VOTE! It’s Your Civic Duty

Next Tuesday, November 6, is Election Day in Kansas. There are several statewide races, including the Governor’s race, which will impact local government. You can view your election registration information and determine your polling location online at www.myvoteinfo.voteks.org.

The outcome of statewide and local elections are incredibly important. We encourage you to take the time to vote on Tuesday, November 6.

State law requires that polling places open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, but the county may open the polls earlier and close them later. All voters who are in line when the polls close will be allowed to vote.

Encourage your friends, family, co-workers and constituents to exercise their right to vote and we'll see you at the polls on Tuesday, November 6!

City planning and zoning is a perennial issue for municipalities. It's challenging; yet essential to good governance. The League of Kansas Municipalities is offering an elective Municipal Training Institute course on November 8 in Ness City. This course will focus on the authority of Kansas cities to enact planning and zoning laws and regulations. The course will focus on:

- Roles and responsibilities of a city Planning Commission
- Comprehensive planning;
- Zoning regulations, rezoning topics and zoning appeals;
- Best practices for municipal zoning professionals and appointed officials.

We encourage the following city officials to attend this course: city managers/administrators, city attorneys, planning/zoning staff or commissioners, and/or elected officials.

Visit our website to register.

Statement of Municipal Policy

The Statement of Municipal Policy is revised each year to reflect the League’s advocacy goals and agenda for the upcoming legislative session. The League’s 2019 Statement of Municipal Policy is now online and available for review. We encourage cities to provide the Statement of Municipal Policy to their elected officials and key staff. The Statement of Municipal Policy sets the League’s focus and key issues for legislative action for the upcoming session.

Review the Statement of Municipal Policy online at our website.

The Legislative Experience: Creating Change through Advocacy

The League is pleased to offer a NEW MTI about legislative advocacy. This interactive workshop promotes the collaboration between state and local government by explaining the legislative process, providing tools for various levels of advocacy, and presenting testimony to a “committee” of city officials. City officials will learn how they can be effective advocates of issues that matter to their residents whether they are in the statehouse or city hall. Leave this course with an invaluable experience that empowers you to take the next step in your legislative efforts. This MTI will be offered on Wednesday, December 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Topeka. Visit our website to register.
**Now Hiring! Communications & Design Specialist**

The Communications and Design Specialist handles the layout and design of League publications and assists in overall communications efforts including the development of print and digital media elements for the League. Under the supervision of the Communications and Education Manager, the Communications and Design Specialist creatively designs League publications and communications efforts including printed materials, general copy, photos, videos, audio, and other content.

To view the full job description, visit our website. Please contact Communications and Education Manager Megan Gilliland with questions or inquiries.

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**The League’s Annual**

**“If I Were Mayor” Contest**

**Deadline November 18, 2018**

**Visit** [www.lkm.org/MayorContest](http://www.lkm.org/MayorContest) **FOR MORE INFORMATION!**

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**Transportation Task Force Meetings**

The Joint Legislative Transportation Task Force will meet the following dates:

- November 8 – Johnson County
- November 9 – Manhattan
- November 28 and 29 – Topeka

To find more information on these meetings, visit the [Kansas Legislative Research Department](http://www.lkm.org) website.

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**New MTI Training:**

**Cybersecurity for Cities**

Nov. 9 (Salina)

Cities are under attack on a daily basis. Join the League in exploring steps to protect our data!