

Police Jury Association

Introduction of PJA & Membership Services

Wednesday, January 13, 2016

WHY PARISHES/COUNTIES MATTER?

45 PERCENT
OF AMERICA'S ROAD MILES



MORE THAN 39 PERCENT OF BRIDGES



\$26 BILLION
FOR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS



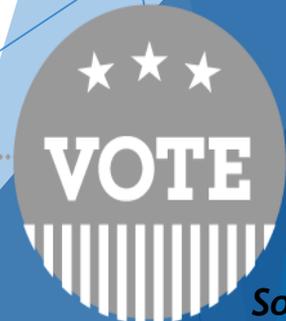
\$70 BILLION
IN JUSTICE & PUBLIC
SAFETY SERVICES



\$70 BILLION
FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH
& HOSPITALS ANNUALLY



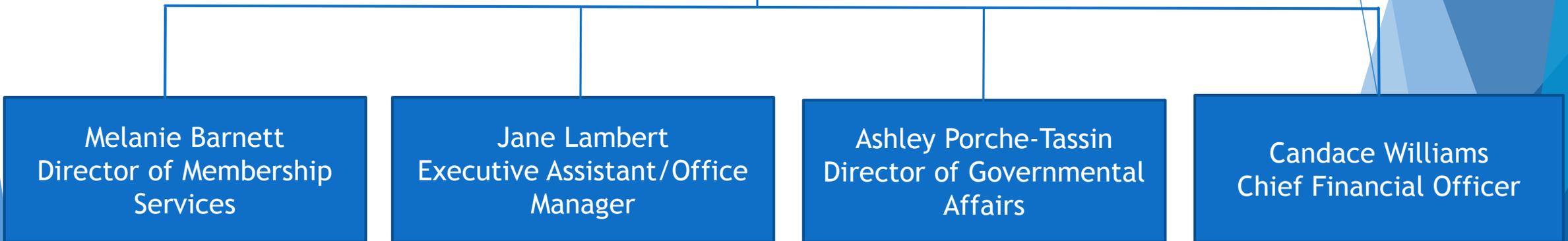
114 THOUSAND
POLLING PLACES
EVERY TWO YEARS



