

As an MTA member, you belong to the largest community of local government officials in the state. Our **Regional Meetings** are a great opportunity to connect with that community, MTA staff and other municipal experts to discuss the latest issues impacting townships. This full-day event offers practical, real-world insights designed to cut through complexity and bring clarity to what matters most—from navigating legal pitfalls and avoiding costly missteps, to financial fundamentals and staying ahead of legislative changes.

Engaging, relevant and grounded in everyday township challenges, each session is built to help you ask better questions, spot risks sooner and make more informed decisions for your community. Whether you're strengthening your foundation or fine-tuning your approach, this is your one-stop event for sharper thinking, stronger oversight and smarter governance. Sessions include:

Legislative Lowdown: Gain insights into the new fiscal year's state budget and the latest laws impacting your township. Hear about the priorities shaping the 103rd legislative session, what lies ahead for the remainder of the session, and how your involvement can help make a difference.

Led by MTA's Government Relations Team

Financial Forum: A practical look at fiscal best practices, preparing for potential downturns and recognizing financial stress. Learn proactive strategies to maintain stability, respond to red flags and understand the steps to take if your township is already facing financial trouble.

Led by Michigan Department of Treasury's Local Audit & Finance Division

Municipal Missteps: Sometimes the biggest lessons come from the biggest mistakes. Review legal landmines, unintended consequences and "wait ... can we do that?" moments that trip up townships. From well-intentioned decisions to costly oversights, we'll help you spot trouble early and avoid common pitfalls.

Led by MTA Legal Counsel, Bauckham, Thall, Seeber, Kaufman & Koches

Back to Basics Boot Camp, Where There Are No Silly Questions: Special meeting notices, Freedom of Information Act deadlines, meeting procedures—some questions come up again and again. Join us as we tackle the most frequently asked township questions. You'll get practical answers, useful reminders and a chance to have your own questions addressed by experts.

Led by MTA's Member Information Services Team

Turning Your Audit into Insights: An audit presentation should be more than flipping through financial statements and nodding along. Get an insider's take on the audit process to learn what questions you should be asking and what details deserve a closer look. Unpack who should be talking to whom and when, and turn your audit into a powerful tool for oversight.

Led by Rehmann Public Sector financial experts

Reviving Rural Infrastructure: Looking for affordable financing for your infrastructure project? Learn how townships can access low-interest loan financing to support infrastructure, public facilities, and essential services. Current program focus is on core projects like water, sewer, housing, public safety, fire and rescue, telecommunications, libraries and more.

Led by USDA Rural Development State Director of Michigan Dom Restuccia

Agenda

8:30 a.m.
Check-in, continental breakfast
and vendor showcase

9 a.m.
Welcome

9:20 a.m.
Legislative Lowdown

10:30 a.m.
Meet the vendors

10:45 a.m.
Vendor showcase

11:15 a.m.
Financial Forum

12:30 p.m.
Networking lunch

1:30 p.m.
Municipal Missteps
OR
Back to Basics Boot Camp

2:45 p.m.
Dessert break

3 p.m.
Turning Your Audit into Insights
OR
Reviving Rural Infrastructure

4:15 p.m.
Meeting adjourns

Elective credits for candidates
pursuing Red Book Ready and the
Township Governance Academy.



MTA Fall Regional Meetings

Township & County

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*Confirmations will be sent via email to individual registrants.
To add or update an email, contact MTA at (517) 321-6467, ext. 253
or email databse@michigantownships.org.*

Which location will you attend?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sept. 22: Bay City | <input type="checkbox"/> Oct. 7: Thompsonville |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sept. 23: Jackson | <input type="checkbox"/> Oct. 8: Spring Lake |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Oct. 13: Gaylord |

▶ **Early-bird Rate*:** *Expires three weeks prior to event*
\$125/person

▶ **Late Rate*:** *Applies three weeks prior to event*
\$175/person

# of Persons	Registration Fee	Total
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**Rates apply to MTA-member townships. All others, call for rates.*

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To Register

Send completed form to
MTA, P.O. Box 80078, Lansing, MI 48908-0078.
Email rebecca@michigantownships.org
or fax to (517) 321-8908.
Register online at <https://bit.ly/MTARegionals>

Dates and locations

September 22: Bay Valley Resort
2470 Old Bridge Rd., Bay City (989) 686-3500

September 23: American 1 Event Center
128 W. Ganson St., Jackson (517) 788-4320

October 7: Crystal Center at Crystal Mountain Resort
12500 Crystal Mountain Dr., Thompsonville (855) 995-5146

October 8: Holiday Inn Grand Haven-Muskegon by IHG
940 W. Savidge St., Spring Lake (616) 846-1000

October 13: Treetops Resort Conf. Center (855) 261-8764
3962 Wilkinson Rd., Gaylord
Conference Center is located beyond the tennis courts.

Additional details included in emailed registration confirmation.

Lodging and special needs

Discounted lodging is available at select locations; see your event confirmation email for details. Participants with special dietary or accessibility needs should call MTA at (517) 321-6467, ext. 230 or email kristin@michigantownships.org at least a week in advance.

Cancellations and substitutions

Written cancellation requests received two weeks prior to the event date will receive a full refund. No refunds will be issued thereafter without extenuating circumstances. You may switch meeting locations at no charge if you notify us at least one week prior to the date; otherwise, a \$30 fee will be assessed. You may substitute another individual from your township at no charge; please notify MTA of the change.

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current issues facing
townships



Fall Regional Meetings

A full-day event connecting your township with municipal experts for discussion on the most current challenges facing townships


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