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Township Video News



TVN's Question of the Week | What is the current pay rate for elected auditors?

To find out more about the pay rate for elected officials check out today's Question of the Week. Also, [click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week.

Latest News

Reminder: Federal Road, Stormwater Grant Applications Due 2/28

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has \$1.5 billion in funding available through the [Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity](#) (RAISE) discretionary grant program. Townships are eligible to apply through [Grants.gov](#) and the deadline for applications is **February 28**.

Capital and planning projects are eligible for RAISE grants, including:

- Highway, bridge, and other road projects;
- Public transportation;
- Intermodal projects;
- Replacement or rehabilitation of culverts or stormwater runoff prevention to improve aquatic species habitats; and
- Planning, preparation, or design (*for example, environmental analysis, feasibility studies, benefit-cost analysis, and other pre-construction activities*) of eligible capital projects.

The FY23 RAISE funding will be equally divided between rural and urban area projects. The Notice of Funding, Application FAQs, and more are available on USDOT's website, www.transportation.gov/; search "RAISE." For more information, please contact RAISE grant program staff at RAISEgrants@dot.gov or call Howard Hill at (202) 366-0301. Click here for a [Grant Alert Summary](#) from PennDOT. Questions may also be submitted to PennDOT at RA-PDTRANSFEDFUNDOPP@pa.gov.

Apply for Certified Host Municipality Inspector Reimbursements

The state Department of Environmental Protection is accepting applications for [Host Municipality Inspector Program](#) reimbursement. Applications must be submitted online by **April 30** through the commonwealth's [Electronic Single Application site](#).

Townships that have a municipal waste landfill, resource recovery facility, or commercial hazardous waste storage, treatment, and disposal facility located in its borders are eligible to apply. DEP awards reimbursements for authorized costs incurred for salary and expenses of up to two DEP-certified host municipality inspectors, not to exceed 50% of the approved costs.

Questions about the program should be directed to Allen Bardar, Bureau of Waste Management, at abardar@pa.gov or (717) 787-2553. Additional information is available on [DEP's website](#).

Legislation & Policy



Rozzi Sets House Session Schedule

Calling the State House back a week earlier than expected (now Feb 21), Speaker Rozzi announced the below session schedule through the State Budget passage. This means both chambers will be in session during the PSATS Conference in April and our Legislative Grassroots Reception will be well attended, so sign up early to visit with your Senator and Representative.

February: 21, 22, 23, 27, 28

March: 1, 6, 7, 8

April: 24, 25, 26

May: 1, 2, 4, 22, 23, 24

June: 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

Prayers for Fetterman

PA US Senator John Fetterman was admitted to a Washington DC hospital last night after feeling dizzy and light-headed at a Senate Democrat Retreat. He is conversant and being evaluated.

Learn

Flagger Training

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

[2/28/23 - Montgomery County](#)

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

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

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

[3/9/23 - Indiana County](#)

[3/15/23 - Mercer County](#)

[3/23/23 - Erie County](#)

[4/4/23 - Chester County](#)

[4/6/23 - Lackawanna County](#)

[4/23/23 - Dauphin County](#)

[5/4/23 - Lancaster County](#)

[5/15/23 - Cambria County](#)

[5/23/23 - Montgomery 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 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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