

Academy for Excellence in Local Governance

Torchbearer Program Application

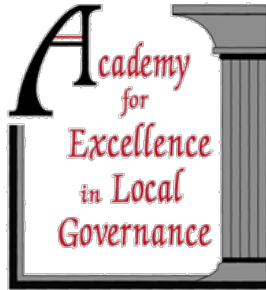
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WAYS TO EARN TORCHBEARER POINTS	POINTS
Attend an Academy Graduate Course <i>(Exclusive courses offered to Academy Graduate Fellows – at least two held annually)</i>	25
Attend a MACo or MML Conference or LGIT Annual Meeting <i>(Both Associations offer 2 annually)</i>	<u>10</u> each
Retake an Academy Core Course <i>(Offered at MACo and MML Conferences, the LGIT Annual Meeting, and occasionally as stand-alone courses)</i>	<u>10</u> each
Take an Academy Elective Course <i>(Offered at MACo and MML Conferences)</i>	<u>5</u> each
Assume a Leadership Position <i>(Hold a position and actively participate on the MACo or MML Board, MACo or MML Committee, or NACo or NLC Committee)</i>	<u>5</u> each
Participate in Additional Point Opportunities <i>(Mentoring opportunities, alumni events, webinars, special assignments <u>TBD</u>)</i>	<u>5-10</u> each
Participate in Lead MD or Leadership MD Program	<u>5</u> each
Inspire a MACo or MML Member to Join the Academy Program	<u>5</u> each (up to 4 each year)

Torchbearer Accreditation Fee: \$25 with initial application – no fee to maintain accreditation.

Registration fees will apply to attend conferences and graduate courses.



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Name _____

Title _____

County or Municipality Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Year of Academy Graduation : _____

HOW TO ENROLL: Complete this form and mail it with your \$25 check to the address below. The Academy is administered by the **University of Maryland's School of Public Policy**. Make your check payable to The University of Maryland/ SPP. *Registration fees are nonrefundable.*

MAIL FORM AND PAYMENT: **School of Public Policy, 2101 Van Munching Hall, College Park, MD 20742, or you can pay online via**
https://quikpayasp.com/umd/commerce_manager/payer.do?orderType=PLCY-Torchbearer-Graduate

Attn: Aisha Washington. For more information or questions, please contact the Academy Registrar by telephone: 301-314-2641; Fax: 301-405-3737; or email awashin1@umd.edu.
