



What makes a city unique? Is it location – rural versus urban, a farming community versus an industrial one? Is it the communities they house, the families that work and play there? Is it the challenges they face? Ohio can boast a range of cities and villages as diverse as the people that call them home. But they all have one thing in common.

They all need each other.

While each municipality differs from one another, the majority of the issues they face are the same. Challenges regarding funding, safety, transportation and public utilities are being tackled by city officials across the state. And while no one-size-fits-all solution exists, there is tremendous power in creating a space where officials can share burdens, collaborate on strategies and brainstorm creative solutions with one another.

This is what makes the Ohio Municipal League's Annual Conference so critically important.

Attendees will have the privilege of hearing both state and national icons speak on topics that hit close to home. They will empower themselves and their communities by learning how the OML and our affiliates can serve them as exhaustive resources. But beyond that, they will have the opportunity to connect with one another, discuss challenges and share from experience how best they can serve the families within their city limits. New and seasoned officials alike can meet with representatives from cities that are big and small, rural and urban, and find themselves encouraged and enabled to make their own cities stronger, safer and more efficient.

The Ohio Municipal League created its annual conference because we understand the value of collaborative networking. We don't want a single mayor or councilperson to miss out on this opportunity.

Another opportunity the League's Annual Conference has is offering is the chance to hear from one of our nation's most prominent and trusted voices on national politics as our keynote speaker. We are excited to officially announce Bob Cusack, National Policy and Politics Analyst and Editor-in-Chief of The Hill, will be speaking at the noon luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 27th.

Odds are, many of you have seen Cusack as a regular on MSNBC, Fox, ABC and CNN – or even in his role on the critically-acclaimed HBO comedy *Veep*. He has been reporting from the trenches in Washington, DC for over 15 years and has received several awards for his investigative reporting. His expertise on elections and campaigns, legislative analysis and the political landscape make him a highly sought-after speaker and analyst. Few others better understand how Congress works and how best to forecast what's in store for our nation politically.

Cusack's presentation will provide a rare, unique insight for OML members into our nation's Capital and how what happens on the Hill affects what happens at home. It is especially a privilege to have Cusack's insider take right before the historical 2016 Presidential election. We feel fortunate to feature him as our keynote speaker, and we are excited to have you join us for this exclusive opportunity at the Annual Conference.

