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Last Chance to Apply for the B. Harold Farmer Scholarship

The B. Harold Farmer Scholarship was initiated in 1992 in honor and memory of B. Harold Farmer, who served as a mentor for many Florida city and county managers. Mr. Farmer worked in municipal government as a city manager for about 25 years and helped establish the Florida Innovations Group. This scholarship honors Mr. Farmer's commitment to professional local government management and the use of innovation to deliver services to Florida residents.

The scholarship recipient and finalists will be recognized at the FCCMA Annual Conference in May 2013. The recipient will receive a \$2,500 scholarship and all related costs of attending the Conference. The major non-monetary benefit of the BHF Scholarship is the networking opportunity available at the Conference. More than 200 city and county managers and many of their management staff attend. [\(Read more\)](#)

Park Named for Mike Crotty



On February 1, the City of Satellite Beach dedicated an oceanfront park which is named after Mike Crotty. Mike Crotty served as Satellite Beach city manager for over 25 years. Mike has been an FCCMA member since 1985.

Congratulations Mike! [\(Read more\)](#)

FCCMA Annual Conference Announcement



The FCCMA Annual Conference Announcement will be available next week. This year the conference announcement will only be emailed. [\(Read more\)](#)

2013 Annual Conference Exhibitors and Sponsor Kit



The 2013 Annual Conference Exhibitors and Sponsor Kit is now available. If you are interested in participating at the annual conference as a vendor or a sponsor, the kit is now posted on the FCCMA website at

<http://fccma.org/annual-conference/>.

If you have any questions, please contact Beth Rawlins at beth@bethrawlins.com or (727) 797-9333. ([Read more](#))

"Pension Tension-Specifics on How to Address the Pension Challenge"

On February 21, 2013, from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, join the Florida City and County Management Association for an informational webinar on the critical challenge of local government pension reform.

In this session, local government leaders from the cities of Palm Beach, Naples and Largo will discuss their own pension reform experiences. Attendees will learn what legal, organizational and political obstacles had to be overcome and the strategy each city utilized to make real, lasting reform possible. ([Read more](#))

Melbourne Onsite Training Session



Join FCCMA on February 27, 2013 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Pineda Landing Park's POW/MIA Community Center, 5995 N. US Highway 1/Rockledge Boulevard in Melbourne for an onsite training session on Strategic Planning.

Lyle Sumek and Associates, Inc. is a consulting organization that specializes in team building, strategic planning, and goal setting for local governments. ([Read](#)

[more](#))

ICMA Southeast Regional Summit

Make Your Plans to Attend the ICMA Southeast Regional Summit

The ICMA Southeast Regional Summit is designed to bring together ICMA members, state association members and leaders, and other local government professionals, for professional development and information sharing. Individuals from all eleven states in the region are encouraged to attend. ([Read more](#))

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