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FCCMA Upcoming Deadlines



Please note the following FCCMA deadlines:

- Board Self-Nominations Due January 29, 2015
- FCCMA Award Nominations Due February 2, 2015
- FCCMA Academic Scholarship Application Due February 16, 2015
- FCCMA Emerging Leaders Scholarship Application Due February 16, 2015

If you have any questions regarding these deadlines, please contact Carol Russell at (850) 701-3607 or crussell@flcities.com. [\(Read more\)](#)

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FCCMA Board of Directors Elections - Deadline to apply is tomorrow, January 29



Self-nominations for the At-Large Director and the Secretary-Treasurer positions on the FCCMA Board of Directors are due tomorrow Thursday, January 29. To nominate oneself, a letter expressing interest should be sent to the Nominating Committee, c/o the FCCMA office, PO Box 1757, Tallahassee, FL 32302.

In addition to the letter of interest (or included within it) should be a short resume paying particular attention to FCCMA participation and work experience.

District Director positions are also open for the odd-numbered districts. All district elections must be completed by February 15. If canvassing has not begun in your district and you are interested in serving, contact your district director.

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FCCMA 2015 Awards - Deadline to Nominate is Monday, February 2

Each year at the FCCMA Annual Conference, FCCMA recognizes outstanding individuals who have fostered representative democracy, who have made a significant contribution to the development of new talent or an assistant who has made significant contributions toward excellence in leadership while serving as an assistant or department head. These awards are: Award for Career



Excellence, the Michael J. Roberto Award for Career Development and Assistant for Excellence in Leadership. [\(Read more\)](#)

In Memoriam of Claire Halter

FCCMA wishes to extend its deepest sympathy to Sam Halter, whose wife Claire passed away on Tuesday, January 20, 2015. A memorial service will be held at Canterbury Tower, 3501 Bayshore Boulevard, Tampa on Sunday, February 1 at 2:00 p.m. Visit the family's online guest book at www.blountcurrymacdill.com.

Sam Halter is the former chief administrative officer of Tampa and a longtime Florida manager, former FCCMA Board member and has served as a range rider/senior advisor since 2005. [\(Read more\)](#)

2015 Onsite Training Sessions



FCCMA will hold two onsite training sessions on "CCNA and the Legal Requirements for Purchasing Services in Florida." The first session will be held at the Ironwood Golf Course Clubhouse in Gainesville on February 20. The second session will be held at the St. Petersburg Water Resource Building on March 27. Both sessions will be held from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. This session will cover ICMA Practice Area 5: Performance Measurement/Management and Quality Assurance. [\(Read more\)](#)

Need your four-hours required ethics training?



There are two FCCMA ethics sessions scheduled. The first session will be held February 27 in Palm Beach Gardens. ICMA's Director of Ethics Martha Perego will present and facilitate an interactive session on today's challenges for local government managers.

The second session will be held March 13 in Tallahassee. Special Counsel for Open Government Pat Gleason from the Attorney General's Office and General Counsel and Deputy Director Chris Anderson from the Florida Commission on Ethics will combine for an informal and informative session to specifically discuss ethical requirements, the Commission on Ethics jurisdiction when violations are reported, and the process the Commission pursues in addressing complaints. The session will also cover the Florida Sunshine law and the process involved in addressing those complaints and issues. [\(Read more\)](#)

Economic Forecasting Webinar



A webinar will be held on Thursday, March 5, 2015 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. The topic discussed will be "Economic Forecasting."

Kevin Plenzler's work focuses on forecasting economic development modeling, market analysis, and Florida growth patterns. Attendees at this FCCMA webinar will receive an overview of Florida's economy and its related trends (employment, population, economic recovery, and the housing market). Mr. Plenzler will also address some of Florida's major industries (agriculture, service, health, technology, etc.) and summarize the impact these sub-economies are having on Florida's local governments. As local governments begin preparing for the 2015-16 budget year, Mr. Plenzler's overview (and data) will provide valuable information on trends expected for the next few years. [\(Read more\)](#)

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