"I've been an appointed official for many years and active participation in the Planning and Community Development Department has helped my professional development, provided exposure to legislative advocacy, networking and more. Whether you're from a small city or large, your participation can provide you with insight as to how issues will affect you."

Lou Munoz, planning commissioner
 CITY OF RANCHO CUCAMONGA

"Get involved in the League's Planning and Community Development Department! It's a great way to expand your horizons, keep your finger on the legislative pulse of Sacramento and build a bond with planning professionals from across the state."

Niroop Srivatsa, planning and building services director
 CITY OF LAFAYETTE

"The Planning and Community Development Department has proven to be a valuable resource to me professionally and the agency I serve. Together with the League, the Department organizes the Planning Commissioner's Academy, which offers a range of high quality educational opportunities for new and returning commissioners and staff, as well as timely legislative updates and ample networking events."

Peter Pirnejad, development services director
 CITY OF PALO ALTO



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The department provides numerous services, resources and opportunities for California's city planners and planning commissioners.

Education

Hone your skills as a planner or planning commissioner by participating in specially-designed educational training, including:

- The annual Planning Commissioners Academy, which includes sessions for both new and advanced commissioners and planning staff;
- Professional-development focused webinars; and
- Sessions on city issues at the League's Annual Conference.



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Advocacy

Work with the League as it advocates for the interest of cities on statewide issues that affect city planning matters by:

 Keeping abreast of breaking legislative developments through the CA Cities Advocate email newsletter, Western City magazine, legislative briefings and the Housing, Community and Economic Development Listserv.



- Joining a League policy committee;
- Participating in monthly department conference calls; and
- Working with your city manager
 and city council to respond to League calls to action on
 planning-related legislation.



Networking

Connect with your colleagues from throughout California to:

- Build professional relationships;
- Tap into planning trends and resources;
- Exchange best practices through the HCED Listserv; and
- Partner with professionals and other elected officials across League departments to improve local government.

For more information, visit www.cacities.org/planning.

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