MLGMA Member Survey 2014

Summary of Results
MLGMA Summer Workshop
July 25, 2014
Conferences
Winter Comments

• Generally positive comments on the Winter Conference.
• Some expressed concerns about the quality of speakers and the continued use of sports related keynotes.
• Interest in providing more content depth.
Summer Comments

• Numerous comments on the Summer Conference were to note the individual’s lack of attendance or regular attendance the Summer Conference.
• Many other comments such as:
  “Summer conference has too much social activities and not enough substance for a conference”
  “Seems more like a social outing than a professional conference”
  “Days are usually less than full and hard to justify the use of taxpayer dollars”
  “Summer is too much of a social gathering and hardly any educational programs”
  “I really avoid the Summer”
  “I would rather see more education for the summer [conference] or put the money toward an even better winter conference and just plan a summer party”
Opportunities to Learn About and Engage in MLGMA’s Efforts

• There is an opportunity to better engage members, but most feel well informed.
• More interaction with the organization is desired at the two conferences.
Host Community

Conferences should be held in professionally managed communities.

Winter 51%  Summer 39%

Priority should be given to communities/locations that can accommodate the conference...

Winter 37%  Summer 38%
Professional Development
I frequently participate and find them valuable.
I have attended but they proved of little value.
A waste of time.
Too expensive.
I cannot find the time to attend, but would like to.
Not typically offered at a convenient time.
I did not know these opportunities were available.
No answer.
Other.

Other Professional Development Opportunities
Feedback on MLGMA Scholarship Program

- I am familiar with the MLGMA Scholarship Program
- MLGMA's Scholarship Program is relevant to the organization
- MLGMA's Scholarship Program is relevant to me
- I plan to apply for a scholarship in 2014
- I plan to apply for a scholarship in the next two years
- I plan to apply for a scholarship in the next five years
Coaching/Mentoring
MLGMA's coaching and mentoring efforts are important for growing future local government managers.

MLGMA should be aggressive in engaging university students.

I would be willing to serve as a coach/mentor if someone asked.

I would visit a university to speak to a class if I was asked.

I actively look for opportunities to engage with younger MLGMA members.

I actively look for opportunities to reach out to potential local government managers including students.

The Cal-ICMA Coaching Program is important to MLGMA and provides value to its members.

I would use a coaching gallery/directory if one existed.

Coaching and Mentoring Feedback

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neutral
- Somewhat Agree
- Strongly Agree
- No Answer
Do You Currently Have an Intern?

- Yes, Unpaid: 9%
- Yes, Paid: 22%
- I plan to hire an Intern in the coming year: 10%
- No: 59%

Do You Have an Entry Level Position?

- Yes: 20%
- No: 75%
- I plan to hire an entry level person in the coming year: 3%
- Other: 2%
Engaging in MLGMA
Next Steps