

## News from the Institute for Local Government

# September 2019

### A Message From ILG's Executive Director

Greetings from ILG!

We're officially in Fall conference season with many of our local agency partners convening over the next few months to connect with members, share best practices and celebrate the year's accomplishments.

Last week, the ILG team was honored to attend and participate in the California Special Districts Conference in Anaheim where a record-setting crowd of special district leaders descended on Southern California to celebrate Special District Week and CSDA's milestone 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

ILG hosted two workshops for participants – one about informing the public about serving on public agency boards, and another about creative partnerships to help local agencies tackle the regional challenges of homelessness.

We were also excited to see ILG Board Member Stan Caldwell receive the prestigious CSDA 'Board Member of the Year' Award. Congratulations Stan!

Conferences are an incredible way to make lasting connections and spur innovation. Over the next few weeks and months, the ILG team will be actively participating in numerous industry events and conferences that raise visibility of key issues and increase the opportunity for collaboration among local and state agencies.

We take pride in being a training and education partner, as well as a convener and thought leader on some of the most critical issues facing local governments.

The feedback you share with us about the challenges and opportunities your agency is facing helps guide ILG as we develop the resources you need to navigate an increasingly complex local government landscape.

In this issue, you'll find a preview of the conferences we'll be attending in the coming weeks, as well as a few surveys to help inform some of ILG's ongoing work. We're also excited to unveil the new full version of the Public Sector Workforce Report for the Sacramento Region, which was previewed at last month's Public Sector Workforce Summit hosted by ILG and IPPS.

Enjoy!

Erica L. Manuel  
CEO & Executive Director



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### Connect with ILG at the League of CA Cities Annual Conference



Connect with ILG at the [League's Annual Conference and Expo](#) October 16-18 in Long Beach. We will be hosting a booth at the Expo. Please stop by and meet our staff, browse our materials and get answers to your questions.

Don't miss these ILG-led sessions:

- Public Service Ethics Laws and Principles: AB 1234 Training, Wednesday from 9:00-11:00am
- Innovative Solutions for Filling the Future Workforce, Wednesday from 3:45-5:00pm
- Tips and Tools to Improve Trust in Local Government, Thursday from 4:15-5:30pm
- Harassment Prevention Training for Supervisors and Officials: AB 1661 Training, Friday from 8:45-10:45am
- Housing for All: Framing a New Conversation About Housing in Your Community, Friday from 11:00am-12:15pm

See the [League's website](#) for additional details and to register.



### Beacon Award Reception

ILG will be honoring over 30 cities at our annual Beacon Award Reception. Join us on Thursday, October 17, from 5:30-7:30pm to celebrate the progress made by the winning cities to save energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and implement sustainability best practices.

Not yet a Beacon Program participant? Find out more about the Beacon Program and how to participate on [ILG's website](#).

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## Congratulations to the CSAC Challenge Award Recipients

CSAC has selected 27 counties to receive 2019 Challenge Awards, which spotlight the most innovative programs developed by counties. Award categories include:

- Administration of Justice & Public Safety
- Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources
- Government Finance, Administration & Technology
- Health & Human Services
- Housing, Land Use & Infrastructure



ILG's Executive Director Erica Manuel served as a judge this year. Read more about the counties and their winning programs [here](#).

The Challenge Award recipients will be formally recognized at the CSAC Annual Meeting - December 3-6 in San Francisco. [Visit CSAC's website](#) for more information and to register.

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## Is Your Agency Taking Advantage of SB2 Planning Grants?

We want to know what agencies have applied for SB2 funding and for which projects. [Please take this quick survey](#) to let us know if your agency has applied for funding and for which projects.

### Haven't applied for an SB2 Planning Grant Yet?

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has released the SB 2 Planning Grants [Notice of Funding Availability](#) (NOFA) for approximately \$123 million. The Planning Grants Program provides one-time, non-competitive grants to local governments to update a variety of planning documents and processes that streamline housing approvals and accelerate housing production.

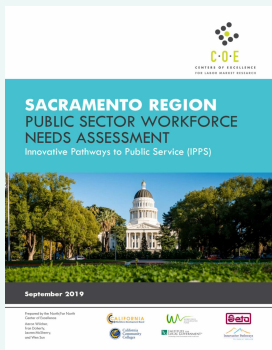
ILG is working with [PlaceWorks](#) to help local governments secure this funding by identifying projects and tools that will help increase housing production. Funding is available for:

- Targeted General Plan Updates
- Community Plans and Specific Plans
- Zoning Updates and By-Right Zoning for Housing
- Objective Design Standards
- Accessory Dwelling Unit Regulations
- Streamlined Environmental Analyses
- Process Updates to Improve and Expedite Local Permitting

Contact Karalee Browne at [kbrowne@ca-ilg.org](mailto:kbrowne@ca-ilg.org) for more information.

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## NEW! Sacramento Region Public Sector Workforce Report



The public sector workforce report previewed at the IPPS Leadership Summit has been released! [Read the full report](#) for comprehensive information on public sector workforce needs in the Sacramento region. The research reveals that one in five jobs in the Sacramento region is in the public sector, offering an abundance of opportunities to leverage our impact to improve the workforce pipeline. The report presents several recommendations for addressing current and future challenges and provides a framework on how to address those recommendations.

For more information about how your agency can work towards creating a pathway to public sector careers, contact Randi Kay Stephens at [rstephens@ca-ilg.org](mailto:rstephens@ca-ilg.org).

## Local Jurisdictions Adaptation and Resiliency Planning: SB 379

ILG partner, the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) is conducting a [mini-survey](#) to learn about local adaptation and resiliency efforts. The results of this survey will help OPR understand how local jurisdictions are meeting SB 379, as well as their obstacles, questions, and innovative strategies. SB 379 requires every local government in California to incorporate climate into the Safety Element of their General Plan, or by reference in other plans.

## News from Our Partners



### 10 Problems You May Have with CalPERS and How to Fix Them

ILG partner Liebert Cassidy Whitmore is hosting a webinar on Tuesday, October 8 to discuss a number of CalPERS reporting and compliance issues that agencies have encountered and how to correct these issues to avoid future liability.

[Read more](#)  
[www.lcwlegal.com](http://www.lcwlegal.com)

### MMANC 2019 Annual Conference

This year's MMANC Conference (October 13-16) will cover issues related to diversity, finance, community engagement, partnerships and more.

[Read more](#)  
[mmancinsacramento.com](http://mmancinsacramento.com)



### MMASC 2019 Annual Conference

This year's MMASC Conference (November 13 -15) will focus primarily on the nuts and bolts of local government management and facilitating opportunities for attendees to connect and build strong connections with local government peers.

[Read more](#)



## Webinar: Housing and Land Use Legislative Update

ILG partner Best Best & Krieger is hosting a webinar on Wednesday, October 30 to provide an update on the key housing and land use bills from 2019 and what to look for in 2020.

[Read more](#)  
[www.bbklaw.com](http://www.bbklaw.com)

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