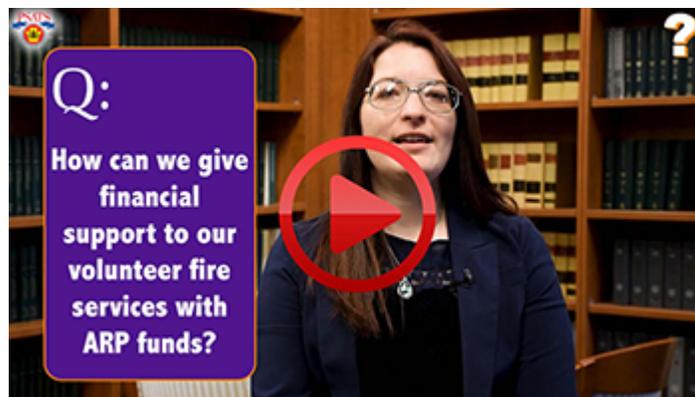


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Township Video News



TVN's Question of the Week | How can we give financial support to our volunteer fire services with ARP funds?

Yes! Learn about how ARP funds can be shared with volunteer services in your township. The township will need proper documentation of these expenses from fire company records before donations are made. Funds can only be used to offset the negative impact for non-profits organized under a 501(c)(3). If your township uses ARP funds for lost revenues to make a donation, these restrictions do not apply as the lost revenue category can be used for most government purposes, which include supporting a volunteer fire department. [Click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week!

Latest News

Have a New Supervisor? Let PSATS Know

Township secretaries and managers: Do you have a new supervisor elected last week? Please send in names and home addresses of newly elected supervisors to PSATS as soon as possible. We would like to update our records and ensure that newly elected folks are eligible for township member discounts. Changes can be sent to memberservices@psats.org.

Commonwealth Outlines Pennsylvania's Expected Share of Federal Infrastructure Funds

Gov. Tom Wolf outlined Pennsylvania's expected share of the new federal infrastructure package. Here are the highlights, based on historic formula funding:

- \$11.3 billion for federal-aid highways and \$1.6 billion for bridge infrastructure.
- \$100 million minimum to provide high-speed internet access and lower prices for service.
- \$1.5 billion for drinking water, including the elimination of lead pipes.
- \$75 million to protect against droughts, heat, floods, and wildfires, as well as weatherization.
- \$2.8 billion for mass transit.
- \$355 million for airports.
- \$171 million for electric vehicle chargers.

[Click here](#) for more.

Today in History....

On November 10, 1969, "Sesame Street," a pioneering PBS TV show that would teach generations of young children the alphabet and how to count, makes its broadcast debut. "Sesame Street," with its memorable theme song ("Can you tell me how to get/How to get to Sesame Street"), went on to become the most widely viewed children's program in the world. It has aired in more than 120 countries.

Legislation & Policy



The House and Senate will be in session today, November 10. Watch the session live [here](#).

The following legislation of interest to townships saw action in the General Assembly yesterday:

The Senate passed [SB 448](#), which would further clarify the existing prohibition on municipal regulation of firearms and ammunition. It would allow persons and organizations adversely affected by a municipal ordinance adopted in violation of existing law to seek damages attributable to the violation in an appropriate court, including the awarding of reasonable expenses by the court if the judgement is against the municipality.

[HB 2058](#) was reported from the House Finance Committee. The bill would amend the Local Tax Enabling Act to make the deadline for filing final returns for the earned income tax align with the deadline for filing a Pennsylvania personal income tax return. The new filing date would normally be the same as the current April 15.

Learn

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

[PSATS Zoning Academy - 12/7-9/21](#)

The PSATS Zoning Academy is a multi-day class that is focused on providing attendees with a foundational understanding of all important aspects of zoning in Pennsylvania. This class will greatly benefit newer zoning officials, those looking to become zoning officials and municipal officials and employees seeking a better understanding of zoning's impact on municipal operations.



[The Code Officials Guide to Zoning - Virtual Class - 1/18/22](#)

The 90-minute online course provides a comprehensive overview of current zoning issues and problems as they inter-relate to the UCC. Topics include: overview of the MPC, zoning requirements and difficulties, responsibilities of BCOs to meet and manage zoning challenges, permit issuance and enforcement conflicts, violation letter requirements and templates, and legal issues in zoning.



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