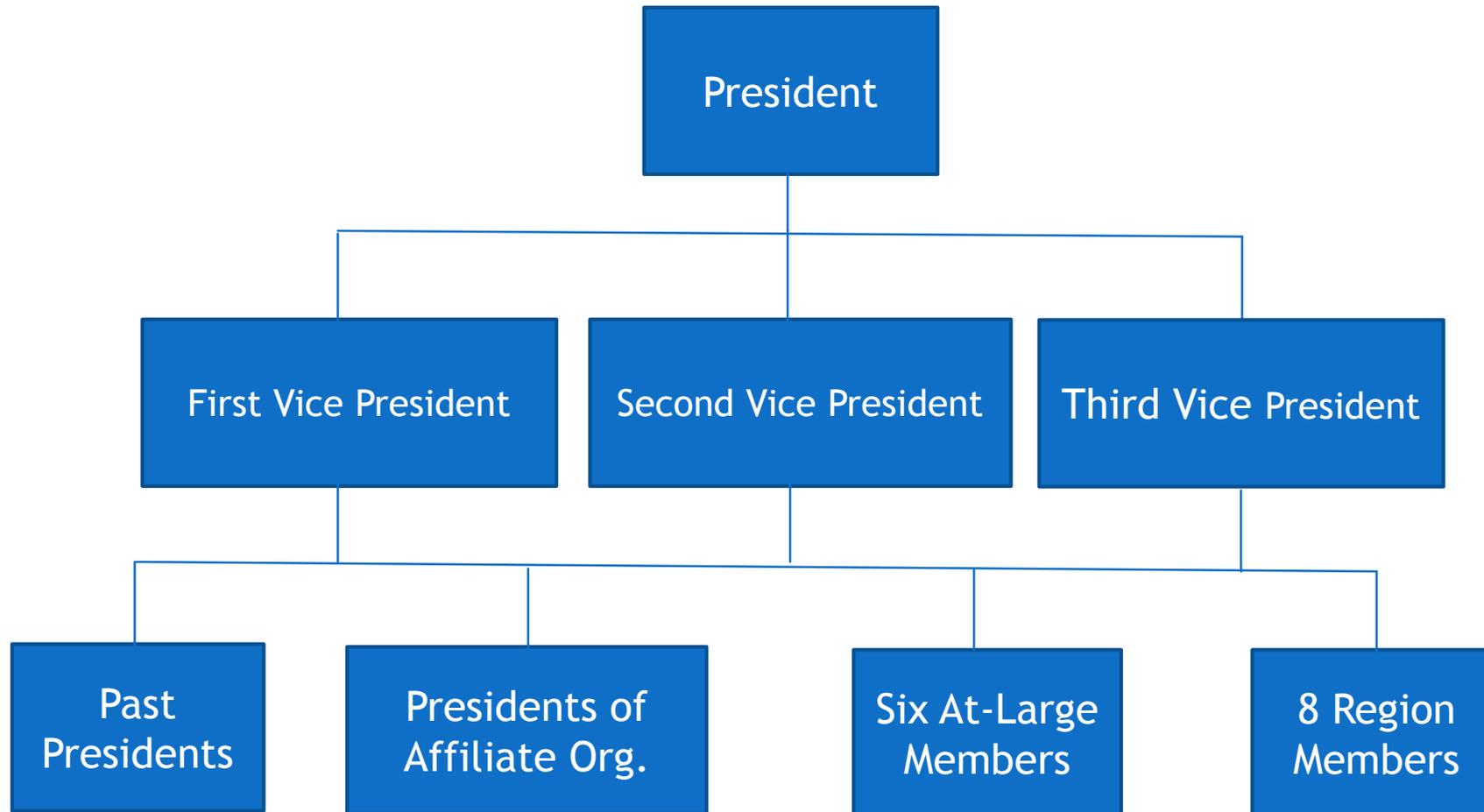
What is the PJA?

Created in 1924 to improve parish government in the State of Louisiana, membership is open to each of the 64 parishes whether organized as a police jury, parish council or parish commission.

PJA Staff Organizational Chart



PJA Leadership: PJA Executive Board



-LA Parish Engineers Association

-LA Parish Administrative Officials Association

Our Membership

Current Members: 64 parishes



POLICE JURY FORM

Acadia
Allen
Assumption
Avoyelles
Beauregard
Bienville
Bossier
Calcasieu
Caldwell
Cameron
Catahoula
Claiborne
Concordia
DeSoto
East Carroll
East Feliciana
Evangeline
Franklin
Grant
Jackson
Jefferson Davis

LaSalle
Lincoln
Madison
Morehouse
Ouachita
Pointe Coupee
Rapides
Red River
Richland
Sabine
St. Helena
Tensas
Union
Vermilion
Vernon
Webster
West Carroll
Winn

HOME RULE CHARTER

COUNCIL- PRESIDENT

Ascension
Iberia
Iberville
Jefferson
Lafourche
Livingston
Natchitoches
Plaquemines
St. Bernard
St. Charles
St. James
St. John the Baptist
St. Landry
St. Martin
St. Mary
St. Tammany
Tangipahoa
Washington
West Baton Rouge
West Feliciana

