General Convention Information

Registration
Everyone attending the convention must check in at the Registration Desk in the Grand Foyer prior to entering the Exhibit Hall or attending any workshop sessions.

Badges
Badges must be worn at all times. No one will be admitted to a workshop, the luncheon or the exhibit hall without their badges. Lost or misplaced badges must be replaced immediately at the Registration Desk. Exhibitor badges are coded in the color red. All other attendees have blue coded badges.

Workshop Sessions
Please arrive at the workshop session(s) you are attending before the workshop session begins! Speakers have spent time preparing and planning their programs and any delays or disruptions may jeopardize the full completion of the planned session. Look for handouts in the rear of the room. If supplies run out, give the speaker(s) a business card and ask that copies be mailed to you.

Luncheon Tickets
Each attendee will be provided one (1) luncheon ticket at the time they register. Tickets must be presented to Crowne Plaza staff in order to receive a luncheon meal.

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Each attendee will be provided one (1) Raffle Card at the time they register. In order to be eligible to win any of the prizes to be drawn during the raffle, an attendee must visit a minimum of twenty-four (24) booths and have the exhibitor place a sticker in one of the circles on the Raffle Card. Only municipal members may participate in the raffle. The raffle will take place during the luncheon. You must be present to win any of the prizes drawn.

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The exhibit hall will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Attendees must wear their badges in order to gain admission to the exposition. Attendees are encouraged to visit as many exhibit booths as possible. The exhibitors are experts in their fields and they are very interested in sharing information with you on their latest products and services.

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Complimentary Coffee and Tea
Coffee and tea, compliments of the convention exhibitors, will be available throughout the day in the Exhibit Hall.

Smoking Policy
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From the main entrance of the Crowne Plaza proceed to the Grand Foyer and the Grand Ballroom.

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## Convention At-A-Glance

**8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**
- Registration in Grand Foyer / Exposition Open
- Breakfast in Exposition Hall
- Welcome — Opening Remarks — Rotunda

**9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. ▼ SESSION I**

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- Break

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- Mid-Morning Raffle in the Rotunda

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- Luncheon

**1:45 p.m.**
- Raffle in the Rotunda

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Increasing Effectiveness and Accountability by Modernized Budgeting and Communications

BRISTOL A
As the first elected Mayor of East Providence, Roberto DaSilva focused on increasing budgeting effectiveness and accountability. This session discusses how you can introduce collaborative budget development to improve operations, capital planning, and workforce management, and how Mayor DaSilva leveraged these efforts to introduce a balanced general fund budget. Furthermore, this session will discuss best practices to improve internal and external communications surrounding the budget process.

Speakers:
Roberto DaSilva, Mayor, East Providence, RI
David Spolidoro, Customer Success Manager, OpenGov

Wellness Programming to Support the Emotional Well-being of First Responders

BRISTOL B
The mental well-being of the men and women who serve and protect our communities is every bit as important as their physical health and safety. The need for a wellness program for first responders is critical not only for these individuals but also for our community at large. An officer's level of stress can result in higher rates of heart disease, divorce, sick days taken, alcohol and drug abuse as well as major psychological illnesses such as acute stress disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression and anxiety disorders. Unfortunately, officer suicide has also become a national crisis. The specifics of a wellness program will be presented to address the need for continuum of mental health and wellness to span from the hiring process to the moment of retirement for first responders.

Moderator:
Paul Dutra, Esq., AIC, Property/Liability Claims Manager, RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust

Speaker:
Dr. Romina Hyde, Clinical Psychologist, RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust
Plastics and Preemption: Cities and Towns Out Front in the Fight Against Plastics Pollution

NARRAGANSETT
This moderated panel will discuss efforts by Rhode Island communities to combat our plastics pollution crisis. The panelists will provide information regarding the negative impacts of plastics on our health and environment; insight into drafting and passing ordinances banning single-use plastics; threats of statewide efforts to undermine cities’ and towns’ power to enact such ordinances; and a discussion of the roles of advocates and local residents in working to protect communities from plastics pollution.

Moderator:
Amy Moses, Vice President, State Director, Conservation Law Foundation

Speakers:
Kate Weymouth, Vice President, Town Council, Barrington
Carol Hagan McEntee, RI State Representative
Meg Kerr, Senior Director of Policy, Audubon Society of RI
Kevin Budris, Staff Attorney, Zero Waste Project, Conservation Law Foundation

Municipal Charters: Adopting, Amending and Appreciating

OCEAN
This workshop will be an in-depth look at municipal charters in Rhode Island. Presenters will provide a brief historical and legal overview of municipal charters and home rule authority, shedding light on the purpose of a charter and what subjects should be addressed in a charter rather than in the general code of ordinances. We will discuss best practices for amending your charter, from forming a charter review commission to putting the questions before voters for ratification. Finally, we will review excerpts from selected municipal charters and provide data regarding recently proposed charter amendments.

