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## October 13, 2021

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**Municipal Clerks:** Please forward to your Mayor, Governing Body, and Department Heads.

To assist in providing guidance and information we have created a [COVID-19 resource page](#). We will continue to update the page as we get pertinent information and include announcements in our Daily Updates.

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### I. Today: NJCRC Hosting Virtual Cannabis Information Webinar

The New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission (NJCRC) is hosting an [informational webinar](#) today, October 13, at 7 p.m. The webinar will cover an overview of the recreational cannabis rules, a breakdown of the social equity provisions, what potential applicants can do to prepare for applications, protections for financial service agreements and other contracts, and expectations for neighborhoods with cannabis businesses.

For more information and a link to the Zoom webinar, please see the [NJCRC's announcement](#).

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### II. Upcoming League Webinars

## **a. Labor Negotiations 2021 – Understanding Collective Negotiations, Interest Arbitration and Chapter 78 Update and the Impact of COVID-19**

Friday, October 22, 2021  
9:00 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.  
Your Computer

**CEUs:** CMFO/CCFO- 4.0 Off Mgmt/Anc, CTC-4.0 Gen/Sec, CPWM-2.0 MGMT, 2.0 Govt, RMC- 4.0 Prof Devel, QPA-4.0 Off Admin/Gen Duties; RPPO/RPPS-4.0 M/S; CPA-4.0 Fin; NJCLE-4.0, PACLE-3.5\*; Local Government Leadership Program-3 points

Registration Information can be found at the [October 22 Calendar Announcement](#).

## **b. Best Practices for a Diverse Municipal Workplace**

Tuesday, October 26, 2021  
9:00 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.  
Location: Your Computer

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Registration Information can be found at the [October 26 Calendar Announcement](#).

## **c. Understanding Library Law as Applied to Your Public Library**

Friday, December 3, 2021  
11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.  
Your Computer

**CEUs:** CMFO/CCFO- 1.5 Off Mgmt/Anc, CTC- 1.5 Gen/Sec, CPWM-1.5 1.5 Tech, RMC- 1.5 Prof Devel, QPA-1.5 Off Admin/Gen Duties; RPPO/RPPS-1.5 M/S, CPA-1.5 FIN, NJCLE-1.5, PACLE-1.0\*; Local Government Leadership Program-3 points

Registration Information can be found at the [December 3 Calendar Announcement](#).  
Looking for more educational programming announcements? Visit our [League seminar page](#) or our social media pages.

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## **III. Conference Connections**

### **Housing Reminder**

October 15 is the deadline to book housing online. October 8 was the deadline to use the Universal Housing Form.

After October 15, call A.C. Central Reservations at 866-643-0044 to book housing for the Annual League Conference. Please specify that you are a League Conference delegate and they will assist you.

## **Session Spotlight**

The League Conference, Sustainable Jersey, and League Affiliates are concerned about environmental impacts on municipalities ranging from infrastructure to plastic bags. The sessions listed below will provide you with insights into environmental issues facing local government and the myriad resources available to your community to help address these concerns.

**These sessions include:**

### **Tuesday, Nov. 16**

**1:30 p.m. Room 405/406** New Jersey Climate Change Initiatives & Impacts on Local Governments. An overview of the key elements of New Jersey's climate objectives and what tools and resources are available to municipal governments to implement these goals at the local level. (LGLP)

**1:30 p.m. Room 420** Stormwater: Tools to Help Municipalities Weather the Storm. Learn about strategies that municipalities are using to better manage stormwater from high-intensity rains. Information on funding and technical assistance will be shared as well as how all these actions fit within Sustainable Jersey's new Gold Star in Water.

**3:30 p.m. Room 421** Bringing the Clean Energy Revolution to Your Community. Strategically engaging your community to achieve the priorities set forth in New Jersey's Energy Master Plan can benefit everyone in your community while helping the state reach its energy goals. Bringing the clean energy revolution to your community can help residents and businesses reduce energy costs while improving the local quality of life for all.

**3:30 p.m. Room 401** New Jersey Clean Communities: Exploring the Implementation of the Plastic Bag Law. New Jersey Clean Communities will be taking an in-depth look at the Plastic Bag Ban legislation.

### **Wednesday Nov. 17**

**9 a.m. Room 421** Resources to Support Local Sustainability Initiatives. New Jersey Clean Communities will be taking an in-depth look at the Plastic Bag Ban legislation.

**1:30 p.m. Room 417** New Jersey's Transition to an Equitable Green Economy. NJDEP Commissioner Shawn LaTourette, Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Climate Action and the Green Economy, Jane Cohen, and NJEDA Chief Executive Tim Sullivan will discuss New Jersey's plans to be a leader in environmental justice and the transition to an equitable clean energy economy.

**1:30 p.m. Room 421** Making the Most of Solar in New Jersey. Municipalities play a key role in ensuring the benefits of renewable energy reach all members of the community, from community solar projects to policies that support adoption of solar on residential and

commercial properties. Opportunities to promote solar adoption throughout the community as well as case studies of community solar projects demonstrating multiple community benefits, from reuse of brownfields to workforce development.

### **Thursday, Nov. 18**

**10:45 a.m. Room 405/406** Technical Assistance Programs for Climate Resilience. While there is much debate regarding how much and when sea-level rise and climate change will impact New Jersey, one thing is certain: it will come and it will affect all of New Jersey in both coastal and inland communities. We need to start addressing the issue now in order to manage what happens in the not-too-distant future. Come hear about technical assistance programs that the Office of Planning Advocacy within the Business Action Center in the Department of State can offer communities to assist in identifying vulnerabilities and how to address them.

**10:45 a.m. Room 421** Municipal Fleet Electrification. Best practices, procurement strategies, and case studies of municipal fleet electrification initiatives, as well as funding opportunities for fleet electrification from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

**1:30 p.m. Room 401** Farmland & Solar, Coexisting in Harmony. What power do municipalities have, or not have, to regulate solar under MLUL? Prior laws declared solar development an “inherently beneficial use” and the recent Dual Use law designates projects approved on working farms to be “permitted uses” under municipal zoning. What can municipalities do to prepare for and properly regulate solar development.

All sessions will be held at the Atlantic City Convention Center

For more information on these and other sessions, visit the League’s website at [www.njlm.org](http://www.njlm.org) or [106th Annual Conference Homepage](#). The latest listing of sessions offering [Continuing Education Units \(CEUs\)](#) is also posted at the conference webpage. The [Annual Conference App](#) is now available for download and be sure to read more about these sessions and the Conference in the October and November editions of our magazine, *New Jersey Municipalities*.

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