COMMISSION

Caddo

CONSOLIDATED

East Baton Rouge
Lafayette
Terrebonne

CITY-PARISH

Orleans

Governance Structure Totals

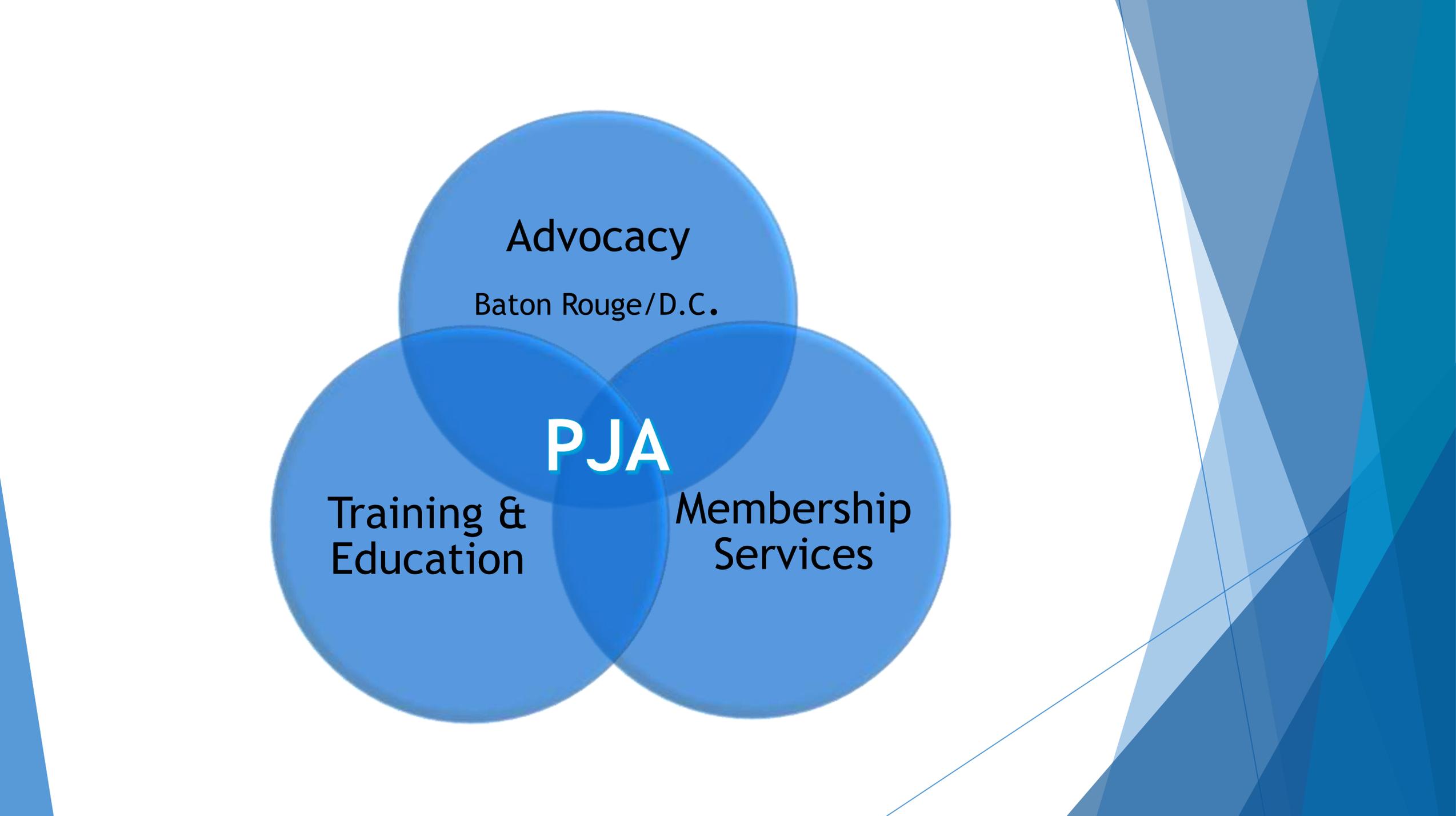
