

Metro Cities News

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Policy Committee Feedback

Thank you to all city officials who participated in Metro Cities' policy committee process this year. Your work and participation are important and greatly appreciated by Metro Cities.

If you served on a policy committee this year, you should have received a request to participate in a brief survey. Thank you in advance for your responses, feedback and any suggestions for the policy committee process. (Click here to participate in the survey.)

Recommended policies will be considered and adopted by the Metro Cities Board of Directors at their October meeting and will then be forwarded for final adoption by Metro Cities' membership on **Thursday**, **November 14th** at the Metro Regional Meeting/Policy Adoption meeting. Click here to register for this meeting and stay tuned for additional information.

Metro Regional Meeting/Metro Cities Policy Adoption Meeting

Join your colleagues from the metropolitan area for the Metro Regional Meeting and Metro Cities' Policy Adoption Meeting on Thursday, November 14th, 2019 at the Sheraton Minneapolis West in Minnetonka!

The regional meeting will include presentations from the commissioners of DEED and Minnesota Housing and a panel regarding how cities can support first responders.

Metro Cities membership will also meet to approve the organization's 2020 legislative policies that serve as the foundation of Metro Cities' work at the Legislature, Executive Branch and Metropolitan Council for the coming year. A membership quorum is required for policy adoption, so each member city should make sure to send a representative! The event will end with a networking social hour.

Click here for more information and to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

DEED Announces Two Job Creation Fund Awards in Metro Region

A Metro Cities-supported DEED economic development program, the Job Creation Fund, announced two metropolitan region awards this week. PeopleNet Communications Corporation in Minnetonka will receive \$600,000 and RMS Company in Coon Rapids will receive \$800,000.

The Job Creation Fund is a pay-for-performance program that provides funding to businesses after they meet certain criteria, including minimum requirements for job creation and private investments. Metro Cities led advocacy efforts in the 2019 legislative session for its funding, totaling \$8 million in each FY2020 and FY2021.

Contact Charlie Vander Aarde at 651-215-4001 or charlie@metrocitiesmn.org with any questions.

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