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Township Video News



We bet you know someone or some township that's done something extra special. Why not nominate them for a PSATS award? (1:38)

Latest News

Township Supervisors Receive 2020 Governor's Awards for Local Government Excellence

Yesterday, the state Department of Community and Economic Development recognized municipalities and local government officials for their dedication and commitment to strengthen their communities and better serve their residents.

The following township supervisors were recognized: Michael E. Keller, former supervisor and PSATS Board member, Fox Township, Elk County, and Stephen Hurni, supervisor of Plainfield Township, Northampton County, and immediate past president of the PA Association of Councils of Government. For the full list of award recipients, [click here](#).

“At DCED, we often say that Pennsylvania is the best place in the world to live, work, and play—and that’s because of our local communities,” said Secretary of Community and Economic Development Dennis Davin. “These projects represent what is best about Pennsylvania — our resilience, creativity, and strength. From combating blight to promoting healthy lifestyles and helping those at risk for hunger, to using technology to improve government services, to fighting the opioid epidemic — these are just some of the ways our community leaders are giving back, and we are proud to commend them all for those efforts.”

Virtual Summit Scheduled for PennDOT “Every Day Counts”

The Every Day Counts Round Six Summit will be held virtually December 8-10 beginning live each day at 1 p.m. The seven innovations featured during the summit include strategies to increase engagement with people, new applications of products to preserve and repair infrastructure, and improved processes to save time on project delivery and incident management. The event will feature an Innovation Showcase Pavilion that will highlight ideas under development across the country. [Click here](#) to learn more or to register. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Every Day Counts program.

Reminder: FEMA Accepting Applications for Supplemental Firefighter Grants

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is providing a second opportunity for both volunteer and combination volunteer/paid fire departments to apply for \$31 million in funding under the Fiscal Year 2020 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. FEMA will directly award funding for personal protective equipment and other supplies to support COVID-19 response.

FEMA is accepting applications until **November 13, 2020**. Fire departments that already applied or received funding in this round are eligible to apply again. Please note that you must submit a new application for this round of funding. [Click here](#) for more information. [Click here](#) to apply.

Learn

[Webinar - Analyze Your Curves - Township Roads And Warning Signs - 10/28/20](#)

Are you sure which of your township roads have curves that require warning signs? Did your township comply with its obligations to implement the new requirements in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices requirements by December 31, 2019? In this webinar, Joseph Fiocco, P.E., PTOE with SAFE Highway Engineering will cover the MUTCD requirements, with a particular focus on the requirement to conduct an evaluation of roads to determine which curves require warning signs. This course is eligible for 1 PMGA Public Works Point. [Click here](#) to register.

[CDL - Probable Cause Training For CDL Supervisory Personnel - Virtual Training - 11/3/20](#)

Participants will learn what to do if they suspect or verify that a CDL employee is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol while on duty. Each attendee will receive a comprehensive student handout packet containing relevant instructional material. Each participant who completes the workshop will receive a certificate of attendance at supervisory personnel training for permanent retention in their employer's files. This training is required at least once for all personnel who have any supervisory responsibilities for CDL employees. All your CDL and CMV employees will benefit from attending this workshop. Eligible for 3 PMGA Public Works points. [Click here](#) to register.

[2020 Virtual Fall Solicitors Seminar - 11/10/20](#)

In the Solicitors (Virtual) Fall Seminar, learn from experts on a wide variety of topics from the comfort of your office or home. Eligible for 5 CLE credits and/or 5 Administrative PMGA points. [Click here](#) to register.



[CMV/CDL Records Management - Virtual Training - 11/10/20](#)

This virtual training workshop will review CMV/CDL employee and vehicle paperwork, including pre-employment inquiries regarding a CDL applicant's records in the FMCSA Clearinghouse; requests for CMV driver's license information from PennDOT; annually reviewing each CDL drivers records in the Clearinghouse; CMV daily vehicle inspection, maintenance, and repair reports; the employer's required policy on CDL drug and alcohol testing; and a general overview of all the CDL regulations. This class is eligible for 3 PMGA Public Works points. [Click here](#) to register.

[Webinar - New PENNVEST Financing Opportunities - 11/24/20](#)

Is your township looking for funding for water/sewer projects? In this webinar, you will learn about how PENNVEST has improved its funding methods to better accommodate all water quality projects and practices. Eligible for 1 PMGA Public Works Point. [Click here](#) to register.



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