Moderator:
Amy H. Goins, Associate, Ursillo, Teitz & Ritch, Ltd., Assistant Town Solicitor for Barrington, Bristol, East Greenwich, South Kingstown, & West Greenwich

Speakers:
Peter F. Skwirz, Associate, Ursillo, Teitz & Ritch, Ltd., Assistant Town Solicitor for Barrington, Bristol, East Greenwich, South Kingstown, & West Greenwich
Louis P. Cirillo, CMC, Town Clerk, Bristol
Meredith J. DeSisto, CMC, Town Clerk, Barrington

Solar Siting Next Steps

RHODE ISLAND
This session will be a discussion surrounding solar siting issues from all perspectives, taking last year’s workshop on the model ordinance and guidelines through to implementation tactics and local-level lessons and experiences. Attendees will hear from a solar developer, a planner and an environmental smart growth advocate on how they can best approach and manage solar siting at the local level.

Speakers:
Paul Raducha, Senior Developer, Kearsage Energy
Scott Millar, Manager, Community Technical Assistance, Grow Smart RI
Ashley V. Sweet, Senior Planner, Weston & Sampson, Town Planner, Exeter
Municipal Government Purchasing

PATRIOTS
The Rhode Island Municipal Purchasing Agents Association (RIMPAA) members will discuss Rhode Island General Laws §45–55, Award of Municipal Contracts, relating to municipal purchasing, focusing on prevailing wage, bond requirements, cooperative purchasing agreements, and e-Procurement bidding systems.

Moderator:
Michael Mooney, Vice President, RIMPAA, Purchasing Agent, North Providence

Speakers:
Nancy McIntyre, Purchasing Agent, State of RI
Christine Mulligan, Deputy Treasurer, Burrillville
Diane Salisbury, Treasurer, RIMPAA, Purchasing Agent, Lincoln
Erin Mulligan, President, RIMPAA, Purchasing Agent, Newport
Carolyn Dorazio, Purchasing Agent, Smithfield

Women Leaders in Government

TIVERTON
This panel will discuss the challenges and opportunities for women in local government. Three executive-level leaders from throughout Rhode Island will offer their perspectives on what it means to be a leader in local government, how they advanced to where they are, and their own strategies for overcoming the difficulties of operating in a disproportionately male arena. If you’re looking to advance your career or simply interested in the successes of some fantastic local leaders, please join us at this exciting and informative panel discussion.

Moderator:
Dr. Jennifer Slattery, Membership Services Coordinator, RILCT

Speakers:
Lisa Baldelli-Hunt, Mayor, Woonsocket
Kate Michaud, Town Manager, Warren
Jeanne-Marie Napolitano, Councilwoman & Former Mayor, Newport

11:00 am - 11:45 am  Break
11:15 Mid-Morning Raffle in the Rotunda

Session II  Concurrent Workshops
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Pension Considerations for Government Leaders

BRISTOL A
This session will introduce attendees to the terminology and concepts required for active and informed participation in pension plan discussions and for effective oversight, administration and governance of publicly funded pension plans. This panel from various public pension disciplines will discuss the basics of public pensions, including pension terminology, plan design, funding and underfunding, the role of the actuary and financial reporting. The attendee will leave the session with a more thorough understanding of
pensions and OPEBs and the steps a local government can take towards reducing their liability and contributions through better transparency, planning, analysis, and negotiations.

**Moderator:**
Kimberly McCarthy, Esq., Vice President, Chief Wealth Management Tax and Benefits Officer, Washington Trust Wealth Management

**Speakers:**
Seth Magaziner, General Treasurer, State of RI
Joan Caine, CFA, Vice President, Sr. Portfolio Manager, Washington Trust
Ted Price, Co-Founder & CEO, GovInvest
Greg Mennis, Director, Public Sector Retirement Systems, Pew Charitable Trusts

**Funding Sources and Profitable Partnerships for Municipal Resiliency and Sustainability Projects**

**BRISTOL B**
Improving the sustainability and resiliency of communities and infrastructure to climate change will be a major challenge and financial liability for municipalities. Several funding programs exist that are specific to Rhode Island that municipalities can access to lower the cost of, as well as finance, resiliency and sustainability projects. During this session, a panel of speakers from state and federal agencies will provide information about available funding and how to access it. Learn more about how you can improve your municipal infrastructure with energy efficiency, solar projects, electric vehicle charging stations, green infrastructure, flood resiliency and much more! Bring your questions and project challenges, too - panel experts will help to brainstorm solutions at the end of the session.

