The League invites nominations from city officials to serve on the League Governing Body. The Governing Body consists of 12 directors, a president, vice president and past presidents who meet six times each year to provide direction to the organization.

We seek a diverse membership by region, size of city, race, gender, ethnicity, and elected and appointed officials. Members of the Governing Body are expected to make a commitment to attend all meetings and possibly participate on subcommittees. Any travel expenses are paid by each member’s city.

If you are interested in submitting a nomination, simply complete our online form.

Legislative Updates

Looking for legislative updates? Check out our new web page with the latest legislative information for municipalities.

Click Here.

Travelling to Topeka Tomorrow?

Will we see you in Topeka tomorrow for Local Government Day? City officials from all across the state will gather for an exciting and informative day. In the morning, make sure you have appointments to visit with your legislators about issues that are important to your community. In the afternoon, the winners of the “My City, My Home” essay contest will be recognized, and we will be joined by fellow County officials and hear presentations from legislative leaders.

Masks are strongly recommended for this event. We look forward to seeing you in Topeka!

One Week Left for Opioid Settlement Participation

If you haven’t taken action on the opioid settlements yet, you still have some time. Non-litigating cities have until January 31, 2022 to file all the required documentation to participate and receive settlement funds pursuant to the Kansas Fights Addiction Act. You can find information on these settlements and the required steps on the League’s website at

Check out our website for resources and instructions and contact John Goodyear with any questions.

We are Hiring!

Looking to make a difference in cities across Kansas? The League of Kansas Municipalities is seeking a staff attorney to provide legal guidance to cities, produce and present trainings on timely municipal topics, and represent cities at the state capitol. The ideal candidate has a passion for Kansas and enjoys the satisfaction of helping people build vibrant communities.

The Staff Attorney counsels elected city officials and municipal employees on legal issues ranging from personnel matters to rezoning issues. Our team works collaboratively to assist members in solving issues and strengthening their cities. We pride ourselves on timely and accurate information that saves members time. This person also analyzes state and federal legislation concerning municipalities and advocates for Kansas cities at the Kansas Legislature and with state and federal regulatory bodies. Review the full job description online.
League Launches 2022 Salary Survey

The League launched the 2022 survey of personnel practices, salaries, and fringe benefits today. This survey will be helpful as your city starts preparing the 2023 budget. The purpose of this survey is intended to provide cities with a resource in estimating the fiscal impact in evolving compensation and benefits practices.

When possible, this survey invitation is being sent to multiple staff members in your city (i.e., city administrator/manager, city clerk, and city finance director). Please only provide one survey response per city.

Please complete the survey by Friday, February 25, 2022. (Note: this will be a hard deadline. We will not be able to extend the timeframe. Our goal is to provide all of the data collected from each participating city to your city in April to assist with your 2023 budget.) If you have not received a link to the survey and need a link, please contact Research Associate Wendi Stark.

Tourism Grant Available For Cities

The Kansas Tourism Department announced a new grant opportunity to help communities develop or enhance tourism attractions to boost their local economies.

The grant program is the Tourism Attraction Sub-grants for Kansas (TASK). The program offers funding support for public and not-for-profit groups to pursue new or improved tourism attractions, with a total of $1.5 million available. TASK is funded by the American Rescue Plan U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) Travel, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation state grants.

Projects to be funded by TASK would bring new visitors to Kansas, such as museums; sports facilities; sites of natural or cultural significance; significant permanent exhibits; unique or destination-type lodging; conference centers; trails; outdoor activities that spur visitation; destination retail; and others tied to the tourism industry.

The TASK grant application process opens Friday, January 14, 2022, with a March 11, 2022, deadline for submission. Grant awardees will be announced on May 2, 2022. For more information, please visit the Tourism Department website.

Census Boundary and Annexation Survey

The U.S. Census Bureau is now conducting the Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS). BAS provides participants an opportunity to ensure that the Census Bureau has current and accurate legal boundary, name, and status information for their government. Participants may also provide updates to census designated places.

BAS is a voluntary survey. We strongly encourage eligible governments to participate in BAS. The Census Bureau uses this boundary information for data collection, tabulation, and dissemination for the decennial census, American Community Survey (ACS), Population Estimates Program (PEP), and many other censuses and surveys. The federal government allocates more than $675 billion in federal funds annually for health, welfare, infrastructure, education, and other federal programs and services. Correct boundaries ensure governments receive funds appropriately and have the best data available for their decision-making processes.

Find out more information online.
Check out the League’s Latest Infographic on the value of cities!

THE VALUE OF KANSAS CITIES

BY THE NUMBERS:

- <2% of cities comprise less than 2% of the land area in Kansas.
- 84% of the Kansas population live in cities.
- 57% of cities have a population of 500 or less.
- 90% of sales taxes are generated in Kansas.

CITIES PROVIDE SERVICES SUCH AS:

- Public Safety
- Safe Streets & Sidewalks
- Utility & Clean Water
- Libraries & Community Buildings
- Parks & Recreation

Cities are growing at a faster rate than the state’s overall population:

- Population Growth in Cities: 3.9% (Between 2010 - 2020)
- Population Growth in the State: 2.9% (Between 2010 - 2020)

Cities are home to:

- 83% of the residential property in Kansas
- 87% of commercial and residential property in Kansas
- 89% of state non-grant property in Kansas

Cities are where Kansas’ cultural, higher education, and health care facilities are located:

- All 324 Public Libraries
- All 53 Kansas Board of Regents Universities & Colleges
- All 103 Hospitals

MUNICIPAL REVENUES

- Municipal Revenues
- Property Tax, 43.2%
- Sales Tax, 42.2%
- Utility & Franchise, 10.6%
- Intergovernmental, 1.3%
- Miscellaneous, 1.7%

MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURES

- Municipal Expenditures
- Administration, 12%
- Public Safety, 26%
- Public Services, 21%
- Parks & Recreation, 19%
- Property Tax, 43.2%
- Sales Tax, 42.2%
- Utility & Franchise, 10.6%

Have you ever wondered what services cities provide in Kansas?

What about municipal revenues and expenditures?

Click on the image of our newest infographic for cities. (Feel free to download and use this for your city, too!)