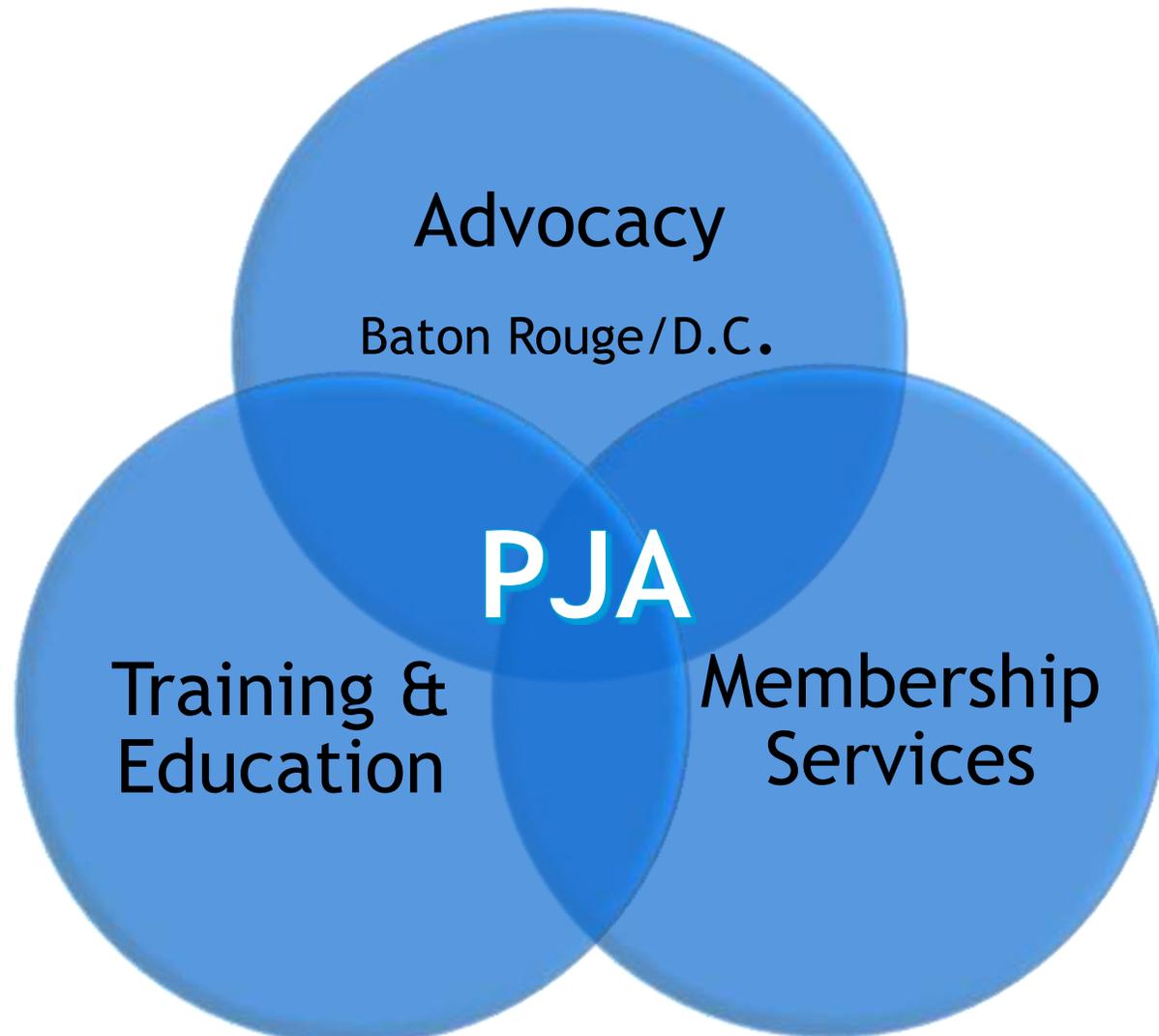
PJF- **39**
Home Rule Charter- **20**
Commission- **1**
Consolidated- **3**
City-Parish- **1**



