

Make Plans to Attend PILD in 2023

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In April, I spent part of Travel Tuesday looking at prices for plane tickets to Ronald Regan Washington National Airport. While I am a veteran PILD attendee (this will make my 8th), I always learn new ideas, gain new perspectives, and meet wonderful colleagues from around the country!

I hope you also plan to attend the 2023 Public Issues Leadership Development Conference, April 16-19, at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, VA. The national planning committee meets monthly,

and plans are falling in place for an exciting, informative conference.

Last year, we hosted a series of pre-conference sessions via zoom to help those attending. The informative sessions allowed attendees extra time to prepare for hill visits and

other related impact areas. They were very successful, so this year, during the week of March 27, we will again offer a variety of pre-conference sessions to help you prepare for the conference. Be on the lookout for an announcement on the final program and registration. If you are a first-timer, apply for a scholarship to help offset costs. The scholarship portal will open soon.

NEAFCS has three representatives on the planning committee. Robin Ridgley, an education committee member from Illinois; Susan Routh, Immediate Past President, and myself as VP of Public Affairs. It is an honor to represent our members and meet with outstanding colleagues from the nation. I hope to see you at PILD!



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Public Issues Leadership Development (PILD) conference is open to all members, not just affiliate leaders. If you are flying in, select Regan National Airport, as it is close to the hotel.