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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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## 2018 SALARY SURVEY COMPLETE

The League has completed its 2018 Salary, Benefits and Personnel Practices Survey. The survey's data and results are intended to provide League members with a comprehensive analysis of municipal finance practices in Kansas when it comes to personnel. The information will also aid the League's advocacy efforts to construct policy analysis based on different perspectives of cities' financial environments.

In 2018, 237 cities completed the entire survey. A *summary report* is also available that offers an analysis of salary and personnel trends arising within city governments across Kansas based on comparing 2018 data to the League's previous salary surveys.

Members can access the survey at [our website](#). If you are a city who participated in the survey, you will receive the data free of charge. If you are a city who did not participate in the survey, there will be a \$35 dollar fee to access the data.



## 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](#).

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





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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.



## KOMA /KORA Training

August 10 - Oakley  
August 17 - Concordia  
August 24 - Lenexa



## 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.<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Kansas Department of Revenue (2017). Property Taxes & Proportions.

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