- ▶ Founded in 1935, NACo brings parish officials together to advocate with a collective voice on national policy.
- ▶ Unites America's 3,069 county/parish governments.
- ▶ **MISSION:**
 - ▶ Advocate with a collective voice on national policy;
 - ▶ Exchange ideas and build new leadership skills;
 - ▶ Pursue transformational, cost-effective solutions;
 - ▶ Enrich the public's understanding of county government, and;
 - ▶ Exercise exemplary leadership in public service.

- ▶ Roland Dartez, National Immediate Past President of NACo State Directors, National Council of County Association Executives (NCCAE)

WHAT DO WE DO?



Builds strong partnerships

- ▶ PJA of Louisiana works with the following governmental entities and professional organizations to bring forth parish government issues:

- ❖ Governor
- ❖ Lieutenant Governor
- ❖ Division of Administration
- ❖ LA House and Senate
- ❖ LA Supreme Court
- ❖ Secretary of State
- ❖ Attorney General
- ❖ LAMP
- ❖ State Treasurer
- ❖ Commissioner of Ag
- ❖ Commissioner of Ins.
- ❖ Board of Ethics
- ❖ LA Tax Commission
- ❖ LA Recovery Authority
- ❖ LA Dept. of Environmental Quality

Builds strong partnershipscontinued

▶ PJA of Louisiana works with the following governmental entities and professional organizations to bring forth parish government issues:

- ❖ State Office of Homeland Security
- ❖ LA Dept. of Natural Resources
- ❖ Parochial Retirement (PERS)
- ❖ OPAO
- ❖ Parish Engineers & Local Technical Assistance Center (LTAP)
- ❖ Parish Attorney's Association
- ❖ LA Association of Self-Insured Employers
- ❖ Association of LA Lobbyist
- ❖ LSU AG
- ❖ *All 6 Congressional & US Senate Offices*
- ❖ NACo
- ❖ LA Association of State Executives

Local Government Coalitions.....

- ▶ LA Association of Tax Administrators (LATA)
- ▶ Louisiana Municipal Association (LMA)
- ▶ LA Conference of Mayors (LCM)
- ▶ LA Assessors' Association
- ▶ LA School Boards Association
- ▶ Metro Group
- ▶ LA District Attorneys Association
- ▶ LA Clerks of Court Association
- ▶ LA Registrar of Voters Association
- ▶ LA Asset Management Pool: LAMP
- ▶ LA Sheriffs' Association

Training & Education

- ▶ **NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS TRAINING**

- ▶ Ethics Training, Attorney General Opinions, Legislative Auditor etc.

