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Late Breaking Sessions Added to League Annual Conference Schedule
Early Bird Registration Ends Aug. 10

Two new sessions have just been added to the lineup for the League of California Cities® [Annual Conference & Expo](#), Oct. 5 – 7 in Long Beach: Lower Your OPEB Liability through the League Health Benefits Marketplace and Massage Establishments — Challenges and Solutions.
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Now Accepting Proposals for the 2017 Planning Commissioners Academy
Deadline to Submit is Aug. 9

Do you have an idea for a new planning commissioner’s session that will inspire and motivate attendees? Maybe you know of a colleague that would be an excellent speaker? The League of California Cities® is searching for speakers and session topics for the 2017 conference to be held March 1–3 at the Los Angeles Airport Marriott. *For more, see Page 2.*



Upcoming Cities for Workforce Health Webinar on Establishing and Implementing Healthy Workplace Policies

Join the League Partner program [Cities for Workforce Health](#) on Aug. 11 for a free one-hour webinar on workplace wellness policies. Scheduled from 10-11 a.m., the session will feature three expert panelists that will also cover specific examples of how policies support wellness programs, steps that lead to responsive and sound policy and available tools.
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Lower Your OPEB Liability through the League Health Benefits Marketplace

Cities are struggling to cope with growing OPEB unfunded liabilities due to high health insurance costs for their retirees. At this session learn how you can increase choices for your employees and retirees and possibly lower your OPEB costs and liabilities through the League's new Health Benefits Marketplace.

Massage Establishments — Challenges and Solutions

Hear how cities and the California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC) can work together to protect the public and stop the hijacking of the legitimate therapeutic profession of massage by criminal enterprises. Focus will be on best practices engaged by cities respecting both legitimate businesses without being overly burdensome and allow for quick action against illicit massage establishments. Topics include local Revocable Registrations for massage establishments and information sharing with and from CAMTC.

The full [schedule](#) and [announcement with session information](#) have additional information about the conference.

Early bird [registration](#) closes Aug. 10 with a \$50 discount.

Pease contact [Dayna Casper](#) with questions.

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This two-and-a half day conference is for new and experienced planning commissioners, planning directors, staff and other interested officials including elected officials and focuses on current issues and timely topics that will assist planners in their daily roles and operations within their city.

Submit complete proposals through the online [proposal form](#) by the deadline of Aug. 9 to be considered by the committee. There is a limit to the amount of words allowed within the title and description of each proposal. It is recommended that proposals are written in a word-processing program first, and then paste the final version into the online form.

Submissions from any individual, group, business or organization on any topic are welcome. The Program Planning Advisory Committee will consider the educational value of each proposal and the extent to which it presents new and/or significant information.

Additional information is available on the [League website](#).

If you have any question about this event, please contact [Caitlin Cole](#), conference program manager at (916) 658-8248.

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Charlotte Dickson, senior policy director of the HEAL Cities Campaign will moderate. Panelists will include:

- Maria Dee, national director, Workforce Wellness National Human Resources, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc.;
- Michael Parmer, management analyst, city of Rancho Cucamonga; and
- Blythe Young, nutrition scientist, Public Health Advocates.

Register for this event by contacting [Mike Egan](#).

League-Sponsored Bond Agency Issues \$25 million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Vista Sonoma Senior Living Apartments in Santa Rosa and \$6.75 million in Tax-Exempt Bonds for Pacific Collegiate Foundation in Santa Cruz

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 \$25,025,000 in tax-exempt multifamily affordable housing bonds for Vista Sonoma Senior Living Apartments in Santa Rosa. It also issued \$6,750,000 in tax-exempt bonds for Pacific Collegiate Foundation in Santa Cruz.

About Vista Sonoma Senior Living Apartments

Vista Sonoma Senior Living Apartments (Vista Sonoma) is an acquisition and rehabilitation of 189 senior affordable housing apartments by Vintage at Sonoma, LP. The project sponsor is Vintage Housing. Vista Sonoma will continue to be 100 percent affordable and provide one and two-bedroom apartments to low-income senior residents in Santa Rosa, California.

CSCDA and Vintage Housing partnered with Citibank to provide tax-exempt multifamily affordable housing bonds for Vista Sonoma. The rehabilitation will include new floors, carpets, interior and exterior paint, carbon monoxide sensors as well as repair or replacement as needed of carports, landscaping systems, balconies, doors and doorframes, exterior siding, kitchen cabinetry, window coverings, roof coverings, downspouts and gutters, sinks and HVAC system components. Additionally, appliances will be upgraded and replaced with more energy efficient models and common areas, including restrooms, social rooms, leasing/management offices and elevators will be refurbished and upgraded. The financing of Vista Sonoma will maintain the affordability of units for low-income senior tenants for 55 years.

About Pacific Collegiate Foundation

Pacific Collegiate Foundation supports the Pacific Collegiate School, a public charter school in Santa Cruz, California. The school's mission is to provide exemplary, standards-based college preparatory and fine arts education for public middle and high school students of Santa Cruz County and bordering areas. The school's vision is to offer any student the same quality of education offered by the most academically distinguished schools in California. It has regularly been ranked among the top charter and public schools in the country.

CSCDA partnered with Stifel to underwrite the tax-exempt bonds for Pacific Collegiate. The bonds will be used to refinance a loan made for the acquisition and construction of the School's new 47,000 square foot educational facilities.

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.
