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Latest News

Looking for Township Employee Wage and Benefit Comparisons?

2022 PSATS Salary Survey Plus results are now available for participating townships! This online platform lets township officials securely and anonymously compare their employees' wages and benefits with those of similar townships with just a few clicks. Participating townships can compare wages and benefits based on region, population size, and budget size, all of which have a major impact on wage rates and benefits. Additional filters are available, including union status, road miles, health or pension benefits offered, and more.

If you already participated, thank you! We could not do this without you. Your township supervisors, manager, secretary, and other township-designated officials can now access the results. Results are available under "Run Reports" for a summary by position or under "Compare Townships" to see all answers by position.

New this year: Years of experience were added for full-time administrative office staff, management positions, and code officials.

If you haven't participated yet, it is not too late! Enter your data today and the real-time portal will instantly calculate your answers into the results. Once your data is entered, you will be given access to results. Participating now will make a great product even better for all townships! And if the board decided to change pay rates mid-year, take a minute to update your answers!

To access Salary Survey Plus, log onto psats.org and look under "My PSATS" for "Salary Survey Plus." If you need to change the township official designated to enter data (*the PSATS Salary Survey Plus processor*), contact

memberservice@psats.org or (717) 763-0930, ext. 112.

Not sure how to use the reports? Here are some quick tips!

- Under “**Run Reports,**” scroll down to below the filter box. Click on any report and it will automatically download with the 2022 statewide results as indicated on the cover page. Or apply a filter from the filter box and click on a report to download that report with your filter applied.
- Under “**Compare Townships,**” choose a position group, choose the “Salary Details” tab, and scroll below the filter box. Just under the legend there is a drop down with the current position. Scroll down to view the full 2022 statewide results for that position. Choose a different position as desired from the drop-down menu. Apply any filter to instantly analyze the results.

Questions? Don't see the Salary Survey option? Need help with a report? Email salariesurveyplus@psats.org or call (717) 763-0930, ext. 126 for Katie Lizza or ext. 138 for Holly Fishel.

DCNR Announces C2P2 Grant Awards, New Fall Grant Round

The state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has announced that \$90 million in recreation and conservation grants have been awarded to more than 330 projects across Pennsylvania. Dozens of these grants are awarded to townships across the state and others will go to non-profit organizations that will undertake projects in townships. Projects include trails, open space protection, streamside forest buffers, and development or rehabilitation of park and recreational facilities. Funding for these projects comes from the Community Conservation Partnerships Program (C2P2). Click here for [descriptions of all the winning projects](#).

In addition, **DCNR announced that it is now accepting applications for a special Fall 2022 grant round for C2P2 grants** that was funded as part of the state's final 2022-2023 budget deal using American Rescue Plan Funds. The deadline to submit applications for the fall grant round **is October 27**.

For this supplemental round, municipalities with populations of less than 5,000 need to provide only a 20% local match with no restrictions on project size. In addition, \$8 million is available for tree planting, lawn conversion, and streamside buffers. Townships may also apply for recreation and conservation planning, land acquisition and conservation, motorized trails, non-motorized trails, rehabilitation and development of public parks, recreation facilities, greenways, and river conservation projects.

Click here for [the press release](#). Click here for [detailed information on the new C2P2 grant opportunity](#). Click here for [FAQs on the new grant round](#).

Today in History.....

On September 7, 1776, during the Revolutionary War, the American submersible craft *Turtle* attempted to attach a time bomb to the hull of British Admiral Richard Howe's flagship *Eagle* in New York Harbor. It was the first use of a submarine in warfare.

Learn

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



2022 PAAZO Fall Seminar

In the PAAZO Fall Seminar, learn from experts on a wide variety of topics pertinent to your duties as a municipal Zoning official.

[10/13/22 - Montgomery County](#)

[11/17/22 - Butler County](#)



[**The Role of the Planning Commission - York County - 9/14/22**](#)

In this class, you will learn the integral role that the planning commission plays in the short- and long-term development of the township and the quality of life of its residents.

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