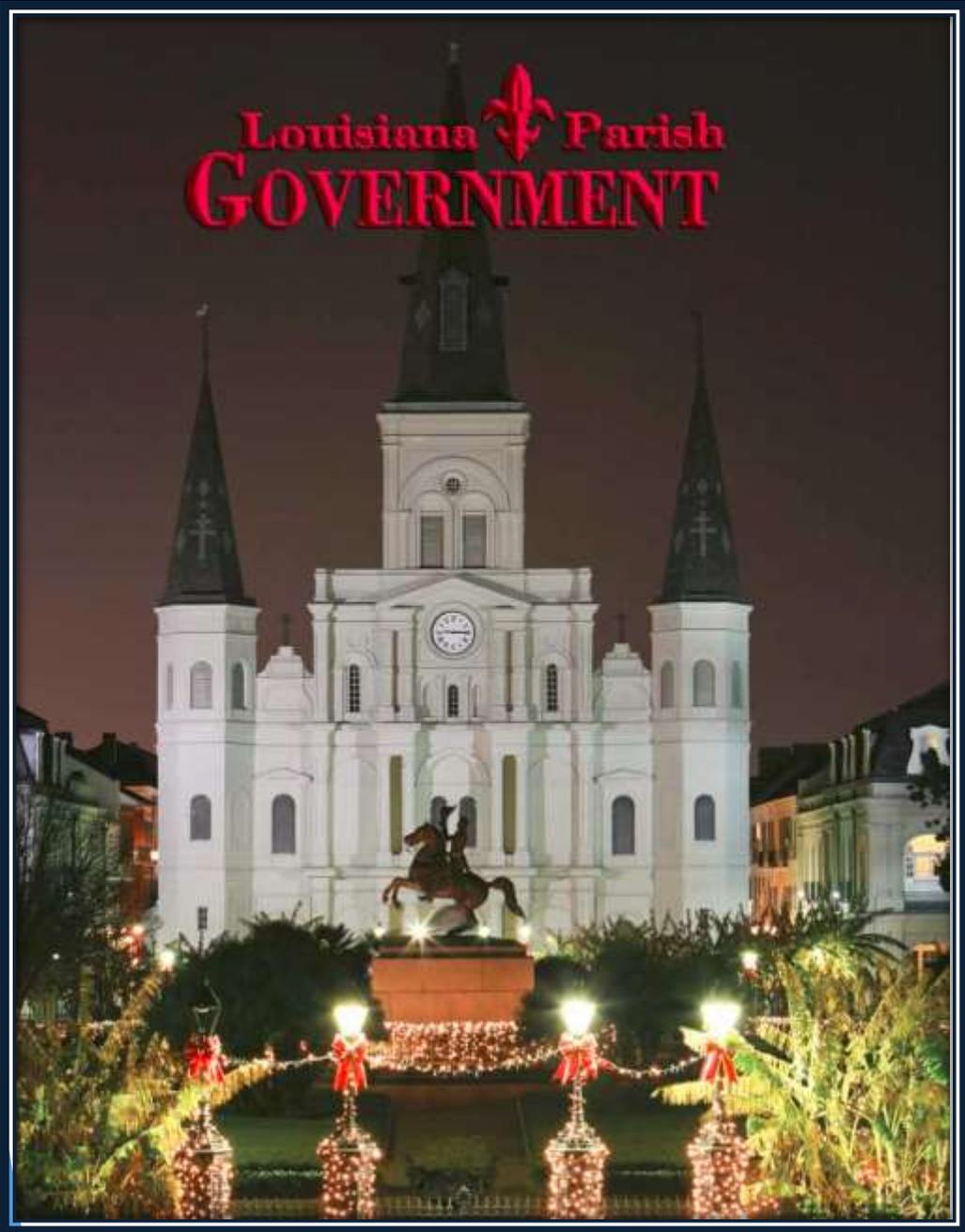
- ▶ **PJA MANUAL, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, NEWSLETTERS**

- ▶ Provided to the membership includes essential information for parish officials to efficiently and effectively operate parish government.

- ▶ **Legislative Reports**

- ▶ Weekly legislative reports providing updates on bills relative to parish government and their potential impact.

- ▶ **Webinar Program(Anticipated launch date Jan. 2016)**



- ▶ Official Publication of the Police Jury Association of Louisiana
- ▶ Semi-Annually (Spring/Winter Edition)
- ▶ Circulation to date: 1,800 includes all police jurors, councilmen, parish government administrators, LA Congressional delegation, statewide elected officials, legislators, sheriffs, district attorneys, state cabinet officials, Governors' office, public libraries

