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The **Water Leadership Program** is a series of workshops and trainings designed to support the organizations and communities responsible for managing our state's water resources by strengthening their financial & managerial capacity.

Upcoming Events:

October 26, 2004 – “Financing Strategies for On-Site Wastewater Systems,” Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC

January 26-27, 2005 – “Capital Finance Strategies for Water Utilities,” UNC School of Government

The UNC **Environmental Finance Center** works with local communities and government agencies to address environmental challenges by developing innovative financial management and environmental policy strategies and systems.

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Environmental Finance Center presents

Are you a water or wastewater utility board member?

Do you want to learn more about your financial & legal responsibilities?

Financial Leadership for Water Utility Boards



Now accepting fall 2004 applications

Co-Sponsors:

- NC League of Municipalities
- NC Association of County Commissioners
- NC Rural Water Association
- NC American Water Works Association-Water Environment Association

Funding assistance provided by:

- SE-TAC (Southeastern Regional Small Public Water Systems Technical Assistance Center)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.



Did you know that in 2002, government water and wastewater utilities in North Carolina collected over 1.4 billion dollars in revenue?



What is the “Financial Leadership for Water Utility Governing Boards” Program?

A series of small participatory workshops in which utility finance specialists will work with local boards to expand their understanding of their financial management obligations and responsibilities. Workshop topics will include:

- Legal financial oversight responsibilities
- Rates and charges
- Capital planning
- Finance tools – capital reserve funds, cash flow projection models

Why attend?

Recent developments across the country have reinforced the importance of financial management in assuring the ability of utilities, especially small ones, to provide high quality, safe, environmentally sound services to their customers. Assessing and strengthening financial capacity is now a federal and state regulatory requirement.

Who can attend?

Water and wastewater utility governing boards, municipal councils, county commissions, sanitary district boards, and water and sewer authority boards. Priority is given to smaller systems that are facing financial difficulty. The majority of the board must attend.

Schedule:

Trainings will start in the fall of 2004.

Cost:

Nominal fees will be charged. Funding assistance is available to the Boards of smaller systems (serving less than 10,000).

Location:

The School of Government will come to your community for a 2–5 hour workshop.

Application:

Enrollment is limited. To apply, complete the attached application form and return it to the EFC. You will then be contacted with further details. Applications can be mailed or faxed to:

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Collaborative Organizations Include:

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Financial Leadership for Water Utility Boards—Application Form

Water/Wastewater System Name

Contact Person

Address

Phone

First

Middle Initial

State

Zip

Fax

E-mail

Prioritize from 1- 5 (1 being the most important, 5 the least) the importance of the following issues facing your utility:

- ___ Rates and charges
- ___ Financing new infrastructure
- ___ Interlocal cooperation
- ___ Maintenance & replacement of existing assets
- ___ Financial impacts on low income residents

Other topics you are interested in:

Please fill out the form and send to the **Environmental Finance Center**, School of Government, CB# 3330 Knapp-Sanders Building, UNC Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3330. You may also fax form to the EFC at 919-843-2528.