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LEAGUE GOVERNING BODY OPPORTUNITIES

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](#).

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OPENS INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT

The Department of Commerce, authorized by the SPARK Executive Committee, is offering matching funds to address economic development opportunities throughout the state. BASE is designed to support infrastructure development to address economic development opportunities statewide with the goal of expanding the state's base of businesses and residents. Program details and FAQs are available at the [Kansas Department of Commerce's website](#).

There will be an informational webinar on **Wednesday, February 2** at 3:00 p.m. Please share this information with your economic development staff, Chamber of Commerce, etc. Register for the webinar at the [Kansas Department of Commerce's website](#).

The BASE grant application process opens Monday, January 31, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. with a Monday, February 28, 2022 11:59 p.m. deadline for submissions. Grant awardees will be announced no earlier than March 25, 2022.

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. 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](#).



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECOMMENDATIONS ON RACIAL EQUITY & JUSTICE

How could changes at the local level of government impact racial equity and justice for Kansans? Join the League and other local government entities on **Thursday, February 10** at noon for a webinar detailing the Governor's Commission on Racial Equity and Justice's final recommendations for local changes that would influence the economic, educational, and health outcomes of our citizens. [RSVP here.](#)

Following months of discussions with community members and stakeholders, the Governor's Commission on Racial Equity and Justice developed recommendations to address racial equity in Kansas by focusing on social determinants of health, particularly looking at factors that influence the economic, educational, and health outcomes of our citizens.

The Commission's recommendations address items that may take place on the state/agency, legislative, and/or local level. Each webinar in this series will explore recommendations applicable at a specific level of government. Each webinar will be recorded and posted at www.healthfund.org.



US DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION - RAISE GRANT

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) appropriated \$1.5 billion to be awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation for National Infrastructure Investment grants under the "Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Transportation Discretionary Grants program." This is the first year of the RAISE Transportation Discretionary Grants program under the BIL. The grant program funds will be awarded on a competitive basis for surface transportation infrastructure projects that will have a significant Local or Regional impact. The attached FY 2022 RAISE Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) and related information, including initial FAQs, is now available on the [RAISE website](#).

The application deadline is April 14, 2022 at 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). To provide technical assistance to stakeholders, the U.S. DOT will host a series of webinars during the FY 2022 RAISE grant application period. For more information and to register - please visit the [RAISE webinar series webpage](#).

KDOT OPENS ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

KDOT has opened their call for concepts for planning and construction projects to make walking and cycling safe, accessible, enjoyable, and an accepted and encouraged form of transportation in our Kansas communities. Download the [TA Project Concept Form on the TA website](#). Call for concepts are due by March 4. Due date of full application is May 13. Concept forms are required prior to application. KDOT announced there are a few new eligibilities this year. If your city is interested, please attend one of the 3 TA webinars to learn more on February 4, 7, or 11 from 1:30-3pm. Email Jenny Kramer with KDOT for an invitation to the webinar. Contact Jenny Kramer at (785) 296-5186 or [e-mail](#) her with questions on this program.

WEBINAR FOR INFRASTRUCTURE BILL CHECK-INS

The U.S. Department of Transportation invites local governments to participate in their monthly Bipartisan Infrastructure Law check-in specifically geared toward municipal government. This is an opportunity for the DOT to engage with mayors, administrators, staff, and relevant partners to discuss the latest updates from USDOT on implementation of these historic new investments.

The February meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 7 at 4:00pm EST. This will be conducted over Zoom and you must [register to join](#).



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Classes are open to all elected and appointed city officials and employees. If training is virtual, cost to attend includes materials. If training is in person, cost to attend includes materials and lunch.

▶ **VIRTUAL** ▶ **IN-PERSON** ▶ **TBA**

FEB	23	▶ KOMA FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS	JULY	13	▶ LEADING IN MULTI-GENERATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & MANAGING DIFFERENCES
MAR	1	▶ MUNICIPAL FINANCE & BUDGETING (CORE)	AUG	24	▶ KOMA & KORA - SCOTT CITY
APR	6	▶ PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT	25		▶ KOMA & KORA - WINFELD
	20	▶ CODE ENFORCEMENT & NUISANCE ABATEMENT	31		▶ KOMA & KORA
	29-30	▶ GOVERNING BODY INSTITUTE - MANHATTAN	SEPT	14	▶ CITY OFFICIALS FUNDAMENTALS
MAY	4	▶ SOCIAL MEDIA FOR CITIES	OCT	8-10	▶ LEAGUE ANNUAL CONFERENCE
	11	▶ PLANNING & ZONING			▶ ADVANCED MUNICIPAL FINANCE - OVERLAND PARK
JUNE	29	▶ CODE ENFORCEMENT & NUISANCE ABATEMENT - MOPHERSON			▶ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - OVERLAND PARK
					▶ SOCIAL MEDIA FOR CITIES - OVERLAND PARK
			NOV	2	▶ ETHICS AND CIVILITY

*Schedule as of January 24. Tentative and subject to change. Visit the League website for the most current information: www.lkm.org/MTI