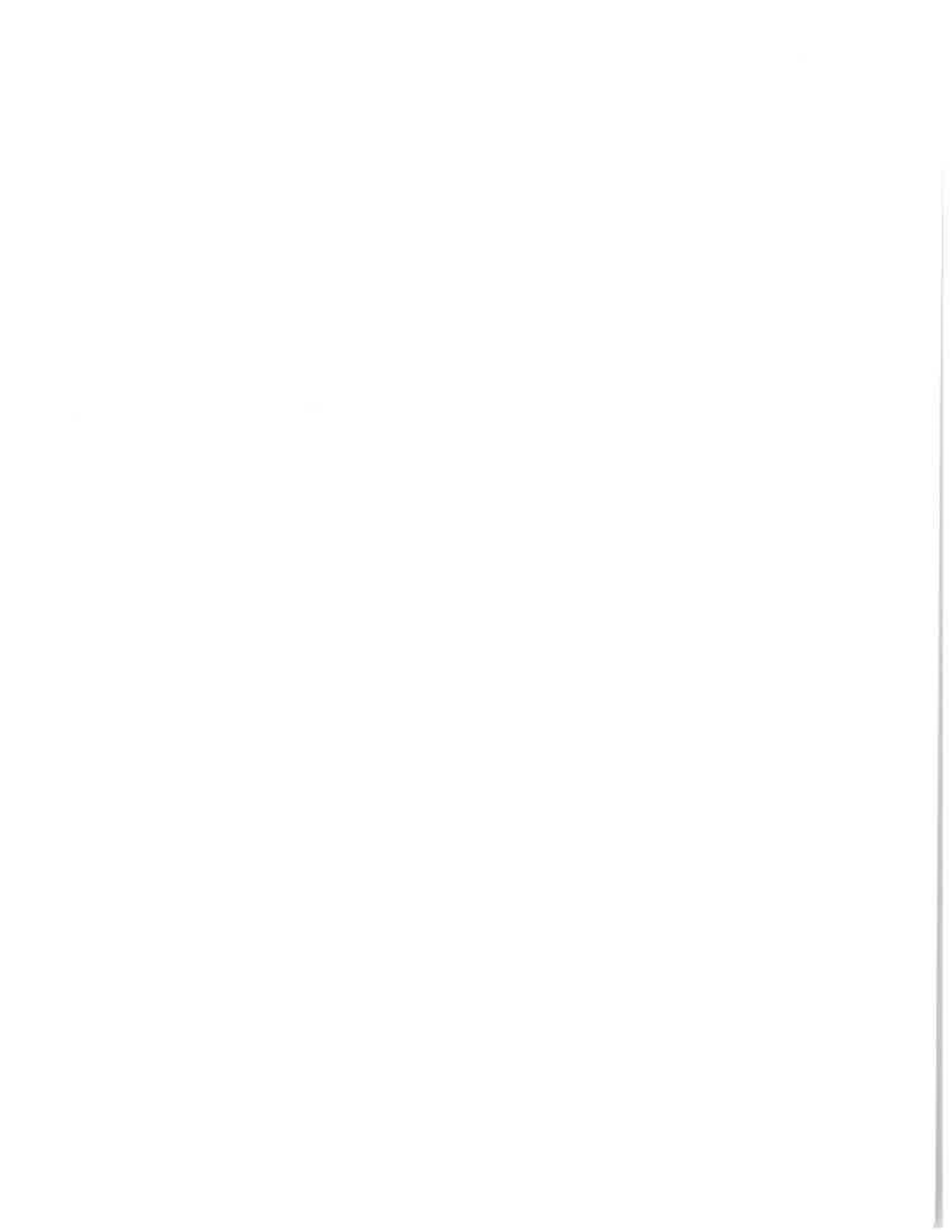
Finally, our Women in Government Breakfast will feature an Ohio icon as its speaker. It is our privilege to announce that Jo Ann Davidson, former Speaker of the Ohio House and current Chairman of the Ohio Casino Control Commission, will be speaking at the breakfast on Thursday, Oct. 27th, from 8 a.m. - 9 a.m.

The breakfast presentation will provide invaluable insight into local public service for the League's members, as Davison's own public service career spanned more than 30 years. In addition to her time in the state legislature – during which she served as Assistant Minority Whip, Minority Whip, Minority Leader and Speaker – she spent ten years as a member of the Reynoldsburg City Council and as Clerk for Truro Township.

Davidson's experience in government is as varied as it is valuable. Since leaving the legislature, she has served as the Interim Director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Service and as a member of the Board of Trustees for both Franklin University and The Ohio State University. Her influence has reached beyond Ohio's borders, as she was a member of the Executive Committee of the National Conference of State Legislators and the Chairman of the Midwestern Council of State Governments.

Even after all her years of public service, Davidson proves indomitable. She is currently the President of JAD and Associates, LLC, a strategic planning and public affairs consulting firm. She is also the founder of the Jo Ann Davidson Leadership Institute, an elite training and mentorship program that prepares Ohio women for leadership roles.

Many have been eager to recognize Davidson for the impact she has made. These include *Governing Magazine's* Public Official of the Year, Legislator of the Year by the National Republican Legislator's Association, *Good Housekeeping's* Award for Women in Government and an induction into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame. It is an absolute honor to feature Jo Ann Davidson as a speaker for this year's conference. We are thrilled to give our members the chance to hear from a woman as inspirational as she is influential.





2016 Annual Conference Renaissance Hotel, Columbus

October 26th – 28th, 2016

This year the Ohio Municipal League will be holding its Annual Fall Conference in conjunction with the Municipal Finance Officers Association of Ohio. There is separate conference registration information for each association. Because of the interests of OML & MFOA members alike there are a number of workshops & special meetings being offered. The Conferences will begin Wednesday October 26th ending Friday October 28th.

