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## **Session Proposal Deadline Extended for 2017 Public Works Officers Institute**

*Proposal due July 27*

The deadline is fast approaching to submit session proposals and speakers for the League of California Cities® 2017 Public Works Officers Institute. This is a chance to share best practices, innovative approaches, as well as research and information with these groups. Do not miss this opportunity to help design a stimulating, thought-provoking conference for this group.

*For more, see Page 2.*



## **July 18 State Disability Access Commission Hearing in Sacramento to Focus on ADA Complaints and Demands**

In efforts to fulfill its mission to promote dialogue and collaboration between the disability and business communities, the California Commission on Disability Access will hold its Full Commission meeting on July 18 featuring unique panel presentation(s) from the law firms representing the top 64 percent of alleged ADA complaints and/or demand letters reported in 2015. The information was first reported in the commission's 2015 Annual Report to the Legislature. *For more, see Page 2.*



## **U.S. Communities Announces New Specialty Vehicle Solutions Contract**

U.S. Communities, the League-sponsored government purchasing alliance, is excited to announce that Farber Specialty Vehicles has been awarded a multi-year contract to provide specialty vehicles, equipment and accessories and any related equipment, supplies and services. The contract was awarded through a competitive solicitation process conducted by lead public agency, Port of Portland, Oregon. The contract term is for three years with a start date of June 1, 2016, with the option to extend the contract for two additional periods of one year each. To learn more about this new contract, watch this [complimentary webinar](#). *For more, see Page 2.*

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[2017 Public Works Officers Institute & Expo, March 22–24 at Paradise Point in San Diego](#)

Proposal deadline is Wednesday, July 27

Please contact [Katie Sacco](#) at (916) 658-8251 for questions.

Please review this submission information:

- Submissions, non-commercial in nature, from any individual, group, business or organization, on any topic are welcome.
- Sessions may not include sales, commercialism or product promotion of any kind.
- Ideas need to be fully completed and submitted through the online proposal form to be considered by the committee.
- There is a limit to the amount of words allowed within the title and description of each proposal. Writing proposals in a word-processing program first and pasting the final version into the online form is recommended.
- The Program Planning Advisory Committee will consider the educational value of proposals and the extent to which it presents new and/or significant information.
- Please forward and share this opportunity with others.

For more information on this event, please visit the [Public Works Officers Institute](#) page on the League website.

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The Full Commission meeting will be hosted by the California Division of State Architect (DSA) at the two locations below, with law firms represented at both locations.

- DSA Headquarters  
1102 Q Street, 5th Floor, Conference Room B  
Sacramento, CA 95811  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- The DSA Regional office  
700 North Alameda Street, 5th Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The meeting will also be available via [teleconference](#) and online webcast captioning.

More information regarding the meeting can be located on the commission's [website](#). For questions, please contact Angela Jemmott at (916) 319-9974.

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Through this contract, agencies will have access to top-notch engineering, talented construction personnel and an elite service department dedicated to world-class service that provides:

- Mobile Police & Fire Command Centers, Crime Scene, SWAT, HAZMAT, Bomb Units, DUI-BAT;
- Mobile Medical, Dental Screening, Mammography Screening, Audiology;
- Mobile Classrooms, STEM Labs, Laboratories, Computer Labs;
- Book Mobiles; and
- Custom Design.

For more information on Faber Specialty Vehicles and other U.S. Communities contracts, visit the U.S. Communities [website](#).

## **About U.S. Communities**

The U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, a strategic partner of the League of California Cities®, is a government purchasing cooperative that reduces the cost of goods and services by aggregating the purchasing power of public agencies nationwide. U.S. Communities provides world class procurement resources and solutions to local and state government agencies, school districts (K-12), higher education, and nonprofits. State and local governments have access to a broad line of competitively solicited contracts with best in class national suppliers.

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## **League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$12.1 Million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Affordable Housing Apartments in Stockton**

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 a total of issued \$12,100,000 in tax-exempt multi-family affordable housing bonds for Meridian Pointe Apartments in Stockton.

