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SFAD – What We Do

• Follow member-developed Core Principles and Legislative Agenda

• Testify before legislative committees

• Meet with legislators and staff

• Work with various State Departments and other interest groups as new policies are developed and implemented

• Provide information for you to talk with legislators

• Staff five internal issue committees

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SFAD – Committee Process

• Staff five internal issue committees:
  1. Energy, Environment and Technology
  2. Land Use and Economic Development
  3. Municipal Finance
  4. Municipal Services
  5. Transportation and Infrastructure

• Review legislation
• Make recommendations to the League’s board of trustees, which then reviews the policy positions
The Michigan Legislature…

Makes decisions daily that impact communities

- 4,000 bills introduced each session on average; 2/3 will affect your municipality
- Michigan is one of only a handful of states with a true fulltime legislature
- You have year-round access to your state legislators
The League at Work for You

...in Washington, D.C.

• Monitor federal legislation and budget that impacts communities
• Meet with congressional leaders and staff in Washington D.C.
• Work with the National League of Cities on legislative efforts
  • www.nlc.org
Day of a Legislator

- Face hundreds of issues daily, majority of which are complex and they may have little background in.
- Always at work, whether in District or in Lansing.
- Lobbyist for nearly every special interest.
- Meet with many lobbyists each day.
- In the age of term limits, lobbyists also educators.
- Exactly why local officials must be proactive in educating their lawmakers.

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Local Concerns are Complex

- Financial concerns
- Aging infrastructure
- Economic factors
- Personnel and human resources issues
- Again, many legislators have little experience with local issues = Be An Active Voice!
Help Us Help You

Stay Informed

• mml.org
• Inside 208 blog
• Sign-up on mml.org to receive action alerts, issue advisories and the weekly Legislative Link e-Newsletter
• Tell us when issues arise in your community
• Tell us when you will be in Lansing

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Relationships with Lawmakers

• Make it a priority to develop relationships with your legislators
• Talk regularly during legislative session on key issues
• Meet with them in district
• Let them know your priorities
• Build relationships with their staff
• Get connected with them on social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc).
Say “Thank You”

• Thank legislators and the governor when they help your community

• Ways to express gratitude:
  • Simple phone call
  • Favorable remarks at local functions
  • Acknowledgments on cable television, etc.
  • News releases
  • Press events
  • Council resolutions
  • Public letters
Invite Lawmakers to Town

- Invite them to local meetings
- Host roundtable discussions
- Provide opportunities for lawmakers to address local officials and the public
- Get them on your local T.V. stations, radio talk shows and in the newspapers
Constant Contact

• Both when there is an issue and when there is not.
• Put your issues at the top of their “to-do” list:
  • Contact legislators frequently and repeatedly
  • Phone, email, letters (use our online Action Center for info.)
  • Never assume they know your position
Strength in Numbers

• Build Coalitions
• Coalitions get the Legislature’s attention
• Other communities, associations, local groups can be effective allies
• An opponent on one issue may be an ally on another
Elevate the Conversation - Media

• Build relationships with media outlets in your area
  • Brand yourself as a helpful resource for reporters
  • Meet with editorial boards

• Information to Share:
  • Impact of state proposals / new bills on the community
  • Ceremonies / events
  • New community projects
  • Recently passed resolutions
Be Active with the League

• Visit Lansing and spend time in our Capital Office!
• Attend League events like Capital Conference
• Build relationships with your legislators
• Testify before legislative committees
• Respond to League action alerts
Michigan Legislature Website

Becoming familiar with legislation and the Michigan Legislature’s website:

www.legislature.mi.gov
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Legislative Committee Meetings - Webpage
How to read a Bill - Webpage

- Bold language
- Stricken language
- New acts
- Single vs. multi-section bills
Don’t Forget Congress

U.S. Reps. And Sens. Need to Hear from you Too!

• Phone calls, emails, Capitol Hill visits
• Invite senators and representatives to your community when they are in town.
• Visit face-to-face on Capitol Hill
• https://www.congress.gov/
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