

March 2019

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

Please consult the League [Web Calendar](#)

March 2

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

March 6

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

March 13

[The New Jersey Minimum Wage Increase: What It Means for NJ Employers Webinar- Your Computer](#)

March 19

[Budget, Ethics, and Procurement Update-Conference Center at Mercer, West Windsor](#)

March 27

[Medical Marijuana: What Public Employers Need to Know in New Jersey-DoubleTree Hotel, Tinton Falls](#)

April 5

[27th Annual Mayors Legislative Day-Statehouse Annex, Trenton](#)

April 24

[Labor and Personnel Law Update-DoubleTree Hotel, Tinton Falls](#)

- ✓ Mayors' Roundtable Events
- ✓ Louis Bay 2nd Scholarship
- ✓ Claim Your CEU's
- ✓ 27th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day
- ✓ 2019 Municipal Directory
- ✓ Budgeting for Elected Officials
- ✓ NJLM Helps Mayors Access State & Agency Leaders
- ✓ National Service Recognition Day

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Mayor Colleen Mahr, Borough of Fanwood

The first quarter of 2019 has been quite eventful. We have seen a New Jersey Minimum Wage increase, expansion of Paid Family Leave; calls for legalization of Marijuana, and more.

With all that is happening, I urge you to continue to lead your communities through these challenges to a better future. I urge you to find creative ways to respond to the needs of your citizens, especially those most at risk.

One of the ways to help your municipalities is to attend our 27th Mayors' Legislative Day, scheduled for Friday, April 5, at the Statehouse Annex. This event will feature speakers from the Governor's Cabinet and the State Legislature such as Lieutenant Governor Sheila Y. Oliver, Senate President Stephen Sweeney, and Assembly Republican Leader Jon Bramnick. To find out more about Mayors' Legislative Day, visit the [calendar announcement](#) on the League website.

Please join us for this important program and take the opportunity to network with your peers and discover new solutions to the problems your Municipality faces.

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Mayors Roundtable Events on Cannabis and Affordable Housing

Contact Michael Darcy, ext. 116, mdarcy@njlm.org

The League is proud to present a Mayors' Roundtable discussion on the topics of Affordable Housing and Cannabis. These topics will be the focus of moderated discussions involving your questions, presentations by helpful experts, and status review of legislation. The topics will be the same at each of the three dates and locations. The moderated discussions and presentations will focus on your concerns,

Cannabis

The League has not taken a position on legalization but has done significant research on municipal experiences in other states. See what other states' facilities look like and learn how other communities have been impacted by this new industry. Get your questions answered and take important information back to your residents and governing body. Gain an understanding of how other municipalities are planning to address this new industry and how the State plans to regulate it.

Affordable Housing

No two communities' solutions to housing needs are the same. Learn from the variety of approaches that have been implemented. Understand the current situation in various parts of the state and learn where legislative efforts may be focused.

Dates for Roundtable Events:

Saturday, April 13, 2019, East Rutherford

Tuesday, April 16, 2019, Mount Laurel

Monday, April 29, 2019, Princeton

The events will run 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Registration **is required** for these events. Registration information along with locations and registration fees will be forthcoming via the [League website](#).

Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders Scholarship Competition

Contact Michael Darcy, ext. 116, mdarcy@njlm.org

In January, the League mailed information to all mayors concerning the Annual Louis Bay 2nd Future Municipal Leaders Scholarship Competition. League 3rd Vice President William J. Chegwidan, Mayor of Wharton Borough, chairs the Scholarship Competition. This popular competition is open to all high school juniors and seniors throughout the state. The top three winners each receive \$1,000 scholarships from the League.

Mayors play an integral role in the success of this program because your offices publicize the competition, judges the local entries, and distributes the checks and certificates supplied by the League. Currently, you should be publicizing the scholarship to your local schools and establishing your judging committee. Your local winning entry must be submitted to the League office by April 2 and we will announce the three statewide winners by May 6.

Claim Your CEU's from the 103rd Annual Conference

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

Please remind your licensed officials that the deadline to claim CEU credits from the 103rd Annual Conference is May 1, 2019. To claim credits, licensed officials should visit the [CEU Tracking page](#) on the League website.

Attend the 27th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day
Contact Danielle Holland-Htut, ext. 118, or dholland@njlm.org

Register now for the 27th Annual Mayors' Legislative Day to be held April 5, 2019, at the State House Annex in Trenton. This is a great way to ignite 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 visit the [Legislative Day Calendar announcement](#) on the League website.

2019 Municipal Directory
Contact Dee Kotch, 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 copies are \$30 each and PDF copies are \$49. Use it to keep in touch with your colleagues around the state.

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@njlm.org

Creating and approving a feasible budget is one of the most important tasks for 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 toward Elected Officials to help them in the Municipal Budgeting Process. The program will take place on Saturday, March 2, 2019, at the Conference Center at Mercer. Additional program details and registration fees are available on the [Budgeting for Elected Officials Calendar Announcement](#).

NJLM Helps Mayors Access State & Agency Leaders
Contact Michael Cerra, ext. 120, or mcerra@njlm.org

If you need help accessing state leaders and agencies contact the League. Your staff in Trenton interacts daily with all State leaders and agencies and regularly facilitates mayors' communication in our Capital.

National Service Recognition Day

On National Service Recognition Day, thousands of local leaders take time to honor AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers by participating in recognition events, issuing official proclamations, and taking to social media in a nationwide show of appreciation. The sixth-annual National Service Recognition Day will take place on Tuesday, April 2, 2019. This initiative is led by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, and Cities of Service.

Mayors and city leaders, county officials, and tribal leaders across the country are using national service more and more to solve their community's toughest challenges. CNCS, America's leader in volunteering and service efforts, engages over 325,000 AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers in national service at more than 50,000 locations each year. Through partnerships with schools, faith-based groups, non-profits, and local agencies, national service members are embedded within the communities they serve, using their ingenuity and training to make a tangible, lasting impact. Whether responding to natural disasters, tackling the opioid epidemic, educating students for the 21st century workforce, or supporting veterans and military families, AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers help local leaders make their communities stronger.

If you're a local leader, get involved! To register or learn more, please visit the [National Service Recognition Day website](#).