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Message from FACC Mentoring Committee Chair



Message from FACC Mentoring Committee Chair City Clerk Renee M. Shrout, CMC, City of Oakland Park:

Stay safe; stay well. Challenging times call for reaching out.

With all the uncertainty these days with Covid-19 challenges, there is no better time to remember that the FACC has a Mentoring Committee. The FACC Discussion Forum works great in most instances. Still, having a one-on-one conversation with a clerk you feel comfortable with (rather than a larger group) can provide reassurance to a specific problem, process, or issue. Sharing uncertainties in this profession is particularly crucial for new clerks immersed in a world of requirements and procedures that may feel daunting and who may be timid.

We all want to be successful, and that works best when we share knowledge and experiences – good and bad. Please consider being a mentor or mentee by completing this [application](#) today. Let's do what we do best, and help each other be successful.

About the Mentoring Committee

The Mentoring Committee mentors FACC members (predominantly new clerks and interim clerks) in the duties and responsibilities of the profession. This committee provides a framework to exchange knowledge, experiences, and methods between clerks' offices to provide assistance and support with daily duties. The committee pairs members with

mentoring clerks for the best possible match, with thought to the municipality's population, range of responsibilities, and proximity. If you are interested in having a mentor or are available to serve as a mentor, please contact the Mentoring Committee Chair Renee ShROUT, CMC, at renees@oaklandparkfl.gov (954) 630-4300 or FACC staff at facc@flcities.com.

Highlight



We will be highlighting a different member each week to share "what it means to be a member of FACC" for that person.

Today, enjoy reading about **Kim Barnes, MMC, City Clerk, City of Fort Walton Beach.**

Twenty-eight years of my professional career have been spent working for local government. I have been the city clerk for the City of Fort Walton Beach for the last five years. Prior to being appointed as the city clerk, I served as the city's customer service administrator for eight years. Prior to my time in Fort Walton Beach, I was the city clerk and finance director for the City of Vidalia, Georgia, for 15 years. Being a member of the Georgia Municipal Clerks and Finance Officers Association, the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and now the Florida Association of City Clerks, has given me the tools I need to do my job well, and for that I will be forever grateful. [Read More.](#)

Member News

CMC Certifications



- City Clerk Ruth Nickerson, CMC, City of Treasure Island
- Town Clerk Courtney Russo, CMC, Town of Orange Park

Congratulations, Ruth and Courtney!

Florida Certification Task Force Survey

The Florida Association of City Clerks (FACC) State Certification Task Force is seeking your input to determine if a Florida specific certification would be beneficial to you and to your city. Education is the key component of FACC; and as municipal clerks it is important that we promote life-long learning and continued skill development as laws, technology, and the copious amount of other duties evolve.



A state certification is intended to supplement our current certification offerings (CMC, MMC) and not replace them. A Florida certification would be specific to Florida laws, statutes, rules and regulations. It would provide an extension of educational opportunities so we can continue our lifelong learning pledge.

The survey deadline is August 28th at 2:00 p.m. EST.

[Take the Survey](#)

Update Contact Information

Our membership directory (for the 2020 - 2021 fiscal year) will be finalized September 4, 2020.

If you do not renew by September 4, 2020, you will not be included in the directory.

We are asking members to please login to your member portal by September 4th to review your contact information.

Please only submit professional head shots to be included in the directory.

Email any changes to facc@flcities.com.

[Click here](#) to login to your member portal.



2020 FLC CityStats Survey: Your Data Matters!



The annual Florida League of Cities CityStats survey launched on Monday, June 29. The 2020 survey is being conducted online via survey links that were emailed to each city's designated key contact. Your survey link is unique to your city. If the link was not received, please contact [FLC Research Analyst, Liane Giroux](#). CityStats is a vital source of information for League members, League advocacy and education staff, state agencies and research institutes across the state. Make sure your city takes part! If you would like to review the online survey prior to logging in, a [PDF of the questions](#) is available. **The survey deadline is Monday, August 31.**

Coronavirus Resources



Resources

FACC has created a web page dedicated to resources for you regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19). [View Resources.](#)

Job Openings



[Browse](#) current job openings.

Upcoming Events

To view a list of all upcoming FACC Board of Directors Meetings, [click here](#).

2020 Fall Academy, Marriott Lake Mary, Orlando

October 18-22, 2020

#FACCFall2020

Room Rate: \$149 per night

Member Rate: \$400 approximately

75th Annual IIMC Conference, Grand Rapids, MI

Embrace the Rapids: Maneuvering in a Changing World

May 9-13, 2021

2021 Summer Conference and Academy, PGA National, Palm Beach Gardens

June 26-30, 2021

#FACCSummer2021

Room Rate: \$169 per night

Member Rate: \$350 approximately

2021 Fall Academy, The Shores Hotel, Daytona Beach Shores

October 17-21, 2021

#FACCFall2021

Room Rate: \$129 per night
Member Rate: \$400 approximately



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