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## **WEBINAR: Legislative Action Day Preview: Briefing on Priority Bills**

Join the League's Legislative team on Thursday, April 21 from 1:30-3 p.m. for a legislative briefing to review the top priority bills that will impact local governments. League lobbyists will be sharing information on legislation affecting transportation funding, employee relations, public safety and local control. *For more, see Page 2.*



## **League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$282,555,000 in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Student Housing on the University of California, Irvine Campus**

Some of the most significant benefits of League membership for cities since 1988 have flowed from the League's co-sponsorship of the [California Statewide Communities Development Authority](#) (CSCDA). This program provides a variety of public agencies and developers access to low-cost, tax-exempt financing and economic development tools. CSCDA recently issued \$282,555,000 in tax-exempt refunding revenue bonds for student housing facilities located on campus at the University of California, Irvine. *For more, see Page 2.*



## **Groundwater Workshops Underway**

Workshops are underway on the [Prop. 1 groundwater sustainability program](#), including stops for the State Water Resources Control Board to take public comment in San Luis Obispo, March 21, and Rancho Cordova, March 25.

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The League's Legislative Action Day is scheduled for April 27 where city officials will have the opportunity to lobby legislators. This webinar will provide you with the information on priority bills that you will need to successfully advocate on behalf of your city.

Please register for this free webinar at [www.cacities.org/events](http://www.cacities.org/events) by 12 noon on Wednesday, April 20. Webinar log-in information will be sent the afternoon of Wednesday, April 20.

For most League webinars only one connection is allowed per city. However, due to the capacity for this webinar, the League is allowing two connections per city to provide easier access for its members.

For registration questions, please contact [Megan Dunn](#).

\*This webinar is free to League member cities and League Partners. Non-member cities will be charged \$100 per login.

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### **About CHF-Irvine and the East Campus Apartments**

The UC-Irvine East Campus Apartments, owned by CHF-Irvine, L.L.C. (CHF Irvine) and operated by American Campus Communities, comprises 5,163 student beds developed in three phases between 2005 and 2010. Collegiate Housing Foundation, a nonprofit corporation (the Foundation), is the sole member of CHF Irvine. The Foundation was organized in 1996 exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including assisting its member colleges and universities in providing housing for their enrolled students and faculty and otherwise assisting its member colleges and universities in furtherance of their educational missions.

The transaction is comprised of the refinancing of two separate student housing facilities representing Phase II and Phase III of the UC-Irvine East Campus Apartments. The facilities were originally funded with bonds issued by CSCDA in 2004, 2006 and 2008. CSCDA and CHF-Irvine partnered with Barclays to underwrite the \$282,555,000 in tax-exempt refunding revenue bonds which are expected to generate \$3.5 million in annual debt service savings.

### **Background**

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the League of California Cities<sup>®</sup> and the California State Association of Counties. It was created by cities and counties for cities and counties. More than 500 cities, counties and special districts are program participants in CSCDA, which serves as their conduit issuer and provides access to efficiently finance locally-approved projects. CSCDA has issued more than \$50 billion in tax exempt bonds for projects that provide a public benefit by creating jobs, affordable housing, healthcare, infrastructure, schools and other fundamental services. Visit CSCDA's [website](#) for additional information on the ways in which CSCDA can help your city.

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For a full schedule of meetings, registration information and fact sheets on the \$900 million program are available [online](#).

Cities that have started a FFAST application for the Prop. 1 groundwater sustainability program have until 4 p.m. on Friday to complete the application.

Passed by voters in November 2014, Prop. 1 authorizes \$7.5 billion in general obligation bonds to fund water supply infrastructure projects, including surface and groundwater storage, drinking water protection, and ecosystems and watershed protection and restoration. View the Prop. 1 overview [online](#) for more information.

Visit the State Water Resources Control Board [website](#) for a full list of Prop. 1 grant and loan programs, which also include wastewater, water recycling, drinking water and stormwater.

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## **March 23 Seminar in Oakland to Focus on Using Graywater and Stormwater to Enhance Local Water Supplies**

*Event to be Simultaneously Webcast*

The State Water Resources Control Board is co-sponsoring a seminar on Wednesday, March 23 on the recent report from the National Academy of Sciences, *Using Graywater and Stormwater to Enhance Local Water Supplies: An Assessment of Risks, Costs, and Benefits*.

The report's committee chair, Dr. Richard Luthy, will be presenting an overview. The report examines the potential for non-potable use of graywater and stormwater, focusing on the technical, economic, regulatory, and social issues surrounding the use of these untapped resources.

### **Event Details**

Wednesday, March 23, 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Oakland City Hall, Hearing Room 1

1 Frank H Ogawa Plaza, Oakland, CA

[Live webcast](#)

### **Report Background**

From the report description on the National Academies Press website:

“Despite the benefits of using local alternative water sources to address water demands, many questions remain that have limited the broader application of graywater and stormwater capture and use. In particular, limited information is available on the costs, benefits, and risks of these projects, and beyond the simplest applications many state and local public health agencies have not developed regulatory frameworks for full use of these local water resources.

To address these issues, *Using Graywater and Stormwater to Enhance Local Water Supplies* analyzes the risks, costs, and benefits on various uses of graywater and stormwater. This report examines technical, economic, regulatory, and social issues associated with graywater and stormwater capture for a range of uses, including non-potable urban uses, irrigation, and groundwater recharge. *Using Graywater and Stormwater to Enhance Local Water Supplies* considers the quality and suitability of water for reuse, treatment and storage technologies, and human health and environmental risks of water reuse. The findings and recommendations of this report will be valuable for water managers, citizens of states under a current drought, and local and state health and environmental agencies.”

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