### **About Meridian Pointe Apartments**

Meridian Pointe Apartments is an acquisition and rehabilitation of 186 multifamily affordable housing apartments by Stockton Meridian Pointe, LP. The project sponsor is Central California Housing Corporation (CCHC), an affiliate of Affordable Housing Development Corporation. Meridian Pointe will continue to be 100 percent affordable and provide two- and four-bedroom apartments to very low- and low-income residents in Stockton.

CSCDA and CCHC partnered with Wells Fargo Bank to provide tax-exempt multifamily affordable housing bonds for Meridian Pointe. The rehabilitation will include site improvements including ADA accessible routes and the creation of accessible units and updating the landscape and irrigation systems to be more efficient. The community building will also be renovated. Building renovation includes replacing the HVAC systems, new energy efficient windows, roofs, stairways and railings. Unit renovations include new countertops, cabinets, appliances, kitchen and bath flooring, plumbing fixtures, entry doors and hardware, and interior lighting to make the residential units more efficient and livable for the residents. The financing of Meridian Pointe will maintain the affordability of units for low-income tenants for 55 years.

### **Background**

CSCDA is a joint powers authority created in 1988 and is sponsored by the League of California Cities® 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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## **Workshops Available to Help Small Businesses Become ADA Compliant**

The [California Pollution Control Financing Authority \(CPCFA\)](#), chaired by State Treasurer John Chiang, will conduct workshops to discuss the proposed regulations for the recently introduced [California Capital Access Program \(CalCAP\) Americans with Disabilities \(ADA\) Financing Program \(CalCAP/ADA\)](#).

The CalCAP/ADA Financing Program encourages lenders to provide financing for small businesses to complete retrofits and modifications necessary for ADA compliance. CalCAP/ADA, currently in the program development phase, is offering webinars to introduce the program and solicit input as CPCFA initiates the rulemaking process.

To register for the stakeholder meetings, please send an [email](#) with the subject line "CalCAP/ADA Stakeholder Workshop-[location]."

### **Workshop Details**

Wednesday, July 13  
Oakland  
Elihu M. Harris State Building  
1515 Clay Street, Room 15 550  
10:00 a.m. to noon

Thursday, July 14  
Sacramento  
State Personnel Board  
Capitol Mall, Room 150  
1 to 3 p.m.

Tuesday, July 19  
Fresno  
UC Merced Fresno Center  
E Shaw Ave., Inyo/Kern Room  
10:00 a.m. to noon

### **Webcast Details and Information**

Presentations and audio for the July 14 meeting *only* will be broadcast over the Internet with remote access available by computer or phone. [Register online](#) for remote access or email [CalCAP@treasurer.ca.gov](mailto:CalCAP@treasurer.ca.gov).

Please [email](#) CalCAP staff with questions about the program or workshops.

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### **Application Period Open for New California Urban Rivers Grant Program** *Technical Assistance Workshops Available*

The California Natural Resources Agency recently announced the release of its guidelines and application for the California Urban Rivers Grant Program. The program is funded by the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, Proposition 1. Solicitation is now open for the first-round funding cycle.

The guidelines include information to assist in preparing an application for funding. Cities are encouraged to read the [guidelines, application and forms](#) in their entirety for important information on project eligibility, evaluation criteria and submission requirements.

### **Technical Assistance Workshops**

Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend one of the five technical assistance workshops which provide help in preparing grant applications.

#### **Monday, July 25**

1 to 4 p.m.  
Inglewood Public Library  
Gladys Waddingham Lecture Hall,  
101 W. Manchester Blvd.  
Inglewood, CA 90301

**Friday July 29**

1 to 4 p.m.

San Jose State Building  
100 Paseo de San Antonio  
San Jose, CA 95113

**Tuesday, Aug. 2**

1 to 4 p.m.

5500 Overland Ave.  
1st Floor, Council Chambers  
San Diego, CA 92123

**Tuesday, Aug. 9**

1 to 4 p.m.

Redding City Hall  
Community Room  
777 Cypress Ave.  
Redding, CA 96001

To attend a workshop, please email [urban.rivers@resources.ca.gov](mailto:urban.rivers@resources.ca.gov).

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