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Sharing Expertise - A Partnership Opportunity

by Lynn Tipton, FCCMA Executive Director

When I think back to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, I'm so heartened by the many FCCMA members who volunteered to go and help...not just New Orleans, but also the small towns in Alabama and Mississippi. You brought back amazing stories and helped us realize that our disaster recovery plans are better than many other states. I also know that many of your cities and counties reached out with donations to Haiti following their devastating earthquakes in 2010. One of FCCMA's best qualities has always been its willingness to reach out and share best practices, equipment and personnel - such big hearts among all of you!

(Read more)

Big Data/Open Data Survey: Coming Soon!

All FCCMA managers, deputies and assistants will soon receive an important survey. It was approved by the FCCMA board of directors and the results will be shared with us, and with members of the Florida Local Government Coalition. We have partnered with the University of South Florida, School of Public Administration for the survey. Given the international focus on data and what can be done with it, the board of directors believes this is quite timely. You will each receive the link to the survey next week (week of March 23). Thank you in advance for completing it before the deadline! (Read more)
Henry (Woody) Wood passed away in early January 2015. He was the husband of FCCMA member Susan Boyer. Susan has served as Manager in several Florida cities. She currently serves as the Executive Director for the Florida Benchmarking Consortium.

FCCMA recently learned of Woody's passing and would like to extend its deepest sympathies. If you would like to contact Susan, her contact information is in the FCCMA directory. (Read more)

March 2015 New Members

The following membership applications have been received. If no current member comes forth with a reason why these applicants should not be approved as members, he/she will be invoiced for dues. Jay Boodheshwar, District IV, Deputy Town Manager, Town of Palm Beach, Full Member; (Read more)

LinkedIn Reviews at the FCCMA 2015 Annual Conference

Renee Lewis, Director Client Services, Career Partners International, Florida Caribbean, along with Jim Taylor, will provide one-on-one reviews of members' LinkedIn profiles from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Thursday, May 28 and Friday, May 29.

If you are interested in signing up for a review, please contact Lynn Lovallo at (850) 701-3635 or llovallo@flcities.com. (Read more)

Leading Communities: A Southeast Regional Workshop on Collaborative Leadership

The Participation Company in partnership with ICMA will hold a two-day workshop entitled "Leading Communities." It will be held May 5 & 6, 2015 at the Hilton Orlando Altamonte Springs, 350 South Northlake Boulevard, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701. The registration fees are $395 which include a light breakfast and lunch each day. One student scholarship coordinated through the local universities will be provided for every eight registrations received. To register online, click here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/leading-communities-workshop-tickets-16182050950

A room block is reserved at the Hilton at the rate of $99 per night.

For more information email: sarno@theparticipationcompany.com, or call (301) 798-2713. (Read more)

CCNA and the Legal Requirements for Purchasing Services in Florida

FCCMA will hold an onsite training session on “CCNA and the Legal Requirements for Purchasing Services in Florida.” The session will be held at the St. Petersburg Water Resource Building on March 27 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. This session will cover ICMA Practice Area 5: Performance Measurement/Management and Quality Assurance. The cost to attend is $49 per person, $15 for students. Lunch is included. (Read more)

So You Want to be a City/County Manager? Webinar on April 2

A webinar will be held on Thursday, April 2, 2015 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm. The topic discussed will be "So You Want to be a City/County Manager?" This is a condensed version of the full-day “So You Want to Be a City/County Manager?” that FCCMA offers each year as part of its annual conference. This beneficial webinar will focus on how young and mid-career professionals, and students can prepare themselves to progress in the local government management profession. Panelists will share their stories, discuss strategies that have worked for them and describe "lessons learned" in their careers. This is a very informal and interactive session so questions from attendees will be encouraged. (Read more)