ABOUT US

We are a learning network for mayors committed to shared prosperity, environmental sustainability, and efficient democratic government. Around the country, mayors are leading on pressing issues—climate change, racial equity, economic revitalization, housing, and more. We provide clear, useful information on policies and programs of interest to mayors and create high-quality peer learning experiences for local leaders. We give mayors a chance to step back, look at the big picture, work through problems, and develop solutions with peers and leading experts.

Participating cities reflect a broad diversity of population, geography, economic situation, form of government, and more. All mayors are welcome. Since its inception, over 250 cities, representing over 52 million people in 44 states and Canada, have participated. The Mayors Innovation Project provides an opportunity to pull back from the crises of the day and focus on what you’re really trying to accomplish over your term of service.

LEARN

The Mayors Innovation Project connects mayors with research and expertise relevant to the challenges their city is facing. Mayorsinnovation.org provides cities with new policy innovations, best practices, case studies, and other resources.

EXCHANGE

Mayors Innovation Project meetings provide a forum for mayors to share best practices. Many of the best policy ideas discussed at meetings come from our member city mayors who led their implementation.

NETWORK

The Mayors Innovation Project helps you connect with mayors from around the country, share your successes and lessons learned, and get exposure to cutting edge ideas. Our meetings provide an off-the-record collegial environment in which to discuss new ideas.

INNOVATE

At each Mayors Innovation Project meeting, we aim to send you back to your city with new policy ideas you can implement immediately to improve quality of life. We also provide customized technical assistance as you implement policies that benefit your residents and community.
MEETINGS

Mayors Innovation Project meetings are informal but packed with substance. Our steering committee, made up of mayors and other city leaders, select relevant and timely policy areas for each meeting. We then invite mayors who are leading on those issues to present alongside national experts. Mayors have a chance to share their experiences, get advice from other mayors and experts, and then continue to receive support upon returning home. We focus on the “conversation in the hallway” that is often rushed at busy national meetings but can prove to be incredibly useful in advancing goals.

MEMBER CITY PERKS

- FREE, unlimited registrations to our Summer and Winter meetings.
- Invite-only, topic-specific and/or regional meetings, often including travel support.
- Access to the Mayors Innovation Project network, including policy experts, current and former mayors, and senior city staff.
- Technical assistance from Mayors Innovation Project staff and policy experts—members can request up to three short policy memos per year.
- Workshops, ongoing support, and resources for first-term mayors.

Learn more about membership and our next meeting at mayorsinnovation.org, or contact us at 608-890-0730 or info@mayorsinnovation.org.

JOIN US

We invite all mayors to join the Mayors Innovation Project.