Office of Rural Prosperity is offering a Grassroots Economic Development 101 workshop. This workshop is being offered for anyone interested in tackling local challenges their rural community is facing.

This is a nine-week economic development training with virtual sessions beginning Thursday, December 9. Early bird registration ends on December 1 with a cost of $15. After December 1, the participation fee will be $30. The information in the course will be invaluable to any rural Kansas champion who believes in moving our state forward. Learn more and register: https://tinyurl.com/9hfreaek.

Two Legislative Dinners Left - Register Today!

These informative sessions will feature a discussion of the League’s 2022 Legislative Priorities. We hope you take this important opportunity to network with local officials to discuss the upcoming session. All Legislators are also invited to attend; we encourage you to reach out and personally invite them. Dinner registration starts at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 6:00 p.m. League Staff is also offering an optional training beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the same location. The topic is City Officials 101, and the training will cover forms of government, classes of cities, and basic municipal operations. Click to RSVP for this optional event on the registration form.

Click below on the location you wish to attend to access the registration form.

Tuesday, November 30: Prairie Village

Wednesday, December 1: Iola

Goodyear Named General Counsel

The League of Kansas Municipalities Executive Director Erik Sartorius announced John Goodyear has been named General Counsel. John began his work in municipal law as an extern with the League in 2018 and then joined the staff full time as a Staff Attorney in 2019.

“John has been with us since he was a law student at Washburn and has steadily grown in his understanding of municipal law,” said Sartorius. “He has undertaken more complex work and played critical roles in advocating for cities.”
MTI on Ethics & Civility Date Change, Video Option Added

We've had to make a date change for our upcoming MTI on Ethics and Civility. The date of the LIVE webinar will now be Wednesday, December 8 from 6-9 p.m. (originally scheduled for Thursday, December 9). We apologize for the change but we don't want this to affect your attendance so we're offering some additional options for this course to ensure that anyone who wants to attend should be able to get this important information for local government officials. We're offering the following as options for local government officials to attend:

1. Registration for the course stays the same. If you've already registered, you should have received a webinar invite from Zoom in your email. The same link will get you access to the MTI on December 8 from 6-9 p.m.

2. We will now offer a video copy of the MTI to any registered attendee – if you can't make the December 8 date, you'll get a copy of the webinar to watch at your convenience.

3. Also, if you have multiple local government officials who want to attend, we are now offering a discount rate of $35/per registrant if your city has three or more registered attendees. You can register your whole council/commission to participate and watch the video.

4. Register for this webinar: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_JQ7cup7MTYyr5hSa0drvjw

Broadband Survey Needs Your Input!

Help your community by telling us about your local internet service! Fellow Kansans at the Institute for Policy & Social Research are seeking ways to improve internet access and quality in our state. We need your help finding areas in Kansas that experience internet service gaps. These gaps keep people in Kansas communities from being able to access online healthcare and other critical services.

If you live in an area that is lightly shaded, they need more responses from you to collect the best data available and help bridge the "digital divide."

Take the survey and help Kansas get better connected: https://ipsr.ku.edu/broadband/kansas.shtml.