



President's Message

Dear Fellow MISAC Members,

For this edition of the President's Message, I would like to announce an exciting upcoming endeavor for MISAC: MuniTech Academy.

Municipal Technology Academy ("MuniTech Academy") builds on the success of previous MISAC educational and professional development courses, such as Windows Server 2012, Project Management Institute's Project Management Professional (PMP) certification boot camp, and the ISC2 CISSP certification boot camp, while increasing the frequency of the course offerings. One of the goals of this expansion is to grow our relationships with other western United States IT organizations and associations operating in the municipal government space. MuniTech Academy, powered by MISAC's partnerships, allows us to tap potential participants who might not otherwise look to MISAC for professional development training opportunities, which allows us to offer better pricing to our members. Establishment of the Academy will also relieve the State Board of coordination duties for future technical and professional training.



Under the leadership of MISAC's Education Committee Chair Ken Phillips and direct management of the program by Tripepi Smith, we have developed a stylish brand for MuniTech Academy and are currently programming a new website. Set to launch in July, www.munitechacademy.org will provide access to a monthly selection of educational and professional development opportunities available both virtually and in person.

In the meantime, the Education Committee continues to offer training opportunities. We completely sold out the virtual VMware 6.0 course in May and we hope to repeat that success by holding another VMware course in the next couple of months. We also have our second PMP boot camp scheduled in July. Look for future announcements on the listserv about the launch of www.munitechacademy.org and the expanded course offerings.

The Board and I are excited to see what the future of MuniTech Academy will bring. If you have questions about MISAC training opportunities or MuniTech Academy, please contact education@misac.org.

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2015 Annual Conference Update

The Annual Conference (October 3-7) at the Monterey Hyatt is just a few months away and planning is in full swing. Keep an eye out on the listserv for a full program announcement and registration information.

- Golf is back this year! The golf challenge will be held on Sunday morning, the first day of the Conference.
- Recently added to the program is a legislative update with Dominic DiMare of DiMare, Brown, Hicks & Kessler. Dominic will present (a program similar to what Amy Brown has provided in the past) at the Partners Lunch.
- The "Crab Feed" at the FishHopper will be back this year as our Tuesday night event.

Legislative Alert

The MISAC Board would like to inform our members of a bill moving through the State Legislature that could potentially impact your City.

SB 272 (Hertzberg) The California Public Records Act: local agencies: inventory

Summary: The existing law, the California Public Records Act, requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, unless an exemption from disclosure applies. The act declares that access to information concerning the

conduct of the people's business is a fundamental and necessary right of every person in this state. This bill would require each local agency, in implementing the California Public Records Act, to create a catalog of enterprise systems, as defined, to make the catalog publicly available upon request in the office of the clerk of the agency's legislative body, and to post the catalog on the local agency's internet website. The bill would require the catalog to disclose a list of the enterprise systems utilized by the agency, and, among other things, the current system vendor and product. Because the bill would require local agencies to perform additional duties, it would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

This bill has the potential to impact every member of MISAC. It is currently scheduled for a hearing in the Assembly Judiciary Committee on June, 16, 2015. If you feel strongly about the potential implications of this bill, consider contacting your legislators and the author to express your opinion.

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