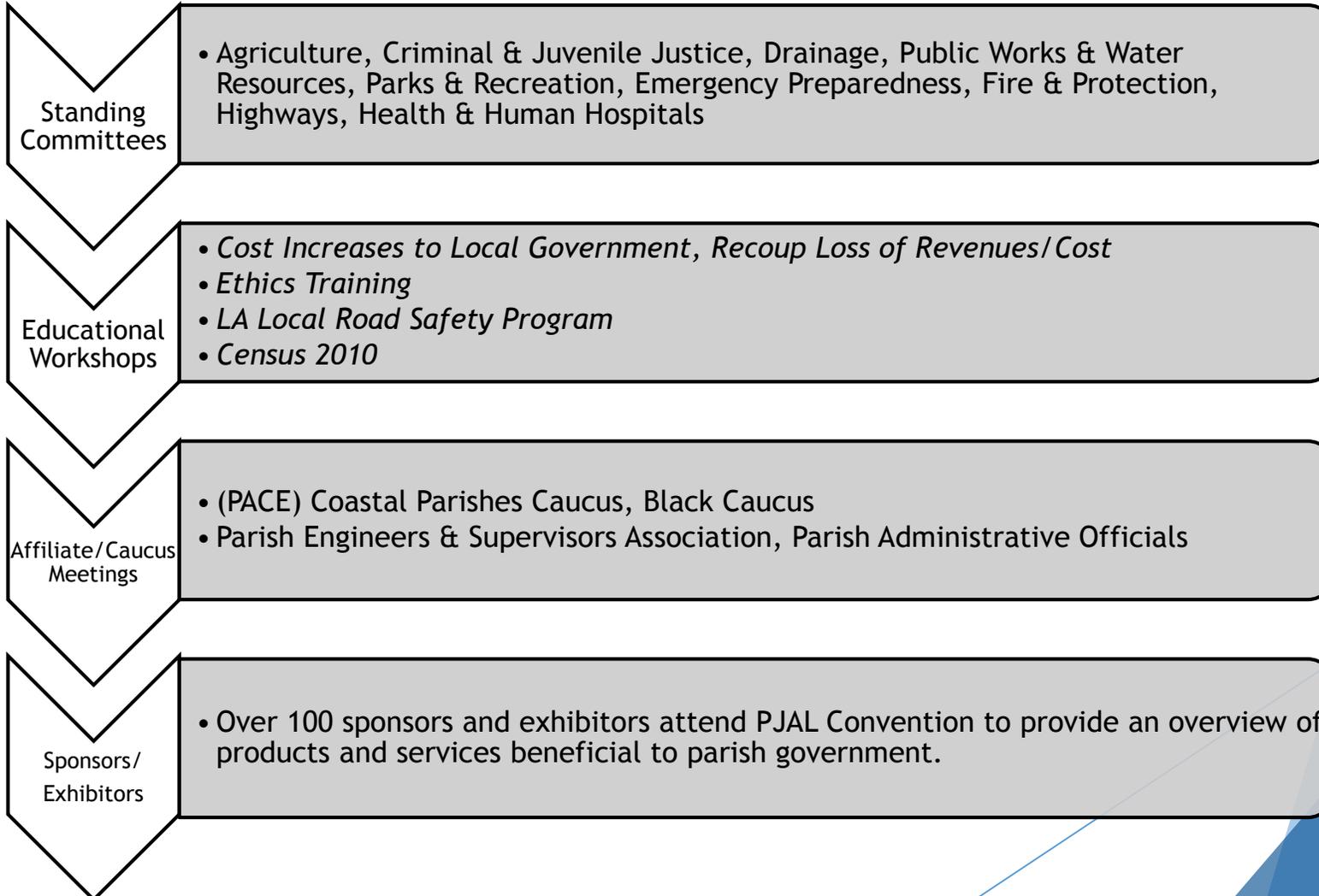


92nd PJAL Annual Convention

March 3- 5, 2016 (Shreveport)

Estimated
Conference
Attendees:

