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CALTRUST Announces Government Money Market Fund

CALTRUST recently announced the launch and initial funding of the CalTRUST Government Money Market Fund (MMF). The CalTRUST Government MMF is a stable-value (fixed \$1 share price) investment option available to all California local agency investors.
For more, see Page 2.



Public Works Department's James L. Martin Award Nominations due March 1

The League of California Cities® Public Works Officers Department is now accepting nominations for the 2016 James L. Martin award, named in honor of Jim Martin who dedicated his career towards advancing the public works profession and supporting the efforts of the League.
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Legislation Proposes Changes to Mosquito Abatement and Vector Control District Appointment Process

League Seeks Input from City Officials in Affected Eight Counties

Assembly Member Gordon's (D-Menlo Park) [AB 1362](#) would allow changes to the appointment process for mosquito abatement and vector control districts that are located within a single county and contain incorporated and unincorporated territory. It would authorize a city selection committee to make appointments to the board of trustees of mosquito and vector districts and decrease the number of cities represented if a majority of city councils located within the district adopt authorizing resolutions.
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The new CalTRUST Government MMF gives local agency investors:

- A stable \$1 NAV, with no redemption gates or fees;
- Same-day access to your funds until 1 p.m. PT every business day;
- "AAAm" and "Aaa-mf" ratings from S&P and Moody's, respectively;
- Highly competitive money market rates - with a current seven-day net yield of 0.16 percent, as of Jan. 11, 2016 — with over \$32 billion in total assets;
- Lowest available expense ratio in Select class shares; and
- Full compliance with all provisions of Rule 2a-(7) governing SEC-registered MMFs.

The CalTRUST Government MMF joins the existing CalTRUST fund line-up, which includes the CalTRUST Heritage MMF, the CalTRUST Short-Term Fund and the CalTRUST Medium-Term Fund. As is the case with these other CalTRUST funds, investors are not required to join the CalTRUST joint powers authority to invest in the Government MMF. More details on the CalTRUST Access Government MMF [online](#).

For additional information about the CalTRUST funds please contact:

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The James L. Martin Award is an opportunity to recognize an individual's outstanding career service, leadership, expertise and innovation in the public works field. In addition to recognizing the outstanding contributions made by its recipient, the James L. Martin Award fosters continued professional development by providing the recipient an opportunity to attend a future Public Works Officers Institute.

The James L. Martin Award will be presented at the 2016 Public Works Officers Institute on March 9-11 in Sacramento. For more information about the conference, or to register, visit the League's [website](#).

In order to be eligible, a candidate must meet the following criteria:

- The candidate must be a full-time employee of a California city, or have retired from municipal employment within the past year.
- The candidate must demonstrate a commitment to the public works profession and the League of California Cities on a statewide basis.
- The candidate must have made continuous and valuable contributions to the public works profession, deserving of the James L. Martin Award.

Nominations must be received no later than noon on March 1 for consideration.

Please download the [nomination form](#).

Nominations may be sent to the League by:

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Please contact [Meghan McKelvey](#) with questions or comments at (916) 658-8253.

The League does not currently have a position on the bill but now that it has moved to the Senate, staff is seeking feedback from city officials in the eight affected counties on potential impacts. The bill would affect cities in the following counties according to the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC): San Mateo, Contra Costa, Merced, Lake, San Joaquin, Orange, Placer, and Napa.

Cities in these counties are urged to complete [the online survey](#) by Friday, Feb. 12 at 5 p.m.

Background

Under the existing law, Mosquito Abatement and Vector Control Districts with countywide boundaries have a board of trustees composed of one representative from each city within the district and one representative from the Board of Supervisors. For example, Orange County has 34 incorporated cities resulting in a 35 member board. A board must not have less than five members.

MVCAC opposes AB 1362. The organization's members have not raised concerns over the size of their boards and feel that it unnecessarily makes changes to longstanding state law. There is some concern that a city selection committee appointment process will result in inequitable representation as some cities will lose their ability to make their own appointments.

Assembly Member Rich Gordon (D-Menlo Park) believes that his bill would provide cities and counties with the flexibility to better manage districts that are believed to be oversized and difficult to manage as well as burdensome to cities who may find it difficult to appoint new members for two or four year terms.

Please contact League Policy Analyst [Nicholas Romo](#) with any questions.

Free Two-Hour Online Course Offered on How to Run an Ethical Political Campaign and Win

Santa Clara University's Markkula Center for Applied Ethics is offering a free two-hour massive open online course (MOOC) for candidates, political consultants and campaign staff on how to run an ethical political campaign. This self-paced course can be taken between Feb. 15 and June 18. Taught by Hana Callaghan the center's director of the Government Ethics Program, the course includes experts from California's political community.

Expert guests include:

- Tom Campbell, dean, Chapman University School of Law, former five-term U.S. representative;
- U.S. Representative Anna Eshoo (CA-18);
- Sen. Steve Glazer (D-Orinda); and
- Santa Clara County Supervisor and Former Sen. Joe Simitian.

Topics covered:

- What Are Campaign Ethics?
- Crafting the Campaign Message
- Attacks, Counter-Attacks, and Dirty Tricks
- Substantive, Transparent, and Consistent Commitments
- Managing Donor Expectations
- Special Dilemmas Facing Incumbents
- Building the Ethical Campaign Organization
- How to Win When You Run an Ethical Campaign

[Register online.](#)

[Additional information](#) is available online.

Please contact [Hana Callaghan](#) with additional questions.
