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Port Orange Symposium - Sign up by Monday!

The FCCMA Professional Development Committee has planned the fall symposium, “The Challenge of Providing Services for the Next Five Years.” You have a choice of attending the symposium on November 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Port Orange Lakeside Pavilion or on November 30 at the Sarasota Hyatt. The November 30 symposium is in conjunction with the Florida Association of Counties Legislative Conference; and if you are attending FAC’s conference, you may attend the November 30 symposium for free. (Read More)

November 15 Webinar

Don’t miss the webinar “Simplified Strategic Planning - What All Agencies Can Do” on November 15 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Eastern. This will cover ICMA Practice Area 13: Strategic Planning.

Over the last five years, local governments have seen reduced revenues, cuts in personnel, frozen wages, unfunded mandates, and plenty of uncertainty about expectations for future budgets. Changing citizen expectations and advancements in technology has caused professional managers, more than ever, to ready themselves and their organizations to meet these challenges. (Read more)

“Water Issues and Innovations” Symposium

The Florida League of Cities’ Center for Municipal Research and Innovation will hold a symposium on Wednesday, November 14 from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm at the Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport (Regency DE). The title of the symposium is “Water Issues and Innovations.”

Speakers will discuss: Water in Central Florida: Strategies and Initiatives at a Regional Level, and Public-Private Partnerships: Private Perspectives on Municipal Water Management. (Read more)

B. Harold Farmer and Conference Scholarships

FCCMA offers two scholarships. The B. Harold Farmer Scholarship is a scholarship for students who are pursuing a public administration or related degree at a Florida-based university during the summer or fall of 2013. The scholarship recipient will receive a $2,500 scholarship toward his/her
education and an all-expense paid trip to attend the FCCMA Annual Conference. The attendance at the Conference allows the student a networking opportunity to meet people working in the field.

The FCCMA Annual Conference Emerging Leaders Scholarship is designed to allow public administration students and entry-level city and county management professionals interested in continuing their academic and professional development as professional public managers to attend the annual conference. The FCCMA conference is a professional development program designed to promote continued education and networking opportunities in the municipal and county management profession. The scholarship is awarded to individuals once per lifetime.

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