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#### Conversation with Congresswoman Axne

- Join the League on September 9 at 10 a.m. for a conversation with Congresswoman Axne about federal legislation, including the infrastructure package as it works its way through the U.S. House of Representatives.
- <u>Registration is required</u>.

#### American Rescue Plan Reporting (ARP)

- As the application window to receive ARP funds will soon be closing, it is time to start considering allowable uses, work on obligating the funds, and most importantly, providing necessary reports to the U.S. Treasury.
- Reporting requirements will be a necessary and ongoing component of utilizing Federal disaster relief funds and you should familiarize yourself with these requirements before they are due.
- <u>This Treasury website on compliance and reporting</u> is a valuable resource for getting started. Please note that reporting guidance is different for cities with a population of less than 250K and that received less than \$5 million.

#### Broadband Consulting Services Available through Iowa OCIO

- The state of Iowa has entered into a contract with the Fiber Utilities Group to provide local governments with resources on how best to deploy broadband using federal, state, and local funds.
- To read the full press release and find contact info for appropriate individuals, view the press release here.

## 2020 Census Numbers

- lowa's overall population grew by about 4.7%, which is more than several of our regional/peer states but less than the national average of 7.4%.
- These figures, which will be used to calculate state revenue sharing such as RUTF and LOSST, can be found at the <u>lowa State University</u> <u>Extension website</u>.

## Solar Siting Webinar

- As more lowans are adding solar to their homes and businesses, communities are wrestling with how to maintain the community's character while keeping zoning and inspection requirements modern.
- 1000 Friends of Iowa is hosting a webinar geared toward city officials, planners, architects and anyone thinking about solar and city zoning.
- The webinar will take place via Zoom on September 1 at 11 a.m. Registration required.

## **Governor's Proclamation Extended**

- Governor Reynolds has continued to issue public health
  - proclamations. However, many provisions that were in effect earlier this year are no longer active.
- To view the proclamation, which will be active until September 19, visit the <u>lowa Homeland Security website</u>.

# Special Election to Fill House District 37

- Following the passing of Representative John Landon, a special election for Iowa House District 37 will occur on September 14.
- Republicans have nominated Interim Director of the Department of Management Michael Bousselot and Democrats have nominated Andrea Phillips, who has run for this seat in the past.



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