Municipalities Magazine

Contact Amy Spiezio at aspiezio@njlm.org or Tasneem Kapadia at tkapadia@njlm.org

The League's official publication, NJ Municipalities magazine, is preparing content and advertising for its winter and spring 2023 issues. We welcome you to pitch your op-ed columns, local governing stories, news items, and feature-length pieces that celebrate and inspire local officials for inclusion in upcoming editions.

In each issue, the magazine provides insights on a variety of topics of interest to local governments and puts a spotlight on particular topics that are currently trending. Please visit the League's website for author guidelines or a full rundown of issue spotlights. Or reach out to Managing Editor Amy Spiezio at aspiezio@njlm.org.

If you and other officials within your municipality don't subscribe to *NJ Municipalities*, please visit the magazine bookshelf to check out the useful information included in each issue and consider adding this publication to your municipal government toolkit.

Do you work with vendors that you would recommend to other municipalities? Let these vendors know about the League's magazine, *NJ Municipalities*. Placing advertisements in the magazine helps to increase the reach of their marketing messages and supports the League as an organization in the process. Reach out to Tasneem Kapadia at tkapadia@njlm.org with your vendors' mailing address and we will send them a sample issue.

Mayors Newsline Reformat

Starting in April 2023 we will be relaunching the Mayors Newsline. This new piece will feature not just general information for Mayors but also legislative updates, featured magazine articles, seminar highlights, and much more! Stay tuned for the relaunch!