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FCCMA 2015 Annual Conference



The FCCMA Annual Conference is next week. We have record attendance and if you have not yet registered, you can still attend and register onsite. There will be no newsletter next week.

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Dennis W. Kelly, 40-Year FCCMA Member



This year Dennis Kelly will be receiving his 40-year Service Award as a member of FCCMA.

Dennis works and lives in Holiday Island, Arkansas, where he serves as the District Manager of the Holiday Island Suburban Improvement District (HISID). When asked what a Suburban Improvement District is, he readily equates it to Florida's Community

Development Districts (CDD's). HISID was started and developed by an independent developer back in the '70's and in the late '80's turned the District over to a duly elected five-member Board of Commissioners with a rotating Chairman that functions as a Mayor. The statutory make up of the District is purely Council/Manager in every respect. Dennis has been in the process of preparing HISID's application to the ICMA for recognition as a Council/Manager form of government. [\(Read more\)](#)

HOMETOWN HEALTH

The League's Hometown Health program is taking off in cities across Florida. Stop by the FMIT booth at the FCCMA conference to learn more.



FCCMA County Members



Dear Fellow FCCMA County Member:

I hope you have already registered for our FCCMA annual conference and that I will see you there. During my professional career in Florida, I have gained a great deal of knowledge. I have grown as a manager, and I have built important collegial relationships at each FCCMA event that I have attended.

I want to see more of my colleagues (county managers, county deputies and assistant managers) take advantage of FCCMA's in-state conference. You might argue that your budget won't sustain it, or you can't get the time away. I understand this reasoning. But, you are needed to help shape FCCMA's county discussions and county focus. Unfortunately, I'm often one of only a handful of county managers in attendance. The larger our numbers, the greater our impact! [\(Read more\)](#)

ICMA 2015 Conference Assistance Scholarships



ICMA offers four conference assistance scholarships. These are divided into four categories:

1. The Young Professional Scholarship is open to any ICMA member with three years' or fewer experience as a full-time local government employee. There is no minimum salary requirement, although salary may be considered during the evaluation process.
2. The Workplace Diversity Scholarship is open to women and minorities. It is the applicant's responsibility to demonstrate (through additional information included in a required essay) how his or her background merits receipt of a diversity scholarship and how the local government and the community served will benefit from the individual's conference attendance. There is no minimum salary or tenure cutoff for the Workplace Diversity Scholarship, although those factors may be considered during the evaluation process.
3. The Member in Transition Scholarship is open to any member enrolled in ICMA's MIT program. [\(Read more\)](#)

In Memoriam of Dick Fellows

Dick Fellows passed away on May 14, 2015. He worked as Town Manager in Orange Park from June, 23, 1975 to June 25, 1980. Prior to that, he worked as the City Manager in Green Cove Springs from August 1970 to June 1975. He also served as the City Manager of Atlantic Beach. He was 88 years old. [\(Read more\)](#)

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