



Local Government Educational Programming

Iowa State Extension and Outreach collaborates with local governments to develop the leadership skills and knowledge needed to generate policies for the betterment of Iowa's communities.

We have expertise in:

- Goal Setting and Strategic Planning
- Data Collection and Interpretation
- Budgeting and Finance
- Planning and Zoning
- Nuisance Abatement
- Council and Board Effectiveness
- Open Meetings / Open Records
- Grant Writing
- Tax Increment Financing
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

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Goal Setting and Strategic Planning

For local government councils, boards and commissions to address critical issues, identify priorities, and develop action plans to accomplish those priorities.

Introduction to Planning and Zoning

Basic training for local officials and staff working in the area of land use planning.

City Finance 101

Understand city financial information to make better decisions regarding budgets, projects and safeguarding the assets of a community.

Township Trustee Training

The basics for township trustees and clerks including open meetings, finance, and state codes governing townships.

Iowa Government Finance Initiative Workshop

More deeply understand issues relating to public finance, debt capacity, and community and economic development.

Council / Board Effectiveness Training

Training on legal requirements such as open meetings, public records, gifts, and conflict-of-interest laws, duties, and methods for enhancing board effectiveness.

Nuisance Abatement

Learn the basics of developing and enforcing local nuisance abatement codes.

Local Government Management Training

Extended training for city staff on essential knowledge for including finance, managing conflict, and human resources.

Municipal Professionals Institute and Academy

Offered every July with a variety of courses to assist municipal professionals in their day-to-day duties.

Budget, Examinations, and Accounting for Municipalities

Hands on training for accurately completing required financial reports, budgets and proper internal control procedures for cities.



Other Training Needs?

We are able to offer additional training programs on a wide variety of topics including: Open Meetings / Records, Tax Increment Financing (TIF), Grant Writing, Geographic Information Systemys (GIS), and Customer Service Training for Local Government Employees.