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Township Video News



TVN's Question of the Week | Are American Rescue Plan funds used for pay taxable?

Find out whether American Rescue Plan funds you used to provide premium pay to in-person employees during the pandemic are taxable. Also, [click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week. (0:59)

Latest News

FEMA 2021 Mitigation Grants Available; LOI Due to PEMA October 15

Townships may apply for two funding programs from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA): the Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities (BRIC) grants and the Flood Mitigation Assistance grants.

Please note: If your township is interested in applying for either of these grants, you must send a non-contractual letter of interest (LOI) form to the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) at RA-Shazmitoff@pa.gov by 5 p.m. **October 15, 2021**. The LOI form can be found [here](#). Also, your final and complete 2021 non-disaster grant application must be sent to PEMA by 5 p.m. **November 19, 2021**.

To learn more about the BRIC program, [click here](#). To learn more about the Flood Mitigation program, [click here](#).

Reminder: Grant Applications for ATV or Snowmobile Projects Due September 30

The state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Bureau of Recreation and Conservation is accepting applications for the All-Terrain Vehicle and Snowmobile Program's fall grant round until **4 p.m. on Thursday, September 30**. Grant money is awarded for projects proposing land acquisition, planning, development, rehabilitation, maintenance, equipment purchases, and educational programs for ATV or snowmobile trails and facilities.

For assistance, contact the department's Grants Customer Service Center at (800) 326-7734, DCNR-Grants@pa.gov. [Click here](#) for more information and to apply.

One month to go! Be sure to join us in Hershey for PSATS' Centennial Celebration Dinner, which takes place in just 4 weeks! [Click here](#) to learn more and to register!

Today in History...

On September 16, 1620, the *Mayflower* sails from Plymouth, England, bound for the Americas with 102 passengers. The ship was headed for Virginia, where the colonists—half religious dissenters and half entrepreneurs—had been authorized to settle by the British crown. However, stormy weather and navigational errors forced the *Mayflower* off course, and on November 21 the "Pilgrims" reached Massachusetts, where they founded the first permanent European settlement in New England in late December.

Learn

PSATS educational events will be listed as follows: Mondays – All webinars; Tuesdays – Administrative; Wednesdays – Planning/Zoning; Thursdays – Public Works; Fridays – Public Safety.

2021 PSATS Stormwater Conference PSATS Stormwater Conference events are now Virtual!

The scheduled topics address a number of activities for which municipal American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds could be used. Make sure to attend any of these sessions to be in a better position to help your municipal clients evaluate how to invest their ARP dollars in an eligible category.

[September 21 – “Policy” Track](#)
[September 22 – “Technical” Track](#)
[September 29 – “Policy” Track](#)



Flagger Training

This instructor-led flagger training will be conducted for individuals who have flagging responsibilities on ANY ROAD OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

[9/29/21 - Clearfield County](#)



2021 Engineers Fall Seminar

This full-day seminar is designed to meet the educational interests and busy schedules of consulting engineers by providing a focused overview of important issues of interest to municipal engineers and their local government clients.

[9/28/21 - East](#)
[10/14/21 - Central](#)
[10/21/21 - Southeast](#)

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CDL - Probable Cause Training for CDL Supervisory Personnel - Virtual Training

This workshop addresses these federal requirements by providing supervisory personnel with a working understanding of the federal CDL regulations, including on-the-job probable cause procedures.

[10/26/21](#)



CMV/CDL Records Management - Virtual Training

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.

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