Then and Now

For more than 66 years, the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association has been the primary voice of community-based services representing the interests of more than 2,600 municipal authorities across the Commonwealth. Services provided by the association include advocacy on governmental issues, education and training, and group programs.

PMAA was established to ‘provide members with a medium for exchange of ideas on mutual authority-related topics, to present a united and common front in advocating favorable legislation and opposing detrimental legislation, and to otherwise promote the general welfare of municipal authorities of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.’

With a membership of active municipal authority members and associate members who provide services to municipal authorities, PMAA’s mission is to encourage and support members to:

- Provide services that protect and enhance the environment;
- Promote economic vitality;
- Promote the general welfare of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Code of Ethics

The Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association recognizes the obligations of authorities to the public, to public officials, to incorporating municipalities, and to the bondholders.
In order to provide the best service and representation for members, PMAA divides the Commonwealth into ten geographical regions. Each region is represented by a member on the PMAA Board of Directors.

**PMAA is...**

Available to answer a wide variety of authority-related questions and membership service-related questions;

In close contact with state agencies and officials, other government associations, and private consultant sources helping PMAA to serve as a clearinghouse for any questions members may have;

A source of information relating to authorities including samples of resolutions, bylaws, job descriptions, and rules and regulations, and makes these sources available to our members;

Available to answer more complex legal concerns affecting authorities through the Association’s legal counsel.
PMAA represents the interests of authorities on legislation and regulations before the state legislature, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and other state and federal entities by:

- Tracking state and federal legislation and regulations;
- Developing comments, positions, statewide legislation and regulatory solutions on issues impacting municipal authorities;
- Testifying at hearings and meetings and interacting with legislators, environmental officials, and others to educate them on critical authority issues and present PMAA positions.

PMAA’s Legislative Committee is made up of members from the ten PMAA regions. Government Relations staff and the legislative committee carefully review authority-related bills and maintain a close working relationship with the General Assembly and DEP.
And there’s more...

**Capital Hill Authority Report (CHAR)**
A newsletter highlighting the activities of the Pennsylvania legislature, DEP, and EPA keeping PMAA members informed about the status of legislation and regulations of interest to municipal authorities.

**The Pennsylvania Municipality Authorities Act**
A complete edition of the Pennsylvania Municipality Authorities Act of 1945 including all amendments, an indispensable up-to-date resource.

**E-Newsletter and Alerts**
Timely legislative and regulatory updates alerting PMAA members about pressing legislative and regulatory issues.

**Legislative Directory**
A comprehensive list of all House and Senate members, district numbers, capital and district mailing and e-mail addresses, phone numbers, as well as committee assignments.

**Government Relations Update**
Legislative and regulatory updates in *THE AUTHORITY*, PMAA’s bimonthly magazine.
**Member Programs**

PMAA offers our active member an array of endorsed membership programs, to help save money through group rates. These programs have been reviewed and discussed through committees to ensure PMAA can offer the very best services to our membership. As authority needs change, PMAA has the ability to modify or add additional membership programs to meet those needs.

**PMAA Unemployment Compensation Trust**
Managed by the PMAA Unemployment Compensation Trust

**PMAA Insurance Trust**
Group life, weekly disability income, and in-hospital indemnity insurance program.

**Worker’s Compensation, Property, Casualty, Environmental & Liability Insurance**
Offered through a proven team of Municipal Risk Management (MRM) & the HDH Group.

**Pennsylvania Local Government Insurance Trust (PLGIT)**
A money market trust fund administered by and for local government.

**Rapid Response System**
An emergency notification system designed to deliver high-speed phone, e-mail, or text messages to your authority customers. Compliant with DEP’s Chapter 109 – Safe Drinking Water Regulation.

**PMAA Health Insurance Trust**
Presented in partnership with the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors’ Trustees Insurance Fund, the program is underwritten by Trustmark Insurance Company and participates in the Aetna Network and the Devon Health Network.
PMAA offers a wide variety of educational and training opportunities for municipal authority board members, staff, and consultants including:

Statewide Annual Conference
An excellent opportunity for authority board members, administrative officials, solicitors, engineers and consultants to exchange ideas and experiences, broaden acquaintances, and gain valuable information from the wide array of conference activities and seminars. The conference features the largest trade show of its kind in Pennsylvania with representatives from businesses and state agencies pertinent to municipal authorities.

Management Workshops
Conducted throughout the year to provide the latest on authority management, operations and procedures, and legislative and regulatory issues.

Solicitor Training
Various sessions approved for continuing legal education credit hours.

Authority Board Member Training
Designed for newly appointed board members and to reacquaint current board members on the workings of municipal authorities.

Environmental & Administrative Issues
Annual fall seminar devoted to federal and state environmental issues impacting authorities. This session is especially designed to develop relationship between authorities and key regulatory agency personnel.
The way we do business has changed dramatically over the past several years. Staying up-to-date with the information needed to operate effectively has become even more essential. Being a PMAA member ensures that you have access to a host of valuable communication tools and opportunities.

The Authority
PMAA’s bi-monthly magazine features technical articles on the most pressing issues, an overview of the impacts surrounding current legislation and regulations, upcoming events, member news items, and classified advertising.

Membership Directory
Published annually, this networking resource features contact information for all members and associate members, PMAA board and committee members, adopted resolutions, and award recipients.

E-newsletter
This monthly desktop update is an efficient way to keep informed about the latest industry news, association happenings, and training and education opportunities.

Website
Navigate your way through PMAA’s website. Access valuable information about member services, training opportunities, regional meetings, contact information, helpful resources, and a searchable associate database allowing you to locate the service professional you need.

Become a member today!
www.municipalauthorities.org