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FCC PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES

The FCC's *Emergency Connectivity Fund* is a \$7.17 billion program that will help schools and libraries provide the tools and services their communities need for remote learning during the COVID-19 emergency period.

The Kansas Office of Recovery *created a one-pager on the FCC Emergency Connectivity Fund*, focused on helping schools and libraries purchase broadband equipment. The program opens June 29.

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LEGISLATION REQUIRING A HEARING TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE

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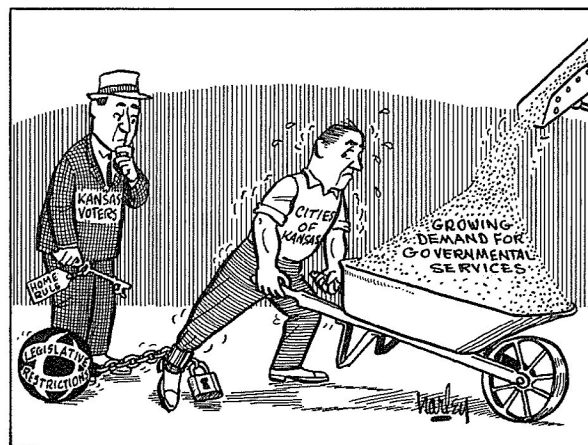
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HOME RULE WENT INTO EFFECT 60 YEARS AGO TODAY!

On this day, 60 years ago, the voter-approved Home Rule Amendment of the Kansas Constitution went into effect. Home Rule is LOCAL CONTROL. It is our top legislative priority & the issue we feel is most important to local government & our residents. Home Rule allows cities to make decisions on local issues including the levying of taxes, excises, fees, and charges. Cities can enact ordinances to determine local affairs.

A city's Home Rule power is not unlimited. The legislature has exclusive power to prescribe requirements and procedures relating to incorporation, annexation and exclusion, merger, consolidation and dissolution of cities.

It's an honor to serve our residents and cities and promote Home Rule every day!



The cartoon above was used in statewide campaign to grant cities Home Rule. Home Rule took effect on July 1, 1961.

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS - APPLICATIONS NECESSARY

In order to receive American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Local Fiscal Relief Funds (LFRF), you MUST make application to the State of Kansas: [NEU Award Request portal](#). Funds will be distributed to those who have completed the application and certification process, with initial payment processing beginning on **July 1, 2021**. For the State to fulfill the Treasury's deadline for distributing NEU awards, all applications must be completed by **July 26, 2021**.



2021 MTI

MUNICIPAL TRAINING INSTITUTE

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July 21

McPherson

10am-4pm

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WWW.LKM.ORG/EVENTS

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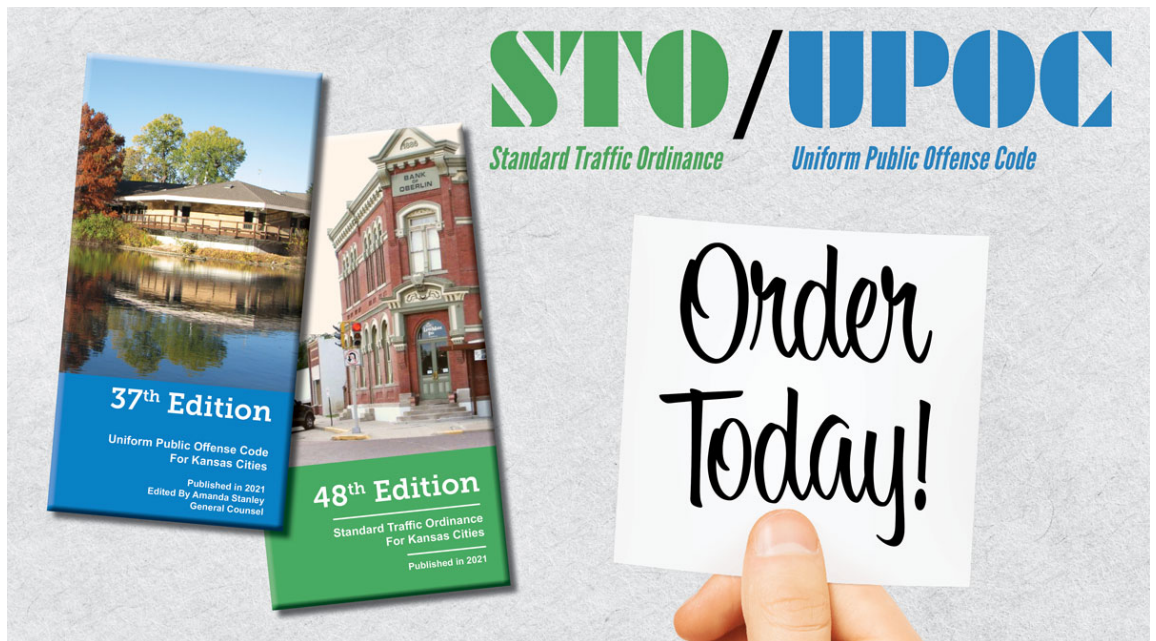


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CONFERENCE HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION

The League *Annual Conference* is just around the corner, October 9-11 in Topeka. Traditionally, we aim for registration and hotel booking information to open July 1. This year, however, registration and hotel information will be delayed until July 7. The Capitol Plaza Hotel is undergoing a management change and is working hard to update their reservation system and will now be called Hotel Topeka at City Center.

We can't wait to see you in Topeka this October for an in-person event once again. We'll be *updating our web page* with additional information in the days to follow.



2021 KOMA/KORA

August 5 *Dodge City*

August 6 *McPherson*

August 10 *Virtual*

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BROADBAND AVAILABILITY AND ACCESS SURVEY

The Institute for Policy & Social Research (IPSR) at the University of Kansas is conducting a study on broadband access and affordability in Kansas. The COVID-19 pandemic has underscored the importance of internet access for schools, households, health care, and the economy. Researchers at the University of Kansas are assessing the availability and quality of internet connections across the state. This survey and speed test are designed to gather data about the availability and speed of internet service in Kansas, including to identify locations that lack internet or broadband service. *Take the survey.*

