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Announcements

Town Clerks Association Conference Registration Open



NEW YORK STATE
**TOWN CLERKS
ASSOCIATION**

Registration is open for the 42nd annual NYS Town Clerks Association Conference, April 21 - 24 at the crown Plaza Albany - Desmond Hotel, in Albany. The conference is designed specifically for the education and professional development of Town Clerks and their Deputies. There will be sessions with

State agencies that clerks work with often, topical speakers during breakout sessions, vendor specialty classes and other one-of-a-kind offerings. Classes are geared not just for new clerks, but seasoned clerks, as well.

Registration for the full conference is \$125 for members and \$225 for nonmembers. For just one day of the conference, registration is \$90 for members and \$165 for nonmembers. The deadline to register is April 15.

For more information on the conference visit the [NYSTCA Annual Conference page](#). View the [Registration Packet](#), and [Tentative Schedule](#), or click [here](#) to register.

Edwin J. Wadas Foundation Youth Sports Grants Available

The Edwin J. Wadas Foundation, Inc. announces the availability of grant funds supporting the enhancement of youth sports in Herkimer and Oneida Counties. The awards ensure youth have access to opportunities for physical activity and sports through programs, facilities, and equipment. Eligible organizations include schools, non-profits and municipalities.



A full list of 2023 grant awards and a current grant application can be found at the organization's website or by contacting 315-982-9003.

The mission of The Edwin J. Wadas Foundation, Inc. is to enhance the experiences of recreational and athletic programs for youth ages 5-18 in Oneida and Herkimer Counties by providing financial resources to qualified organizations and educational scholarships to participants.

To learn more about the Edwin J. Wadas Foundation, Inc. visit <http://www.wadasfoundation.org>.

NY Preservation League Announces Preservation Opportunity Fund



The NY Preservation League is launching a new grant program to help support capital improvement projects at significant historic properties in New York State.

Available to 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations in New York State, the Preservation Opportunity Fund grant is intended to support discrete capital projects on historical buildings, sites, structures, and objects. Eligible work may include, but is not limited to, restoration and repair of windows, masonry, roofing/structural systems, historic interiors/exterior, historic finishes, or electrical and HVAC systems.

It is anticipated that grants will range in value from \$10,000 to \$40,000. The minimum grant request is \$10,000. All grants will require at least a 50% funding match from the applicant. This match must be in the form of dedicated, unexpended project funds, and cannot include in-kind donations.

All interested applicants must submit a short Letter of Intent (LOI) by March 12, 2024, before 5:00 p.m. After which, a limited number of applicants will then be contacted by the Preservation League and asked to submit a full application, which will be due by April 30, 2024.

The application process for this grant, including the LOI submission, is supported entirely through the online grant application system. Organizations applying for funding through the Preservation League the first time will need to create an organization account.

For more information and detailed guidelines for the application process, please visit the webpage for the Preservation Opportunity Fund [here](#). An informational video about the funding and eligibility requirements is available [here](#). And a PDF of the grant guidelines is available [here](#).

For direct questions about the grant program, please contact grants@preservenys.org.

NY Engineers Roundtable | Navigating the Funding Frontiers, April 4

Join the [Syracuse University Environmental Finance Center \(SU-EFC\)](#) from 10am to 3pm on April 4th in learning how to make stronger funding applications. This hybrid event will include in-depth discussions with state and federal funding agencies, and will provide information about environmental review, the many dos and don'ts for successful applications, and a primer on the "co-funding" process.



**Environmental
Finance
Center**
Syracuse University

SU-EFC, in partnership with the [New York Water Environment Association \(NYWEA\)](#), will host municipal engineers and representatives from private consulting firms for this roundtable discussion. Encouraged to attend are municipal town planners, engineers, water infrastructure managers, as well as project managers and grant writers from engineering firms consulting with local governments. Presenters will include representatives from New York State Homes and Community Renewal, New York State Departments of State, Health, & Environmental Conservation, New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, and US Department of Agriculture, Rural Development.

In-person attendance is encouraged, but sessions will be live-streamed for hybrid viewing. If you would like to attend virtually, please indicate so on the registration form. Lunch will be provided for those attending in person.

For more information, or to register, click [here](#).