This year, in order to create a more efficient way of distributing materials, you will receive all available materials in advance of the Conference via email. **Registering for the conference will require a valid email address**, the email will also serve as your registration confirmation. *We will no longer pass out paper handout packets at the conferences.* Please feel free to print out these materials and bring them with you to the Conference and/or download to your devices such as your IPAD or Tablet. It is important for you to decide the best method of using the materials to prepare in advance. We believe a preview of the information can be extremely beneficial in preparing for the Conference. Some presenters may bring handouts with them that were not made available for distribution prior to the conference. *(Please Note: Emails are sent through the same software as the OML Legislative Bulletin, anyone who has “unsubscribed” from the program must re subscribe or use a different email address.)*

In order to ensure the conference materials reach attendees in enough time to prepare we have set a **Registration and Payment Deadline of October 17, 2016**. All paid registrations will receive the confirmation email with materials during the week of October 17th. If you have any questions about the new registration process please feel free to contact Zoë Wade at either Zwade@omloho.org or 614-221-4349 ext. 11.

REGISTRATION

Everyone attending must submit a registration form. In recognition of those municipalities that send several delegates to the annual conference, we are offering:

Cities: for every 5 paid full registrations from the same city, the 6th will be complimentary.

Villages: for every 3 paid full registrations from the same village, the 4th will be complimentary.

EXHIBITS

One of the most popular places at the conference is the exhibit hall. Companies that provide products and services to cities and villages will be available to meet with delegates when the exhibit area opens Wednesday

afternoon through the reception Wednesday evening & again on Thursday Morning. The exhibits will close Thursday afternoon before lunch. Contact the OML office if you have an interest in exhibiting or sponsorship there is a separate cost and registration form.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The annual business meeting of the League will take place Thursday at the luncheon session. During this important meeting, one-half of the Board members will be elected for a two-year term. Nominations should be submitted to the OML offices by October 7th 2016. The Nominating Committee will meet Wednesday afternoon, October 26th, 2016.

RESOLUTIONS

Suggested conference resolutions by OML members for consideration during the business meeting should be submitted to the OML offices prior to October 7th 2016. The Resolutions Committee will meet Wednesday evening October 26th, 2016

HOTEL AND PARKING

Exhibits, general sessions and workshop sessions will all be held at **The Renaissance Hotel, 50 N. 3rd Street, Columbus Ohio 43215**. At the intersection of Gay Street & N. 3rd Street.

A special room rate is available for conference attendees. The rate is \$159 (King/double). **The cut-off date is October 5th, 2015**. Parking will be free for all attendees to the conference, whether you are staying at the hotel or driving in for the day, however you **MUST** valet park at the hotel in order to get the free parking.

Make Reservations in One of Two Ways:

1) By booking through the guest link: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/omlattendee1016>
(link is case sensitive)

2) By calling Renaissance Enhanced Group Reservations at: 877-901-6632. Guests will ask for **Passkey Reservations** and Request **Ohio Municipal League Room Block** to receive the Group Rate of \$159 for a King or Double room



65th Annual Conference

October 26th ~ 28th, 2016
Renaissance Hotel, Downtown Columbus
REGISTRATION FORM

Name as it is to appear on badge _____

Title _____

Municipality or Company Name _____

(_____) _____
Phone

Valid Email _____
(Must be included, registrations without emails will NOT be processed)

<p><u>City Registration Special</u> Register 5- get 1 free. For every five paid full registrations from one city, a sixth attendee is free. (Write "free" over sixth delegate fees section)</p>	<p><u>Village Registration Special</u> Register 3- get 1 free. For every two paid full registrations from one village, a third attendee is free. (Write "free" over fourth delegate fees section)</p>
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Conference Registration Fees

Please check all the options which best fits your needs. All delegates from municipalities that are current OML members are entitled to the member rates. If you are unsure if your municipality is a member please contact Zoë the OML office.

The Women in Government Breakfast function is a separate purchase and not included in any of the OML packages.

<input type="checkbox"/> Full Registration October 26th ~ 28th, 2016 Includes all functions on the agenda unless otherwise noted.	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday October 26th Only Includes workshops & reception in Exhibit area	<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday October 27th Only Includes continental breakfast, general session, workshops, lunch & reception.	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday October 28th Only Includes continental breakfast & general session
<input type="checkbox"/> OML Member \$200.00	<input type="checkbox"/> OML Member \$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/> OML Member \$150.00	<input type="checkbox"/> OML Member \$75.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member \$300.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member \$200.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member \$100.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Meal Package \$75.00 (Includes all meal functions except Women in Gov't Breakfast)	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Meal Package \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Meal Package \$50.00 (Includes all meal functions except Women in Gov't Breakfast)	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Meal Package \$25.00

Costs not included in Registration Options:

