

Municipal Officials Training Academy Announces 2016 Program and Group Tuition Rates

2016 marks commencement of the 4th year of the Municipal Officials Training Academy ("Academy") and continued growth and participation statewide. The Academy's sponsors and organizers, the St. Louis County Municipal League and Cunningham, Vogel & Rost, P.C., would like to thank all public officials and staff for your tremendous growing attendance and your continued positive feed-back. To date, the Academy has provided free and minimal cost training sessions to over 550 public officials and employees throughout Missouri associated with over 200 Missouri municipalities.

The goals of the Academy are to provide very low cost or free training on directly useful topics. The Academy relies primarily on the volunteer efforts of its organizers and speakers while still adhering to strict quality and program standards. The Academy pre-approves presentations to ensure that each is practical, high-quality and includes deliverables so that each participant gains not only information on the topic but also practical recommendations, model policies or best practices that participants are able to implement in their municipalities. The Academy is unique in providing educational opportunities in-person and by web, absent of marketing, and made available only to public sector employees and authorized representatives.

Given the success and participation level over the last three years, the Academy is able to now renew and expand the "all-official, all-employee" single tuition rate for 2016 to allow all officials and employees of a municipality (subject to any program limits) to attend all of the seminars for an entire Academy year for a single payment as follows:

- Cities with 25 or less employees - **\$100** single payment for the year
- Cities between 26 and 100 employees - **\$200** single payment for the year
- Cities with more than 100 employees - **\$300** single payment for the year

The Academy will also continue to make the \$10 per session/person rate available. **However, to help keep administrative costs down and to better utilize the program at minimal cost, the Academy urges your municipality to consider the tuition option rather than registering for each individual session for each municipal official or employee.** Note: the tuition option not only provides all of your municipality's officials and employees with access to all of the Academy's 2016 seminars for a discounted rate but also provides access to all of the past Academy seminars and resources. Please contact Steve Ables at staff@stlmuni.org to sign up for the 2016 tuition rate. Please make tuition payments by February 14, 2016.

Based on your input and recent municipal developments, the 2016 tentative Academy seminar topic schedule has been established as follows:

Date	Topic
January 28	Police
February 25	Ethics
March 24	Economic Development
April 28	Roberts' Rules
May 26	Condemnation/Takings
June 23	Legislative Review
August 25	Management & Employment
September 22	Board of Adjustment
October 27	Planning and Zoning (tent.)
November 24	Elections

Finally, the Academy is pleased to announce its new Participation Acknowledgments. With the growing participation and support, the Academy would like to recognize those officials and employees who attend multiple Academy seminars. With this Participation Acknowledgment, the Academy will provide certificates of participation to all municipal officials and employees who attend a total of 25 Academy seminars, as well as subsequent milestones.

For more information about the Academy, please contact Erin Seele at erin@municipalfirm.com or Steve Ables at staff@stlmuni.org. Registration information for the January topic will be emailed in early January.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS, SPEAKERS, AND EVERYONE MAKING THE ACADEMY A SUCCESS.

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