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LEAGUE ALERT

Municipal Clerk: Please forward to Mayor and Governing Body.

October 2, 2009

**Re: I League Professional Development Program
"Ethics - Vack to Basics"**

Re: II Federal Transportation Funding Update

Re: III Leaders' Academy for Healthy Community

Development Grants

**Northern NJ and Southern
NJ Locations Available**

**LEAGUE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
In cooperation with New Jersey Division of Local Government Services**

"ETHICS – BACK TO BASICS"

The sessions are identical. Register for just one.

Friday, October 23, 2009

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Bethlehem Community Center

405 Mine Rd, Asbury, NJ

*Northern NJ Location

Thursday, October 29, 2009

8:00 a.m. – noon

Mercer County College

1200 Old Trenton Rd, West Windsor

* Southern NJ Location

It is vitally important for all elected and appointed officials to be aware of the ethics landscape especially given national, state and local developments. This program is appropriate for all municipal officials and employees, experienced, or new.

Director Susan Jacobucci, Esq, of the DCA, Division of Local Government Services has presented many programs on municipal ethics. She will review the municipal ethical culture, concentrating on conflicts of interest and understanding and dealing with gifts.

Registration is \$55 by voucher. Register for one session (not both):

- Visit www.njslom.org click on *Calendar*, Go to the date you are attending
- Download the registration form, complete and fax it to (609) 695-0151

Questions about registering – contact Suzanne Delany SDelany@njslom.com or 609-695-3481 ext. 111.

Updated CEUs that have been approved: CMFO & CCFO 4-Ethics; CTC 4-Ethics; CPWM 4-Ethics; RMC 4-Ethics; RPP0 & RPPS 4-Ethics

RE: II. Federal Transportation Funding Update

Dear Mayor:

As mentioned in our letter of September 16 (http://www.njslom.org/ml091609_road.html) the current Federal Transportation funding program, SAFETEA-LU, was set to expire on September 30th. (See our letter of August 6 for details on the difference between the House and Senate approaches to transportation policy. <http://www.njslom.org/ml080609-fff.html>.)

Late Wednesday evening, the Senate passed (62 – 38) a budget resolution that included a one-month extension of existing highway programs.

The resolution was an agreement between House and Senate appropriators that allows those federal departments whose FY 2010 budgets have yet to receive Congressional approval to continue operating.

Some Senators objected to a proposal to extend surface transportation programs for three months and repeal the rescission of previously enacted budget authority, set to take effect Thursday. A sticking point in repealing the \$8.7 billion rescission written into the 2005 SAFETEA law was the need to find offsets under pay-as-you-go budget rules. Several states already had plans to spend their share of the \$8.7 billion budget rescission, anticipating that it would be repealed, and may have to cancel or delay the projects.

Senate Environment and Public Works Chairwoman Barbara Boxer worked out a deal with ranking Republican Senator James M. Inhofe to offset the extra highway spending by tapping the Troubled Asset Relief Fund (TARP). Nebraska Senator Mike Johanns objected on behalf of Louisiana Senator David Vitter, who opposed the idea of using TARP money to fund State transportation priorities.

Even if the Senate passed its bill, there was virtually no way that the House, which had already finished voting for the day, could have taken it up Wednesday night. The House already passed

a three-month extension that left the rescission in place.

The Senate and the House will now have one month to determine how long to extend surface transportation law, and how to fund that extension.

For more information, contact Jon Moran at 609-695-3481, ext. 121.

Very truly yours,

William G. Dressel, Jr.
Executive Director

Re: III. Leaders' Academy for Healthy Community Development Grants

Dear Mayor:

The NJ Council on Physical Fitness and Sports in collaboration with the NJ Department of Health and Human Services invites you to attend the 3rd Annual Leaders' Academy for Healthy Community Development.

This event will be held on Friday, November 13th, 2009 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (Registration/Breakfast 7:30- 9:00 AM) at the RWJ Hamilton- Center for Health and Wellness: 3100 Quakerbridge Road, Mercerville.

Established in 2006, the Leaders' Academy for Healthy Community Development invites community teams and individuals to attend this training opportunity that will focus on policy & environmental change so *healthy choices are easier for New Jersey residents.*

WHO SHOULD ATTEND: Individuals and community teams including health departments, health educators, planners, school educators, decision makers (i.e. Mayor, City Council), advocates, and others interested in healthy communities.

Following the Academy, mini grants of \$2,500.00 - \$10,000 will be offered through a competitive state grant process to implement a healthy community initiative. In year 1 (2006) 150 people attended and 20 mini grants of \$2,000 were given to 20 deserving communities. In year 2 (2007) 125 people attended and 22 mini grants totaling \$100,000 were awarded. This event is now held every other year.

Teams do not need to attend to apply; however, those that do attend will receive first consideration.

TO REGISTER: Registration is required; there is no fee to attend. Please call 609-292-2209 or e-mail Carmen Santiago-Willis carmen.santiago-willis@doh.state.nj.us

Please include all team names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mails. The deadline to register is November 6, 2009.

Very truly yours,

William G. Dressel, Jr.
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