NYS Tug Hill Commission Meeting, March 18



The Tug Hill Commission is scheduled to meet Monday, March 18th at 10:00 am at the Village of Pulaski Snow Memorial Building, 4971 N. Jefferson St., Pulaski, NY 13142. The meeting will include routine business of the commission, along with a review of major projects and activities in the region. The public is always welcome to attend.

2024 Local Government Conference Registration fees will increase after April 1st. NOCCOG to Cover One Local Government Conference Registration

2024 Local Government Conference
Turning Stone Conference Center - 5218 Patrick Road, Verona, NY 13478
Thursday, May 2, 2024 from 7:30 am to 4:15 pm

Infrastructure Roundtable on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Reception on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
All of this and more can be found at www.tughill.org/localgovernmentconference

Wednesday May 1, 2024	Wednesday May 1, 2024	Thursday May 2, 2024	Two Ways to Register
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Infrastructure Roundtable Interested in learning more about funding and financing for municipal infrastructure in your town or village? Come meet representatives from funding agencies and learn about funding opportunities for drinking water, wastewater, road-related projects, and other community investments. This one-on-one opportunity to discuss your current ideas, projects, and funding needs.	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Reception This is your opportunity to mingle with exhibitors, sponsors, speakers, agencies, and other conference attendees. Hourly refreshers are included and there will be a cash bar available.	7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Full Day of Training Session Descriptions Here This year's conference features four concurrent sessions, an individual case for assessors, lunch and lunch, and a printed program. Certificates of Attendance should will be given to all attendees of the conclusion of the conference. Free parking in the parking.	Register Online (credit card only) lcc2024.eventbrite.com Open through April 8, 2024. or Register by Mail (check only) Complete this form and mail it back with your check. Registrations will not be accepted over the phone or by fax or email. Please call the Tug Hill Commission at (315) 785-2380 with any questions.
\$25 #participants 4-12/2024 \$50 #participants 4-12/2024 or later	\$15 #participants 4-12/2024 \$30 #participants 4-12/2024 or later	\$85 #participants 4-12/2024 \$170 #participants 4-12/2024 or later	

TURNING STONE HOTEL INFORMATION
To receive the New York State rate of \$107 per night, you must book your room by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 1, 2024. Call (800) 771-7711 and state that you are with the NYS Tug Hill Commission or give the code HTUG24. Rooms are limited, so please book early.

Refunds will not be issued after April 1, 2024. No exceptions!
We are required to reserve food quantities with the venue before the event.
If you cancel for any reason, we are still obligated to pay for food ordered.

The Turning Stone Resort and Casino will once again host the Local Government Conference on May 1 and 2 this year. Registration materials have been mailed to all municipalities. Online registration is also available by clicking [here](#).

The cost for the full day event on the 2nd is \$85. The half-day Infrastructure Roundtable on the 5th is \$25. The reception also on the 5th is \$15. Registration fees will increase after April 1st.

Please talk to your municipal advisors or check the Tug Hill Commission conference [webpage](#) for more LGC information. Copies of the registration materials, including detailed information about each presentation, as well as the Infrastructure Roundtable and reception are also on the webpage.

Additionally, the Northern Oneida County Council of Governments will cover the registration cost of 1 attendee from each member municipality attending the 2024 Local Government Conference. The registration can cover one or both days of the conference, including the reception. However, the registrations must be received before the end of the early registration period, April 1st. For more information, please reach out to John Healt by calling, 315-941-2818, or by email, jhealt@tughill.org.

New York State Association of Conservation Commissions Conference on the Environment Sept. 18-20

The New York State Association of Conservation Commissions (NYSACC) has teamed with the NYS Tug Hill Commission in bringing their annual New York State Conference on the Environment to the southern Tug Hill Region. The 3-day event starts on Wednesday, September 18th with a full day of virtual workshops and sessions, followed by an in-person social hour scheduled at the Woodland Brewery at the Hulbert House, in Boonville. Planned for Thursday and Friday, the 19th and 20th, are field trips to local areas of environmental interest or significance. A dinner reception coinciding with the Tug Hill Commission's annual fall dinner is planned for Thursday evening at The Hayloft at Moonshine Farm, in Port Leyden.



The Conference on the Environment is a great way to explore the latest environmental trends, techniques, and approaches in New York State.

The [New York State Association of Conservation Commissions](#) is an independent, not-for-profit education organization established in 1971 by the [New York State Department of Environmental Conservation](#) to provide leadership in the development of vital environmental programs for cities, towns, and villages throughout the State of New York.

More details to follow.