



Serving our
members
through
advocacy,
education
and services

Advocating for strong cities

AWC represents the interests of Washington's diverse cities and towns. During city visits, regional discussions, and conferences, we listen to what matters most to you, and then advocate on your behalf in Olympia and Washington, D.C. We provide legislative updates and analysis of complex issues, and our Advocacy Academy and timely action alerts help you know when and how to engage with decision-makers.



2/3 of the state's population live in cities



Nearly all of the state's GDP is generated within the economic influence area of cities

Training that is mobile, meaningful and manageable

AWC targets education for municipal leadership, offering trainings and resources that are online and in person, meaningful to your work, and manageable for your busy schedule. From conferences and issue-driven forums, to a robust eLearning library, we tailor our trainings to meet your schedule and budget.

Certificate of Municipal Leadership

Our Certificate of Municipal Leadership (CML) program recognizes city elected officials for expanding their leadership skills by accomplishing training in four core areas, including:

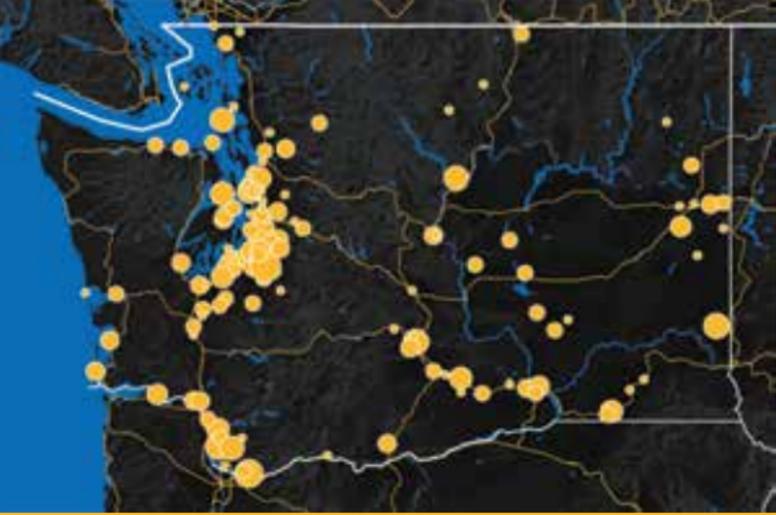


- Effective local leadership
- Community planning and development
- Public sector resource development
- Roles, responsibilities, and legal requirements

Elected officials are automatically enrolled. Look for trainings and events with the CML icon.

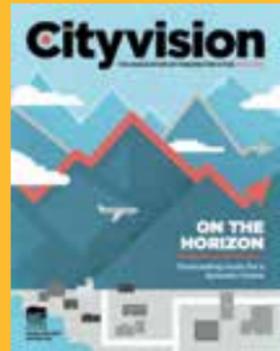


Research and data for fact-based decision-making



AWC's wealth of resources and research tools help city leaders identify trends and make decisions. Valuable data is available on AWC's Open Data Portal and through data collection efforts including the salary and benefits survey and the tax and user fee survey.

Our resources range from practical handbooks to topical publications, including the award-winning *Cityvision* magazine.



Increase capacity with the AWC GIS Consortium

AWC's GIS Consortium increases cities and towns' capacity to utilize Geographic Information System (GIS) technology. By leveraging collective buying power, the GIS Consortium gives members the resources and knowledge to fully implement the best GIS solution.

Member Pooling Programs — there's power in pooling, it's the right choice for cities

AWC member employers have the option to join any of AWC's Member Pooling Programs. Our member-driven programs emphasize cost savings, loss prevention, and excellent customer service.

AWC created these programs especially for cities and towns that need quality benefits and services at a reasonable cost. The pooling of similar employers keeps overall costs lower and more predictable.

AWC Employee Benefit Trust

Providing a broad selection of benefit options and health management programs.

AWC Risk Management Service Agency (RMSA)

Offering comprehensive coverage for property and liability needs, with a focus on risk prevention.

AWC Workers' Comp Retro

Helping employers lower risks for on-the-job injuries, reducing overall workers' compensation costs.

AWC Drug & Alcohol Consortium

Assisting members to fulfill federally-mandated drug and alcohol testing requirements for commercial driver license (CDL) holders.



Serving cities and towns through advocacy, education and services

Serving our members since 1933, the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan corporation. Membership is voluntary, yet AWC consistently maintains 100% participation of our 281 cities and towns year-after-year.

What does AWC do?



Advocacy

We work with city officials to tell decision-makers with a collective voice that strong cities make a great state.



Training and events

We provide education for municipal leaders, offering trainings that are relevant in today's fast-paced, dynamic world.



Data and resources

Our research and publications help city leaders make fact-based decisions, identify trends, and explore new ways to approach city issues.



Member Pooling Programs

The pooling of like-employers keeps overall costs lower and more predictable, which allows our members to spend valuable resources in their community.

Connect with us!

awcnet.org

Visit our website for trainings and events, tools and resources, and information designed specifically for city elected officials and staff.



Peruse our weekly **CityVoice** newsletter for fresh news that cities find helpful and topical. Find trainings, grants, data, city successes, state and federal resources, and how you can stay involved with AWC.



Read our **Legislative Bulletin** to get updates on what state legislators are working on, how it impacts cities, and what you can do to help.



Dive into Member Pooling Program newsletters for important updates, member benefits, technical assistance, scholarships, and training.

- *For Your Health*
- *RMSA News*
- *Your Retro Resource*
- *D&A Digest*



Follow us on social media to see the latest at AWC through pictures, graphs, articles, and videos.



Vision

AWC is a highly respected voice of cities and towns before the Legislature, Congress, government agencies, and others. We are the leader in providing valuable services and continuing education for our membership. We are the catalyst for promoting communication between cities and towns and for developing a broad public understanding of the important roles of cities and towns across the state.



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