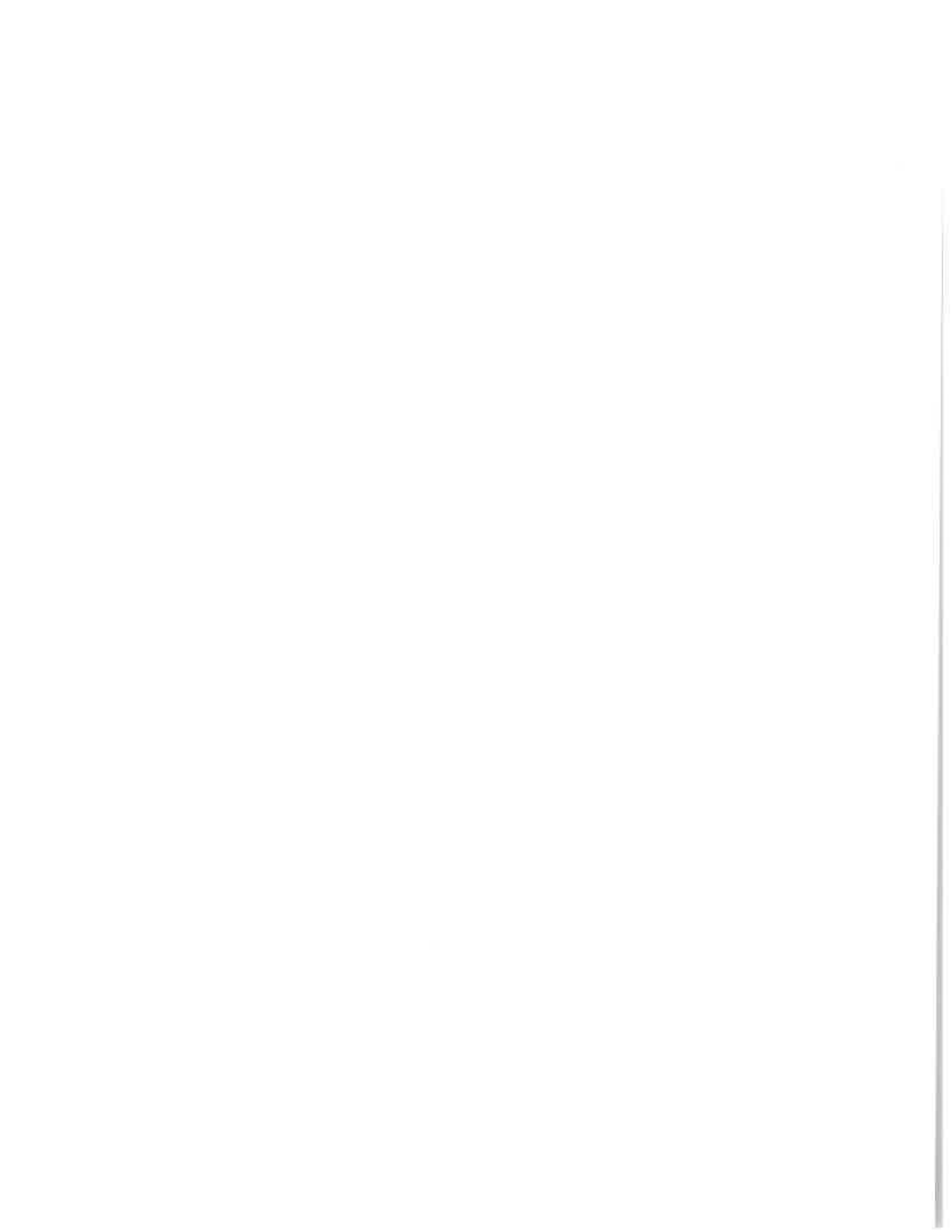
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Payment & Registration Deadline October 17, 2016

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Refund Policy

No refunds will be made unless **cancellation** is received prior to October 19th, 2016. No refunds will be made for "no shows."
Make Checks Payable & Return To: Ohio Municipal League, 175 South Third St., Suite 510, Columbus, Ohio 43215
 You may fax registrations to 614/221-4390.