**Speakers:**
Nathan Cleveland, Programming Services Officer, RI Office of Energy Resources
Andrea Moshier, Program Manager, Community Solutions, National Grid
Leah Bamberger, Director of Sustainability, Providence
Dean Audet, PE, Senior Vice President, Water Resources Business Line Leader, Fuss & O’Neill
Michael Baer, Managing Director, RI Infrastructure Bank
Jay Manning, Water Resources, State Revolving Fund Bonds, RIDEM
Tom Ardito, Director, SE NE. Watershed Grant Program, Restore America’s Estuaries
Sara Churgin, District Manager, Eastern RI Conservation District
Randall Galpin, Civil Engineer, Natural Resources Conservation Service
Caitlin Chaffee, Coastal Policy, RI Coastal Resources Management Council

**Battery Energy Storage — Information for Planners and Decision-Makers**

**NARRAGANSETT**
Large- and small-scale batteries are now being installed nationwide to improve resiliency and electric grid performance. What are these technologies? Why are they important? How can you incorporate them into your municipal and resilience planning? And what questions should we all be asking about siting and safety? Join us for a panel discussion to find out. During the panel you will hear about key resources and connect with experts regarding this emerging technology and its value streams. You’ll also hear from a utility district currently working to site a utility-scale battery system. Bring your questions and concerns. Together let’s start planning for batteries in Rhode Island.

**Moderator:**
Shaun O’Rourke, Director of Stormwater and Resilience, Chief Resilience Officer, RI Infrastructure Bank
Speakers:
Michael Kirkwood, General Manager, Pascoag Utility District
Paul Wassink, Senior Engineer, Demand Response Program Manager, National Grid
Carrie Gill, Ph.D., Chief, Program Development, RI Office of Energy Resources

Open Government: Access to Public Records Act

OCEAN ROOM
This session will provide an in-depth look at the Access to Public Records Act, including a focus on the law’s procedural requirements. The session will also use real-world public records request examples to help understand how the law works. Time will be provided for questions.

Speakers:
Sean Lyness, Special Assistant Attorney General, RI Office of the Attorney General
Kayla O’Rourke, Special Assistant Attorney General, RI Office of the Attorney General

Housing: Integrating Development with Sustainability, Attraction and Transit

RHODE ISLAND
In this session, participants will learn how to leverage housing development in order to advance goals around sustainability, economic vibrancy, and local quality of place. With a panel composed of experts in the field, this session will lead the audience on how residential development strategies involving transit-oriented development and efficient use of existing infrastructure help make towns attractive and accessible. The panel will also discuss the newly proposed Local Homes Partnership Program.

Speakers:
Kate Michaud, Town Manager, Warren
Annette Bourne, Research and Policy Director, HousingWorksRI
Carol Ventura, Executive Director, RI Housing
Claudia Wack, Housing Policy Counsel, RI Commerce Corporation
David Caldwell Sr., President, Caldwell & Johnson

REAP Saves Time and Money on Energy

PATRIOTS
Don’t miss out on opportunities for electricity savings and guidance on all your energy questions. This session will give you an overview of the REAP electricity supply program, the guaranteed competitive price and strong customer protections. You will get a demonstration of Market Watch, a tool that helps you easily monitor electricity prices overtime to identify market dips and lock in a price at advantageous times. You’ll learn about the Electric Vehicle Charger Program, which provides a discounted price for EV charges, dovetailing with state and utility incentives, and assistance and guidance throughout the entire process from siting and interconnection, to installation and operation. And we’ll show you Budget Power, a service where we prepare an accurate annual electricity cost forecast, including both supply and delivery charges, at no cost to you.

Moderator:
Meg Lusardi, Executive Vice President, PowerOptions
Speakers:
Kristen Patneaude, Director of Innovation, PowerOptions
Charlotte Diogo, Business Development Manager, Constellation Energy
Rita Moran, Business Development Manager, PowerOptions

Hot Legal Issues & Trends in Human Resources

TIVERTON
This session of round tables will focus on legal updates in human resources, diversity and inclusion, conducting investigations, recruiting and more. Each topic will be discussed in a small group format allowing time for questions from your own experience as HR professionals.

Moderator:
Karyn Rhodes, Vice President, Director, Complete Payroll Solutions

Speakers:
Patty Lyons, Senior HR Manager, Complete Payroll Solutions
Lisa Grennon, Senior HR Manager, Complete Payroll Solutions

12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Lunch in the Exposition Hall
1:45 p.m. Raffle in the Rotunda

Session III

Concurrent Workshops
2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Fine-Tuning Tax Assessment and Collection

BRISTOL A
This panel will discuss four tax assessment and collection issues facing local officials. The first topic is legislative initiatives to address the Balmuth Supreme Court decision, which increased tax assessment appeal opportunities for plaintiffs in intervals between revaluations. The second is the valuation of land for renewable energy projects, which will include a presentation on recent survey results. Third will be initiatives and opportunities to modify or exempt the value of improvements associated with flood protection. Lastly, Tax Collectors will discuss best practices to address tax blocks on motor vehicles and potential improvements to the municipal interface with state DMV.

