

**2025 PACOG ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**Don't Miss Out!**  
**Reserve Your Spot at the**  
**Conference Today**

The PACOG 2025 statewide conference is a terrific opportunity for COG members to meet, share common interests, discuss new ideas, and interact with state agencies. Reserve your rooms now directly through the hotel at the link below. There are a limited number of rooms available at the discounted rate so make your plans early.

Registration is now open at the PACOG website  
[www.pacog.com](http://www.pacog.com)

**WHEN:** September 30 - October 1

**WHERE:** The Graduate by Hilton  
 State College, PA



Two days of exceptional programming designed specifically for COG directors, delegates, and staff. We can't wait to meet COG members from across the state.



**PACOG EVENTS ARE HEATING UP!**

**SPOTLIGHT ON OUR MEMBERS**

Last month, the Steel Rivers Council of Governments (SRCOG) placed its brand new, fully electric, Elgin Broom Bear Street Sweeper into service.

**It is the first of its kind in the United States to hit the streets.**

SRCOG received a grant from Allegheny County Health Department in the amount of \$750,000, to replace a diesel-powered street sweeper with a 100% Electric Vehicle (EV) chassis and sweeper unit.

The new unit is part of the SRCOG Street Sweeper program, a shared service currently being utilized by 15 communities, 11 of which are among the 32 municipalities identified in the Mon Valley Air Episode Rule. By replacing the older vehicle, which has zero emissions control systems, there will be 100% reduction in NOx, PM2.5 HC, CO, and CO2.

The EV street sweeper will go into immediate use, cleaning streets 133 days a year, 8 hours per day.



Allegheny County Executive Sara Innamorato joined SRCOG for a ribbon cutting ceremony to launch the truck into service.

**REGIONAL MEETINGS - SURVEY RESULTS**

If you attended one of the PACOG regional meetings, you probably took part in a survey that was designed to collect information about the desired programming and activities for member educational opportunities in the future.

The Regional Meeting attendance included 34 in-person, 31 on-line, and 37 COGs overall for the three scheduled meetings.

Here are the highest rated areas of interest:

- Funding and Grant Management
- Leadership/Board Development
- Code Enforcement and Blight Strategies
- Community Engagement/Capacity Building
- Technology and Cyber Security

If you have ideas for topics and speakers Contact us at [PACOG.manager@outlook.com](mailto:PACOG.manager@outlook.com)

**SPOTLIGHT**

Send us news about your projects and programs and we will feature your COG and your story here. We love to celebrate "good news" from our members!

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