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**2018 ANNUAL  
CONFERENCE  
DETAILS!  
SAVE THE DATE  
HOTEL  
INFORMATION**

**October 6-8  
Maner Conference  
Center/Capitol Plaza  
Hotel  
Topeka**

Additional information, including hotel reservation and conference registration will be released in the July *Kansas Government Journal* and listed online. [www.lkm.org/annualconference](http://www.lkm.org/annualconference).

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## 2018 MUNICIPAL TRAINING INSTITUTE GRADUATES

Several local government leaders were honored for their efforts and successful completion of various levels of the Municipal Training Institute (MTI), a program of the League of Kansas Municipalities. Created in 1999 to provide educational opportunities for elected officials and appointed officials, the goal of the institute is to provide an interactive curriculum of specialized instruction that will develop the knowledge and enhance the leadership abilities of those who serve the cities of Kansas. This year alone, over 280 local government officials have attended training through the MTI program. These trainings offer officials valuable information on planning and zoning, municipal finance, personnel management, KOMA/KORA regulations, civility, and ethics. There are three levels of achievement in the Institute. This year, the League honored officials in each level.

### Level 1:

Becky Berger, City Manager, City of Atchison  
Jami Downing, City Clerk, City of Stafford  
Diana Garten, Finance Director, City of Pratt  
Lou Leone, City Administrator, City of Kiowa\*

### Level 2:

David McDaniel, Mayor, City of Ellis  
Lou Leone, City Administrator, City of Kiowa\*  
Michael Ort, City Administrator, City of Jetmore

### Level 3: \*\*

Kendal Francis, City Manager in Transition  
Tim Vandall, City Administrator, City of Lansing

\* Lou Leone, City of Kiowa City Administrator completed both Level 1 and Level 2 quickly and was honored for both levels in 2018.

\*\* Less than 15 individuals in Kansas have completed the necessary steps to complete Level 3 for the Municipal Training Institute.

For more information on the Municipal Training Institute, [visit our webpage](#).



**Level 1: Lou Leone; City of Kiowa, and Diana Garten; City of Pratt**



**Level 2: Michael Ort; City of Jetmore; David McDaniel; City of Ellis, and Lou Leone; City of Kiowa**



**Level 3: Tim Vandall; City of Lansing, and Kendall Francis, City Manager in transition**

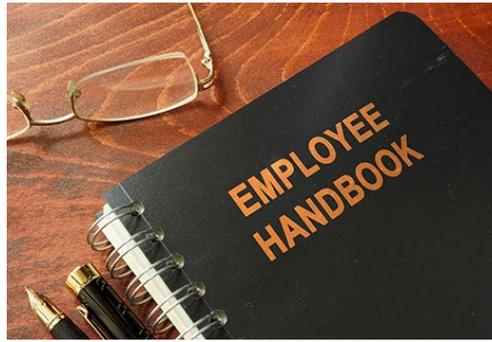


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## Personnel Management June 22 - Dodge City June 29 - Emporia

Register: [www.lkm.org/events](http://www.lkm.org/events)

This course covers the basics of personnel management in today's changing municipal workplace. Topics include: hiring and firing, discrimination and harassment, and personnel policies and guidelines. Cost to attend this course is \$75 for members, \$100 for nonmembers. Lunch and materials provided. Major topics covered in the course include:

- Personnel management in today's workplace
- Hiring & firing procedures and legal considerations
- Discrimination and harassment in the workplace
- Review of standard personnel policies (with template provided)
- Fair Labor Standards Act
- Family Medical Leave Act
- At-Will Employment
- ADA, Military leave/USERRA, Drug Testing, Domestic Violence Leave Law
- Personnel evaluations

Register for this course [at our website](#).

## COMMUNITY AWARDS DEADLINE SOON

The League is excited to announce the all new **Inspire - Create - Innovate - Community Awards** to celebrate recent innovations, programs, community projects, and acknowledge overall excellence in local government. Beyond honoring cities, we aim for these awards to spotlight innovations that other communities might replicate.

Recipients of the new Community Awards will be recognized at the League's Annual Conference later this fall. A representative from the winning city will receive a complementary conference registration and may be asked to present on a panel highlighting some of the projects. All winning entries will be featured in League social media and in a future issue of the *Kansas Government Journal*.

### Award Categories:

- Community Health
- Infrastructure
- Economic Development
- Public Safety
- Youth Engagement
- Communications

For more information including judging criteria and entry rules, [visit our website](#).





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## NEED AN UPDATE ON YOUR PERSONNEL POLICIES?

Did you know the League offers a personnel policy service for its members? Comprehensive personnel policies are critical to your organization and now is a great time to consider whether your policies are in need of an update.

Please contact [Amanda Stanley](#), General Counsel, for a price quote.

## CITY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION OF KANSAS SPRING CLE

City Attorneys, please join us on Friday, June 8 to stay current on the latest legal issues affecting Kansas local governments. Our legal staff will review recent court decisions and legislation, discuss the challenges being faced, and offer strategies to deal with them. Session topics include: cybersecurity and KORA, economic development, drones, land use/rezoning issues, ethics, case reviews & AGOs, DUI updates, and a legislative summary.

You will leave this conference with a better understanding of current legal issues and the impact they will have on the municipalities you represent. Visit the [CAAK website](#) for more information and to register. This event includes 6.5 hours of CLE credit. Cost to attend is \$65 for CAAK members and \$100 for non-members. Advance registration deadline is May 25, 2018. Registrations may be cancelled until 5:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, June 5** without penalty. After this deadline, cancellations will no longer be accepted and the registered attendee will be responsible for payment in full. Cancellations must be made in writing. Phone cancellations will not be accepted.

## WOMEN'S FOUNDATION APPOINTMENTS PROJECT™ TRAINING OFFERED

WOMEN ARE UNDERREPRESENTED ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.  
WE'RE WORKING TO CHANGE THAT!

JUNE 5, 2018

11:00 AM TO 1:00 P.M.

909 SE QUINCY ST  
TOPEKA, KS 66612  
(LUNCH IS PROVIDED)

[RSVP Online](#)



## LEGISLATIVE SESSION WRAP-UP WEBINAR

League legislative staff will review the 2018 session and provide a general overview of legislation affecting Kansas' cities. The webinar is free and for League members only. Webinar is limited to 100 participants. [Register online.](#)

