

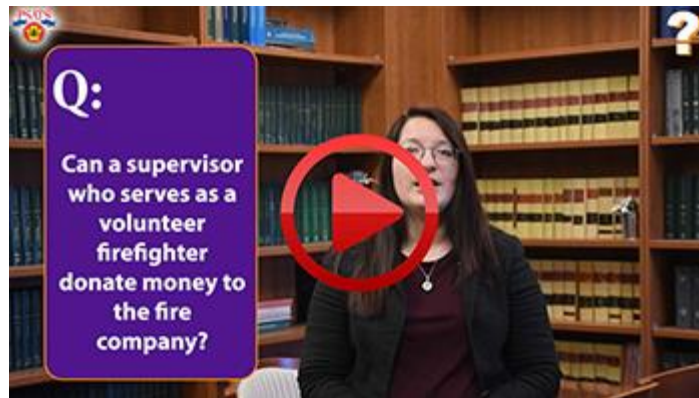
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## Township Video News



### **TVN's Question of the Week | How do we certify our voting delegate for the 2023 Conference?**

Watch this week's Q&A to get the necessary details on who can serve as a voting delegate and how to register them for the 2023 Conference. Also, [click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week.

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## Latest News

### **Time is Running Out for FCC Map Challenges! Challenges Due January 13**

Township officials and residents are running out of time to review and submit challenges to the new Federal Communications Commission's [broadband access map](#). The map's accuracy is crucial for the commonwealth to receive sufficient federal funding to ensure high-speed internet access for all Pennsylvanians.

**Challenges to the maps are due January 13**, and townships interested in ensuring that residents currently not served by land-based broadband have an opportunity for funding should visit the maps and submit challenges to inaccurate data. **Townships interested in collaborating with the Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority on a bulk challenge submission** need to send all [completed spreadsheets](#) to Kalie Snyder at [kysnyder@pa.gov](mailto:kysnyder@pa.gov) no later than **January 9**. To learn more about the map and challenge process and access resources, [click here](#).

### **PennDOT Accepting Green Light-Go Applications**

The state Department of Transportation is accepting applications for approximately \$40 million in grants for the [Green Light-Go: Municipal Signal Partnership Program](#) to replace, synchronize, time, operate, and maintain traffic signals. Applications are due January 31. A 20% match is required.

All applicants must have submitted a Pre-Application Scoping Form in December. For additional information and a link to the online electronic application, visit [PennDOT's website](#). Questions may be directed to Michael Centi, Senior Traffic Control Specialist, PennDOT Bureau of Maintenance and Operations, at (717) 787-5313 or [GLG@pa.gov](mailto:GLG@pa.gov).

### **Townships Receive Traffic Light Grants**

Yesterday, Gov. Tom Wolf announced that \$15 million in Automated Red-Light Enforcement (ARLE) funding is being distributed to 32 municipalities statewide to fund 36 safety projects. Projects were selected based on safety benefits and effectiveness, cost, and regional impact. PSATS members snagged \$3 million while the City of Philadelphia landed \$7 million. [Click here](#) to see listing.

### **State Revenues Again Beats Projections**

The Independent Fiscal Office and state Department of Revenue have released December 2022 revenue reports. The state collected \$4 billion in December, the sixth month of the fiscal year, 11.9% above IFO's official estimate. Fiscal year-to-date general fund collections total \$19.7 billion, or 6.3% above IFO's estimate. About half of the overage is attributed to an intentional shifting of depositing personal income tax revenue from November 30 to December 1.

The Motor License Fund received \$203 million in December, \$8.2 million above estimates. Year-to-date revenues are 1.8% above estimates. The fund includes liquid fuels taxes and other license, fine, and fee revenues. [Click here](#) for the [IFO report](#) and here for [Revenue's press release](#).

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## Legislation & Policy



### **Shapiro Appoints Key Advisors**

Yesterday, Gov.-Elect Josh Shapiro appointed Akbar Hossain, Executive Director of his transition team, to be Secretary of Policy & Planning beginning January 17. In addition, Shapiro appointed former House GOP member Mike Vereb, Director of Government Affairs at the Attorney General's office, as his Secretary of Legislative Affairs.

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## Learn

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

### **Flagger Training**

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

[1/17/23 - Montgomery County](#)

[1/30/23 - Cumberland County](#)

[3/1/23 - York County](#)

[3/7/23 - Lehigh County](#)



### [2023 Engineers Spring Seminar - 4/24 & 4/25, 2023](#)

The 2023 “Spring Township Engineers Seminar” is a series of two half-day events on Monday and Tuesday mornings during the PSATS Annual Conference in Hershey. Each morning's agenda will include important issues of interest to municipal

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engineers and their local government clients taught by knowledgeable and respected subject matter experts. We encourage your attendance at both of these interactive and informative sessions, each of which provides 3 PDHs per day.

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