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NEW ONLINE DIRECTORY!

We heard you! Our members wanted a digital directory to find out information about Kansas' cities. Now...it's a reality! The League's Directory of Kansas Public Officials is now online!

The directory is searchable for many categories including county, city, region, population, form of government, and class of city. The search will provide city details including contact information, city staff and elected officials, number of employees, incorporation date, and population. If you search by a county or region, all cities in the county will appear. The directory used GIS mapping to show location within the state. Try it today! [Visit our website!](#)

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STO & UPOC - ORDER NOW!

Annually, the League updates our *Standard Traffic Ordinance* and *Uniform Public Offense Code*. The new versions are now available to [order online](#) and will be shipped to cities the last week of June.

Published by the League of Kansas Municipalities since 1960, the *Standard Traffic Ordinance* (STO) is an efficient, economical way to regulate traffic in Kansas cities. Whether or not your city has incorporated previous editions of the STO, the new edition may be adopted by the publication of a single ordinance. A manual explaining the procedures for incorporating the STO by reference is included with each order.

Published by the League of Kansas Municipalities since 1980, the *Uniform Public Offense Code* (UPOC) contains approximately 100 public offenses that can be adjudicated in municipal court. While many of the provisions parallel state law, the UPOC also contains offenses that are frequently enforced only within cities. Whether or not your city has incorporated previous editions of the UPOC, the new edition may be adopted by the publication of a single ordinance. A manual explaining the procedures for incorporating the UPOC by reference is included with each order.

Order print or electronic copies online: [STO](#) and [UPOC](#)



Breaking Down the Property Tax Dollar

From police officers who protect and serve to overseeing snow removal on roads and bridges, property taxes are a necessary investment for all Kansas communities. Here's a breakdown of how property taxes are distributed across the state.¹

¹ Kansas Department of Revenue (2017). *Property Taxes & Proportions*.



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SIGN UP FOR POLICY COMMITTEES

Since our founding in 1910, advocating on behalf of the cities in Kansas has been a core function of the League of Kansas Municipalities. Our positions on key issues are guided by the *Statement of Municipal Policy* (SMP) which is amended and adopted annually by the Convention of Voting Delegates. Decisions about positions on specific pieces of legislation are made by the League Governing Body.



Participation by member cities is critical to our ultimate success as an advocate for municipal interests. All city officials from League member cities are invited to participate on a policy committee. All member cities may designate voting delegates to participate in the Convention of Voting Delegates. All city officials are asked to contact legislators about key issues that are important to your community.

Each year in August, the League's Policy Committees meet to review the SMP. There are three committees that are focused in specific areas: Finance & Taxation, Public Officers & Employees, and Utilities & Environment. Following the meetings of each of those committees, the Legislative Policy Committee reviews the recommendations of the three specific committees and the remainder of the SMP. The amended SMP is approved by the League's Legislative Policy Committee and forwarded to the Governing Body for consideration. To participate on a Policy Committee, [sign up online](#), or call (785) 354-9565.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION WRAP-UP WEBINAR

On June 20, 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](#).

LEAGUE REPRESENTED ON LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE

The Joint Legislative Transportation Vision Task Force was established during the 2018 Kansas Legislative Session. The Task Force includes members of the legislature, state agency representatives, residents of Kansas, and appointments from the League of Kansas Municipalities, Kansas Association of Counties, and Kansas Economic Lifelines. The League selected two representatives from member cities to participate on behalf of Kansas' cities:

- **Jon Daveline, Councilman, City of Hutchinson (population 41,000)**
- **Donald Roberts, Mayor, City of Edgerton (population 1,700)**

The Task Force was established by the Kansas Legislature to evaluate the current transportation system, solicit feedback from stakeholders and residents, and make recommendations to the legislature about necessary projects and future funding strategies for transportation funds.

"Our cities have a vested interest in ensuring a quality transportation infrastructure for economic growth, livability, and public safety," said Erik Sartorius, Executive Director of the League. "We look forward to participating in the Task Force and helping to shape the future of transportation in Kansas."

The Task Force will begin meeting this summer and will submit their findings to the Kansas Legislature by January 31, 2019



Personnel Management
June 22 - Dodge City
June 29 - Emporia

Register: www.lkm.org/events