Moderator:
Peder Schaefer, Associate Director, RILCT

Speakers:
Elyse Pare, Tax Assessor, Providence
Matt Helfand, Tax Assessor, Collector, Portsmouth
Tom Kane, Tax Assessor, Collector, North Providence
Ken Mallette, Tax Assessor, Cumberland
Cybersecurity Challenges for Cities and Towns

BRISTOL B
Cybersecurity has been a hot topic of late and is always in the media headlines — as we look to prepare ourselves for the never-ending — daily attempts to gain access to our data systems, financial institutions, municipalities and even our voting systems. During this panel discussion, we will take a deep dive into key areas of cybersecurity, featuring local tech leaders and experts giving their unique perspectives on how to deal with and address the multitude of threats. Attendees will gain knowledge into maturing and elevating their organization’s security posture.

Moderator:
Ralph Fasano, Director, Member Services, OSHEAN

Speakers:
Col. R. Michael Tetreault, Deputy Chief of Staff, Information Management, RI National Guard
Jeffrey Wilhelm, Chairman, Expert Member, IT Advisory Committee, North Kingstown
Paul Dutra, Esq., Claims Manager, RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust
Matthew Wainwright, CIO, CISO, Middletown

State & Local Technology Collaboration

NARRAGANSETT
Representatives from the State Division of Information Technology and the Department of Business Regulation will lead a quick retrospective look at state/local technology collaboration. This will be followed an open discussion of areas where state and local Governments could do more together. We want your ideas on how to leverage Rhode Island’s size to provide great services to citizens at all levels of government.

Speakers:
Liz Tanner, Director, RI Department of Business Regulation
Brian McGuirk, Head of Information Technology, RI Department of Business Regulation
Lori-Ann Fox, CGCIO, Director of Technology, South Kingstown

City and Town Responsibilities Under Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act

OCEAN
The New England ADA Center will present their latest research findings, “Data on Disability in States, Cities and Sub-Groups in New England” and “Challenges to Implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act in New England.” The data highlights the population of people with disabilities and explores barriers that may exist in municipal settings, which are mandated to meet the requirements under Title II of the ADA. The Governor’s Commission on Disabilities will present on Title II requirements. Attendees will review case studies and identify the ADA Title II requirements that apply to determine a compliance solution.

Speakers:
Jason Angel, Information Specialist and Researcher, New England ADA Center
Denyse Wilhelm, Assistant ADA Coordinator, RI Governor’s Commission on Disabilities
How Your City or Town Can Work Best with RIDOT

RHODE ISLAND
This will be a “news you can use” panel with questions that cover all the tricky areas where it is unclear whether RI Department of Transportation or the city or town is responsible – and all the gray areas in between. Snow removal, ownership of roads or parts of roads, tree trimming, maintenance and care of sidewalks, bushes overhanging roads, streetlights, pothole repair, sewer cover repair, requesting safety improvements, the Transportation Improvement Plan and how to get a project into it. The workshop will cover many topics and address attendee questions.

Moderator:
Lisbeth Pettengill, Director of Communications, RIDOT

Speakers:
Joseph Bucci, Maintenance Manager, RIDOT
Steve Pristawa, Traffic Safety Engineer, RIDOT
Bob Rocchio, Chief Engineer of Infrastructure, RIDOT
Nicole Pope, Director of Government and Legislative Affairs, RIDOT

RI Division of Purchases and Ocean State Procures™

PATRIOTS
Learn how the implementation of the Rhode Island Division of Purchases’ new eProcurement system, Ocean State Procures™ (“OSP”) will support municipality and school district procurement processes. OSP a is fully web-based application that is computer-, smartphone-, and tablet-friendly and will support solicitation postings for statewide use. OSP vendor registration will be available for statewide use, increasing vendor bidding competition. Introduction to the new Purchases website includes navigation and functionality of the Contract Board featuring statewide Master Price Agreements, and the new Bid Board featuring solicitations. Our website also offers procurement resources that municipalities can tailor to meet their needs.

Moderator:
Nancy McIntyre, State Purchasing Agent, RI Division of Purchasing

Speakers:
Meredith Skelly, Interdepartmental Project Manager, RI Division of Purchasing
Alicia Pomfret, Special Projects Manager, RI Division of Purchasing
Kathy Missell, Chief Buyer, RI Division of Purchasing

The Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns extends its warmest thanks to each of the seminar and workshop participants who generously contributed their time and efforts to make our program possible.
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