

## 2017 Local Government Innovation Conference Agenda

### Keynote -

Leigh Tami – City of Cincinnati, Chief Performance and Analytics Officer

**Topic: Data driven governance:** The Cincinnati Chief Performance Officer will share her experience reimagining city response to resident need. She wrote data-based performance agreements with department heads and launched [CincyInsights](#), a new portal with 15 dashboards.

At a cost of around \$55,000, the dashboards let [Cincinnati residents track](#) everything from emergency medical responses to trash collection, updated every 10 minutes, and snow removal, updated every three minutes. Dashboards on snowplow progress, the visualization of the month, and the heroin epidemic were among the most popular.

### Workshops –

#### Track 1 – Shared Services

Shared Services workshops feature local government officials who have successfully shared or consolidated responsibility for a common local government function and, when pertinent, relevant state agencies. The featured speakers assist attendees work to deliver similar solutions for their communities. The topics chosen for this year's Shared Services workshops were selected by DOS staff in response to local expressions of interest, including many of the submitted Countywide Shared Services Initiative (CWSSI) plans received for 2017.

- **County Coordinated Emergency Services** – This session will review ways that county leaders are working with local officials and emergency services providers to enhance critical emergency health services to their residents. Panelist include officials who have completed a county-led initiative and those that are in process.
  - PJ Keeler – EMS Coordinator, Columbia County
  - Vince Horrigan - County Executive, Chautauqua County
  - Patty Bashaw - EMS Coordinator, Essex County
  - Lee Burns – Bureau Director, NYS Department of Health
  
- **Health Insurance Consortiums** – Currently there are eleven Article 47 Municipal Health Insurance Consortiums operating in New York State, all but one of which are school district consortiums. This session will bring together a representative from the one local government consortium in operation, as well as officials from other local governments who are considering the development of consortiums.
  - Judy Drake – Chairperson, Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium
  - Kathy Rooney – County Manager, Schenectady County
  - Stephanie Engster – CSEA, Tompkins County
  - Troy Oechsner – NYS Department of Financial Services

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- **Consolidated and Regional Courts** – From the recently submitted Countywide Shared Services Plans, no less than 7 counties described shared courts as both an opportunity and challenge. This session will provide attendees the opportunity to discuss how one county is looking to shared courts, as well as learn from the implementation of joint court systems on the Tug Hill plateau.
  - Matthew Ossenfort – County Executive, Montgomery County
  - Angie Kimball - Local Government Advisor, NYS Tug Hill Commission

### Track 2 – Information Technology

The pace of technologic evolution has never been faster, and new tools are producing unprecedented amounts of data. These workshops will introduce strategies elected and top management officials can employ to build the information infrastructure you need to deliver the outcomes – better service and lower cost – your constituents expect.

- **Panel: Data as a Strategic Asset** – Government has never had greater opportunities or challenges collecting, managing, and understanding data. This panel will discuss the concept of data as a strategic asset, trends in local, state, and federal government, and implications for local government. The panel will address the strategic role of data in such topics as performance management, open data, and cybersecurity.
  - Leigh Tami – Chief Performance and Analytics Officer, City of Cincinnati
  - Andrew Nicklin – Director of Data Practices, Center for Government Excellence, Johns Hopkins University
  - Todd Harbour – Chief Data Officer, State of New York
  - Panel Moderator: Meghan Cook, Program Director Center for Technology in Government, University at Albany
- **Innovation Workshop: Exploring and Informing Data Capabilities of Local Governments in New York** – This workshop will explore challenges as well as the tools and resources needed to collect, manage, and use data to support local government operations and services. Participants will have the opportunity to consider their own organizational, technical, and human resource capabilities to use data. They will also be asked to provide input on how a statewide data strategy can serve the interests and needs of counties, cities, towns, and villages.
  - Workshop Facilitator: Meghan Cook, Program Director Center for Technology in Government, University at Albany
- **Approaches to Building Information** – Grants from the Financial Restructuring Board for Local Government (FRB) and Local Government Efficiency (LGE) programs have supported innovative information-building projects across the state. This panel will discuss three specific projects that illustrate the wide variety of ways municipalities can partner and obtain state support to produce better information or information systems.
  - Bob LaColla, Supervisor, Town of Fishkill
    - Discussing Local Highway Data Project – Created a shared, open-ended system among 8 municipalities in Dutchess County to produce accurate, detailed information about highway assets and operational costs.

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- John Reilly – Supervisor, Town of Gallatin  
Supervisor Reilly will discuss “in-house” actions that the Town Board has taken to track municipal physical assets and leverage that information in terms of long-term planning and management.
- Erik Scrivener – Senior Planner, Otsego County  
Discussing Sign Retro-Reflectivity Project – Lowered cost of highway sign replacement among all municipal highway departments in Otsego County