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FCCMA 2015 Annual Conference

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ROOTS 2015 Awards Program

Join your colleagues as they are recognized for their achievements at the Awards Program on Friday, May 29 at 4:15 pm.

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Brand New: Public Service Associate Training Program



City of Seminole Council members unanimously approved a new Inter-Governmental Agreement with St. Petersburg College establishing a "Public Service Associate in Training" program.

This unique program will assist a selected graduate of the St. Petersburg College, Bachelors in Science Public Policy and Administration Program, the ability to springboard his or her career within a City Administration. The Public Service Associate will be assisting the City of Seminole administration with development and completion of special projects that City Directors delegate, such as strategic planning, special budgeting, and capital improvement related tasks.

As described in the St. Petersburg College catalog of courses, *"The Bachelor's degree in Public Policy and Administration prepares individuals to make decisions and influence policy affecting an organization, a community, a whole state or the entire nation. Individuals also learn the ins and outs of policy making and how to become a leader"*. [\(Read more\)](#)

Friday: Deadline to Register for the 2015 FCCMA Annual Conference



May 8 is the deadline to pre-register for the Annual Conference. After May 8 you can still register onsite but the registration cost will be higher.

This conference has a great line up of sessions.

Two pre-conference sessions will be held on Wednesday: So You Want to be a City/County Manager and a session on ethics: Learning from Others' Mistakes. Both sessions are free.

Thursday will begin with the Opening General Session featuring Carey Lohrenz, the Navy's first female Tomcat F-14 fighter pilot. The first round of concurrent sessions will follow the Opening General Session. This year FCCMA collaborated with the members of the Florida Local Government Coalition for the sessions. The Florida Police Chiefs Association, the Florida Local Government Information Systems Association, the Florida Association of Code Enforcement, the Florida Public Relations Association and the Florida Municipal Association for Safety and Health will lead some of the sessions. ([Read more](#))

Need Your Four-Hours Required Ethics Training?



FLC University Continuing Education in Ethics Workshop

Belleview City Hall Commission Chambers
5343 SE Abshier Boulevard
Belleview, FL 34420
June 15, 2015, 1:00 pm - 5:15 pm

This course meets the FCCMA membership requirement for the four hours of ethics training. Through the FLC University, this course is open to any municipal elected officials or staff from member cities at no cost. Click here to download the registration form or register online. Space is limited. Contact Sandi McKamey at smckamey@belleviewfl.org for more information. ([Read more](#))

Bond Basics 101 Webinar Tomorrow



A webinar will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2015 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. The topic discussed will be "Bond Basics 101."

As communities consider funding for capital projects (buildings, roads, and other infrastructure), decisions need to be made on how best to fund these projects. Some are better financed with a "pay as you go" approach while others are more suited to be financed through debt which is intended to spread the financial obligation out many years while the infrastructure is being used. For those communities that finance some of their capital using debt, they must then determine what type of debt instruments should be considered. This webinar will focus on "bond financing" as one of these alternatives. More specifically, attendees of this FCCMA webinar will learn the full range of bond financing and will gain knowledge on how to identify when and how to use bond financing as well as gain understanding on the process and steps involved and the key players and tax implications that are part of this debt instrument. Mr. Underwood provides a very informative presentation that incorporates financial terminology into "layman's terms." ([Read more](#))

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