Join the Maine Municipal Association's Education & Training Advisory Council -Your Opportunity to Shape Municipal Training and Professional Development!

The Maine Municipal Association (MMA) is excited to announce the call for nominations for our Education and Training Advisory Council – a pivotal initiative tasked with supporting and advising MMA on ongoing municipal education and training needs across the state.

Why Join the Advisory Council?

The Advisory Council plays a crucial role in shaping the educational and training landscape for Maine's municipal workforce. By joining, you'll have the opportunity to influence educational and training programs for municipal officials, ensure that MMA's education and training programs remain responsive to members' needs, and foster collaboration and partnerships that will strengthen training programs. Since 2023, the Advisory Council has focused on municipal leadership training, workforce development, marketing and outreach for training programs, and ongoing training needs assessment.

Who We're Looking For:

We invite ALL municipal elected officials, appointed officials, and employees from MMA member municipalities to nominate themselves for a two-year term beginning on July 1, 2025. We are particularly interested in individuals who fall into the following categories:

- Elected municipal officials
- Front-line supervisors
- Human resources professionals

The Advisory Council meets five times annually – twice in person for a full day, and three times via Zoom for 2-3 hours. For in-person meetings, all travel expenses for Council members are reimbursed by MMA.

Nomination Details:

If you're ready to take on this exciting opportunity, submit your nomination by Monday, April 28, 2025 to Peter Osborne, MMA Director of Educational Services, via email at posborne@memun.org or by US Mail to: Peter Osborne, c/o Maine Municipal Association, 60 Community Dr, Augusta, ME 04330.

Please include:

- A brief letter of interest outlining your motivation for serving on the Council; your relevant skills and experiences; and which of the above categories apply to you (if any)
- A letter of support from your direct supervisor, or selectboard chair, mayor, or council chair in the case of a manager. A letter of support is not required for elected officials.

<u>Appointment Process</u>: The nominating committee will review all nominations and recommend candidates for the Advisory Council to the MMA Executive Committee, who will decide on appointments at their June 2025 meeting.

<u>Connect with Us</u>: For any questions or additional information, feel free to contact Peter Osborne by email (posborne@memun.org) or phone (207-623-8428 x2390).

Your commitment to municipal training and professional development can make a lasting impact. Join the MMA Education & Training Advisory Council and be a part of shaping Maine's municipal future!