Tentative Agenda

2016 OML & MFOA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Wednesday, October 26

12:00 noon REGISTRATION OFFICIALLY OPENS

3:00 p.m. EXHIBITS OPEN BALLROOM

1:30 – 3:00 p.m. 3 OML CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

- 1) COUNCIL WORKSHOP
Code Enforcement & Abandoned Gas Stations and Vacant Properties
- 2) WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
HB 233 – Creates Municipal Downtown Redevelopment Districts and Innovation Districts
- 3) WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
Stable Account – Ohio’s Able Plan & OhioCheckbook.com

3:00 – 3:30 p.m. ATTENDEES WILL VISIT EXHIBITS

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. 4 OML CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

- 1) 1 WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
Shared Services
- 2) 2 WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
Funding for Economic Development
- 3) 3 WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
Working with HB 5, Income Tax Law
- 4) CITY MANAGERS WORKSHOP
Subject Pending

3:00 - 4:30 p.m. OML BOARD MEETING

4:30 p.m. OML NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

5:00 p.m. OML RESOLUTION COMMITTEE MEETING

5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Reception in the Exhibit area
We will have a host bar and heavy hors d’oeuvres set-up In the exhibit area, inside and outside of the ballroom CDE

6:00 OSU Alumni Band Performance

9:00 – 11:00 p.m. OML HOSPITALITY SUITE

Thursday, October 27

8:00 a.m. REGISTRATION CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. MFOA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
BREAKFAST MEETING & NOMINATING COMMITTEE

8:00 a.m. OML WOMEN IN GOVERNMENT BREAKFAST

Featured Speaker: Jo Ann Davidson, Chair of the Ohio Casino Control Commission, First woman elected speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon EXHIBIT SHOW – FOYER

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. OML GENERAL SESSION

*Welcome: City of Columbus
Columbus Police Honor Guard*

Matt Zone, Incoming NLC President, Cleveland Council

Topics:

- 1) *Advocacy Project*
- 2) *Open Meetings/Public Records –*
- 3) *Ethics (CPE Credit)*

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. MFOA GENERAL SESSION

- 1) *Ohio BWC & 2016 Change to Prospective Billing (CPE Credit)*
- 2) *Investment Tips & Techniques (CPE Credit)*
- 3) *FMLA & ADA Interactive Process, Leave Requests & Building the Case for Litigation.*

12:00 - 1:45p.m. LUNCHEON

Featured Speaker: Bob Cusack, Editor in Chief of the Hill & National Policy and Politics Analyst

1:45 – 2:00 p.m. OML ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

2:00 – 4:45 pm MFOA GENERAL SESSION

Topics:

- 1) *Cyber Security*
- 2) *Use of Technology*
- 3) *Frequent Issues on Audits: What has happened in the last 2-3 years in special audits & compliance – Supplement Update*

2:00 - 3:00 p.m. 3 OML CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

1) VILLAGE WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
New Reporting Requirement for Villages

2) WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
Revenue Sources, Ordinances and Resolutions

3) WORKSHOP
Animal Control Issues – Bees, Chickens, Feral Cats, Dogs, etc.

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. INCOME TAX COMMITTEE MEETING

3:00 – 4:15 p.m. 3 OML CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

1) WORKSHOP
Grant Finder - Helps Cities & Villages Find Grant Funding (CPE Credit)

2) WORKSHOP (CPE Credit)
ODOT – Grant Programs & Road Maintenance Idea

3) WORKSHOP
Drones

4:15 – 5:00 p.m. MAYORS ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE (*Board and Bylaw Review*)

4:15 - 5:30 p.m. RECEPTION

Evening Free

9:00 - 11:00 p.m. OML HOSPITALITY SUITE

Friday October 28th, 2016

8:00 a.m. REGISTRATION

8:00 a.m. BREAKFAST BUFFET

8:45 – 9:00 a.m. MFOA BUSINESS MEETING

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. OML GENERAL SESSION

Topics:

FLSA – New Employment Requirement for Overtime

A) Medical Marijuana

B) Opioid Addiction Issues

Model Sign Ordinances

9:00 – 10:30 a.m. WORKSHOP FOR WORKERS' COMP
(BWC-Required Credit)

8:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. MAYORS COURT TRAINING
(Separate Registration)

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. MFOA GENERAL SESSION

Topics:

1) Ohio Economic Development Update. (CPE Credit)

2) Website: How to interact with citizens now and
in the Future. (CPE Credit)

3) Reduced Borrowing costs with Bond banks and Market
Access. (CPE Credit)

4) Update on EMMA & Disclosure Compliance
(CPE Credit)