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Township Video News



TVN's Summer School | Lesson Three: County Conventions

In the final lesson for Summer School 2022, Holly Fishel and Joe Gerdes discuss the importance of attending your county convention and how county associations connect PSATS members at the grassroots level.

Latest News

Act 13 Unconventional Gas Well Fund Grant Program Applications Being Accepted

The application period for the 2022 Act 13 Unconventional Gas Well Fund (UGWF) grant program is now open. The **deadline to apply is October 21**. Fire companies, rescue companies and emergency medical services throughout the 40 counties in which unconventional gas wells are located, or counties that directly border those counties, are eligible to apply for the grants.

Eligible projects include:

- ❑ Obtaining professional national certification of members.
- ❑ Purchase of firefighting, emergency medical, rescue, or air monitoring equipment used at or related to an unconventional gas well pad incident on, or related to, an unconventional gas well pad. All equipment purchased through the program will also include training on the equipment provided by the PSFA at no additional costs to the grant recipient(s).
- ❑ Training classes and required educational materials to prepare for incidents at an unconventional gas well pad or related to the unconventional gas industry.

[Click here](#) for detailed information about the program and instructions on how to apply.

New Grant Round for Recycling Program Development and Implementation Grants

The state Department of Environmental Protection is opening a new grant round to support the development of municipal recycling programs under section 902 of the [Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act of 1988](#) (Act 101).

Applicants must complete the Sustainability Plan portion of the application that includes actions and strategies for program self-sufficiency. DEP's technical report on [Building Financially Sustainable Recycling Programs](#) can aid in developing methods and strategies. Only projects involving townships that have a mandatory trash collection program or projects seeking support for a residential recycling program that have a corresponding commercial recycling program will be considered for funding. Eligible and noneligible costs are listed in the grant application packet.

Applications must be submitted online through the [Commonwealth's Electronic Single Application](#) website **by October 28**. Questions should be directed to Mark Vottero, DEP Recycling Grants Coordinator, at mvottero@pa.gov or (717) 772-5719. [Click here](#) for the Pennsylvania Bulletin notice.

Today in History....

On August 23, 1947, the first Little League World Series championship game—the culmination of a three-day tournament in Williamsport, Pa.—features teams from Pennsylvania. Before roughly 2,500 fans, Maynard, a team from Williamsport, defeated Lock Haven, 16-7, to win the title at Original Field. Although it is called the

"World Series," 11 of the 12 teams in the tournament are from Pennsylvania; the outlier is a team from Atlantic City, N.J.

Learn

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

Developing Your Township Budget

This class will provide proven and effective methods and techniques to help new and veteran township supervisors, secretaries, treasurers, managers, road masters and public works officials develop budgets that work.

[8/24/22 - Chester County](#)



PSATS 2022 Regional Forums

This series of full-day educational sessions is scheduled for multiple locations statewide. Learn more about issues that matter to your community, discuss common interests with other local leaders, earn PMGA and other professional credits, and attend specialized workshops designed for township officials. This educational event will be the perfect opportunity to hear from experts on the **local issues** that matter to you and your municipality.



PSATS Southcentral I 2022 Regional Forum - 8/31/22 - Lancaster
PSATS Northeast 2022 Regional Forum - 9/22/22 - Tannersville
PSATS Southwest 2022 Regional Forum - 9/29/22 - Cranberry Township
PSATS Southeast 2022 Regional Forum - 10/6/22 - Plymouth Meeting
PSATS Southcentral II 2022 Regional Forum - 10/11/22 - Gettysburg
PSATS Centre Regional 2022 Regional Forum - 10/25/22 - State College
PSATS Lehigh Valley 2022 Regional Forum - 11/1/22 - Allentown

[Click here for more information and to register](#)

[Effective Township Administration: Steering Your Township Through Difficult Situations - 9/8/22](#)

Elected and appointed officials are often asked to solve problems that are either not within their authority to solve or where the proposed “solution” might create negative unintended consequences for the municipality. Navigating these difficult issues requires skill, diplomacy and, often patience.



2022 PSATS Fall Solicitors Seminar

This seminar will cover a wide variety of emerging and important trends and issues vital to the practice of every municipal solicitor.

[9/20/22 - Cumberland County](#)

[11/10/22 - Montgomery County](#)



Human Resources And Labor Management Institute

This class is a must-attend for anyone who has responsibility for HR and personnel management in their township. In this seminar, the team from Eckert Seamans will detail what to expect in human resources and labor relations.

[10/27/22 - Allegheny County](#)

[11/15/22 - Montgomery County](#)

[12/5/22 - Lycoming County](#)



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