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Welcome to the PSATS Morning News.

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PSATS Training Format Changing Due to Governor's COVID Order

Due to Gov. Wolf's recent order capping indoor gatherings at 25 people, PSATS has made the decision to convert its upcoming Regional Forums, affiliate seminars, and certain other offerings to virtual training. Published dates will remain the same, but we expect to add more dates to break up one-day training into more manageable segments over several days. More details will be available at the registration sites noted so please check there for additional dates. Any regular in-person classes such as flagger training, budget courses, and the like, will be capped at 25 participants.

In-person Classroom Based

[Flagger Training - 8/12/20 - Huntingdon County](#)

[Flagger Training - 8/14/20 - Beaver County](#)

Virtual Classroom

[The Township Role In Emergency Management - Virtual Training - 7/21/20](#)

[PSATS' Regional Forum - Erie County - 7/29-30/20](#)

[PSATS Summer/Fall 2020 QuickBooks Series 7/30 - 12/17/2020](#)

[QuickBooks Q&A 7/30/2020](#)

[CDL - Probable Cause Training For CDL Supervisory Personnel - Virtual Training - 8/4/20](#)

[PSATS' Regional Forum - Lycoming County - 8/13/20](#)

Webinars

Note: These Webinars are Eligible for the Webinar PowerPass.

[Webinar - RoadResource.Org - Get The Most Out Of It For Township Roads - 7/22/20](#)

[Webinar - Stormwater Management For Residential Developments - 7/29/20](#)

[Webinar - Creating An Affordable Retirement Plan - 7/29/20 \(MEMBERS ONLY\)](#)

[Webinar - Don't Wait: How To Prepare Now For The Next Crisis - 8/5/20](#)

[Webinar - How To Manage Utilities In ROWs In 2020 - 8/12/20](#)

Virtual Conference Workshop

Note: These Virtual Conference Workshops are Eligible for the Virtual Conference Workshop Access Pass.

To access all virtual conference workshops, [click here](#).

[Township Gatherings And Special Events - Virtual - 7/20/20](#)

[Under Fire: Trends In Zoning And Validity Challenges - Virtual - 7/20/20](#)

[PA 811 - Compliance Execution And New PUC Requirements - Virtual - 7/23/20](#)

[Get The Dirt: Zoning, Subdivision & Land Development Basics - Virtual - 7/23/20](#)

[Posting Local Roads For Infrastructure Preservation & Safety - Virtual - 07/24/2020](#)

[Taking The Politics Out Of Paving - Virtual - 7/27/20](#)

[U.S. Army Corps Of Engineers' Technical Assistance Programs - Virtual - 7/27/20](#)

[Understanding Your Community's Stormwater Obligations - Virtual - 7/29/20](#)

[Suburban Homestead: Best Practices And Management - Virtual - 7/30/20](#)

[Addressing The Unaddressable - How To Resolve Difficult Parcels - Virtual - 7/30/20](#)

[Temporary Traffic Control Planning And Deployment - Virtual - 07/31/2020](#)

[An Update On The Right-To-Know Law - Virtual - 8/3/20](#)

[Procurement Best Practices For Proven Results - Virtual - 8/3/20](#)

[What Has Your Building Code Official Done For You Lately? - Virtual - 8/6/20](#)

[Meet Pollutant Reduction Goals With Floodplain Restoration - Virtual - 8/6/20](#)

[Cable Franchising In The Wake Of The FCC's 2019 Order - Virtual - 8/10/20](#)

[Establish "Street Cred" With GPS Database Management - Virtual - 8/10/20](#)

[Transparency & Communication In Local Government - Virtual - 8/12/20](#)

[Keeping Your Township Out Of Headlines: Tips To Avoid Fraud - Virtual - 8/13/20](#)

[The PUC And Your Municipality - Virtual - 8/13/20](#)

For full list of webinars and classes please visit <https://learn.psats.org>.

Latest News



PSATS Asks Governor to Provide Direct Grants to Municipalities for COVID-19 Expenses

PSATS has requested that Gov. Tom Wolf direct the state Department of Community and Economic Development to create a CARES PLUS Municipal Grant process for municipalities that, through no fault of their own, are unable to access CARES funding through their county. The request is for a direct grant program so that townships may recover costs of keeping their employees and residents safe during this challenging time. We will keep you posted of any response. To view the letter, [click here](#).

Commonwealth Removes Delaware from Quarantine Advisory

The commonwealth has removed Delaware from the list of states that Pennsylvania residents are urged to quarantine for 14 days upon their return. To view the advisory and the full list of states on the advisory, [click here](#).

Labor and Industry Releases June Unemployment Numbers

The state Department of Labor and Industry announced that Pennsylvania's unemployment rate for June fell to 13 percent, down four-tenths of a percentage point. Pennsylvania's total non-farm jobs were up by 231,500 over the month, the largest single-month increase on record. The largest gain was in leisure and hospitality. Pennsylvania has recovered nearly 40 percent of the total non-farm jobs lost in March and April. [Click here](#) to learn more.

PA Cases Pass 100,000; Hospitalizations of COVID-19 Rise

The statewide COVID case total has passed 100,000 and now stands at 101,027. Resident and staff cases in nursing homes and personal care facilities continue to be about 22 percent of total cases, while deaths of residents of these facilities remains more than two-thirds of the state's total of 7,015 deaths. [Read full story](#).

[Census Bureau Begins Door-to-Door Canvassing in Pennsylvania](#)

The U.S. Census Bureau will begin knocking on doors this week in Pennsylvania. The Census has a map showing the counties that will see masked workers, from McKean County to Susquehanna County and south to Somerset, Bedford, and Fulton counties.

[Read full story.](#)

[Governor Creates State Law Enforcement Citizen Advisory Commission](#)

Gov. Tom Wolf has signed an executive order creating the Pennsylvania State Law Enforcement Citizen Advisory Commission. The goal is to improve policing practices under the governor's jurisdiction, including the Pennsylvania State Police, by examining events and conducting reviews of policies, practices, and procedures. The commission will not have jurisdiction over local law enforcement. To learn more, **[click here.](#)**

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