



ANNOUNCING A NEW LOOK AND NEW SERVICES FOR COGS
ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH

THANKS FOR TAKING OUR SURVEY

You spoke and we listened!

90% of respondents wanted a chance to collaborate with like-minded individuals

80% of respondents favored training and webinars that were available on-line and in-person

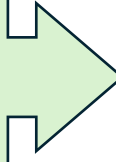
79% of respondents wanted updates on important legislation that impacts COGs and municipalities

73% of respondents wanted regular newsletters announcing new trends, best practices, and news about other COGs.

Based on what we heard – we are planning a special training series just for you!

It's not too late to share your opinion with us – the survey is still open until the end of the year at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P3ZT68B>



PACOG WEBINAR SERIES

Hold the DATES for “Lunch and Learn”

Log in to these 1-hour sessions from **noon until 1pm** especially designed for COG directors and COG delegates.

December 5 – *Welcome to PACOG – We are COGs: Now What?* Learn what resources and tools are available through PACOG and hear from the experts about the authority and limits for COGs under Act 177, the Intergovernmental Cooperation (IGC) Act.

January 23 – *Become a Tax-Exempt Organization: Benefits of Being a 501(C)(3).* COGs across the state are exploring the benefits and legal process for tax exempt status. Join our expert legal counsel to see if it makes sense for your COG. (CLE Credits available for this session)

February 20 – *Protect Your Board, Protect Yourself, Protect Your Assets.* Join municipal insurance brokers who provide coverage for governmental and non-profit groups in PA to understand the potential risks and available coverages that make sense for your COG.

FUTURE SESSIONS

March 13 – *COGs Rock! Learn About COG Success Stories.*

April 17 – *What's Up in Harrisburg? A Legislative Update from the PA General Assembly Spring Session.* (CLE credits available for this session)

May 15 – *All About Funding – Great Ideas for Making Ends Meet!*

Sign up for one or all of our sessions – this webinar series is free of charge for COGs.

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There's a new COG in town:

THE FOOTHILLS COG IN WESTMORELAND COUNTY

Congratulations and Welcome to the Party!

ANNOUNCING REGIONAL MEETINGS

Yes – it's Fall but we are already planning for Spring Regional Meetings in east, west, and central locations.

We need the COGs across the state to weigh in on what PACOG can do to advance our mission to empower and encourage cooperation, communication, and collaboration among COGSs in Pennsylvania.

Our tentative agenda will include identifying challenges and opportunities for COGs in today's fast-paced environment of information overload, limited resources, and unlimited demand for services.

We want to provide information, resources, technical assistance, and support to our member COGs, and we want to hear from you about your highest priorities and greatest needs.

If you would like to work with us to schedule, host, or facilitate the regional meetings, contact us at PACOG.manager@outlook.com for more information.

SHARE YOUR SUCCESS STORIES

COGs bring an enormous amount of value to the communities they serve, and we want to feature our COGs on a regular basis in our newsletters. Please send any programs, stories, projects, and other good news to PACOG.manager@outlook.com

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