800
Delegates



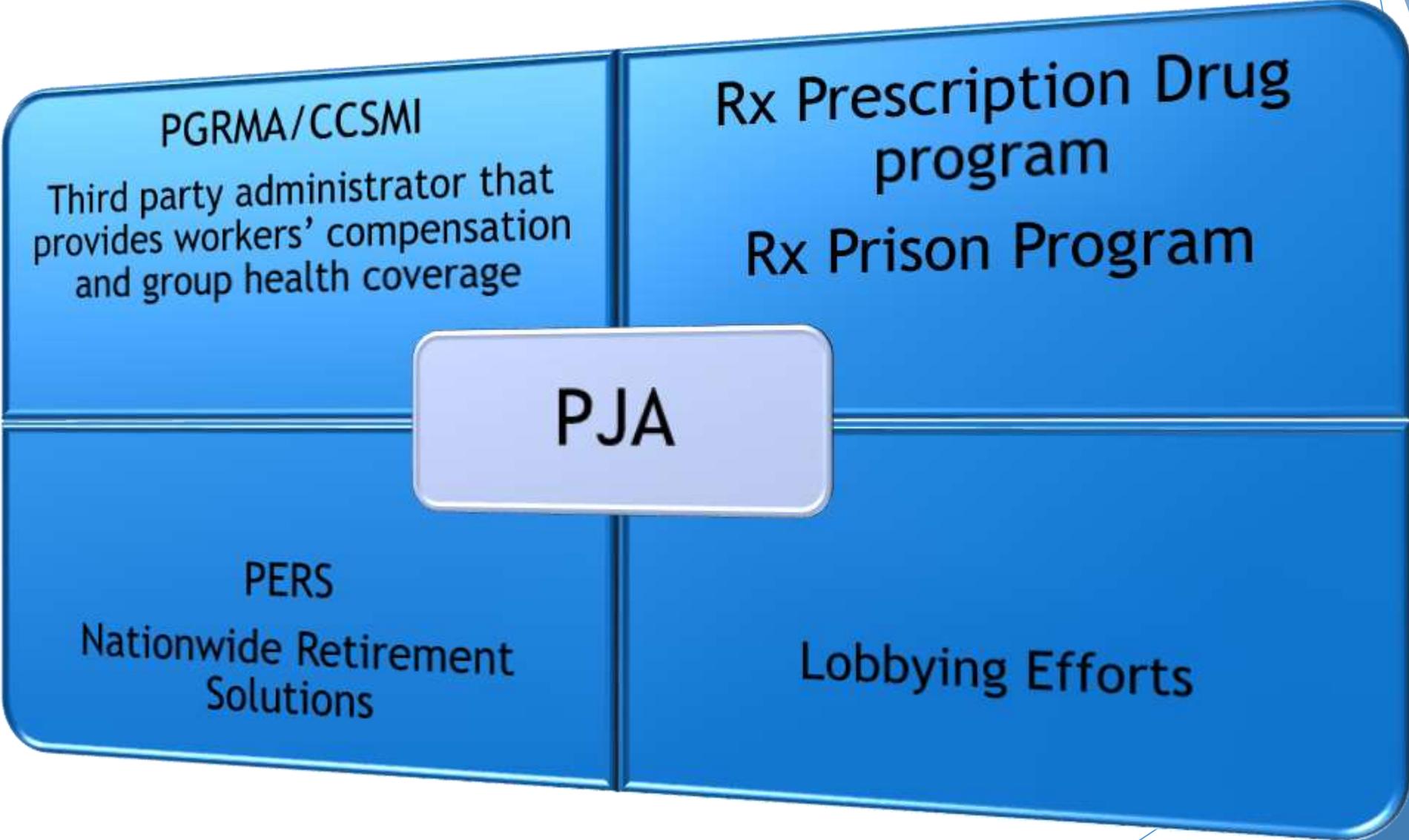
Region Meetings

Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5	Region 6	Region 7	Region 8
Orleans	Jefferson	Assumption	Bienville	Caldwell	Ascension	Acadia	Avoyelles
				East Carroll			
			Bossier	Franklin	East Baton Rouge	Allen	Catahoula
	Iberia	Caddo	Jackson				
	Lafourche	Iberville	Claiborne	Madison	East Feliciana	Beauregard	Concordia
	Plaquemines	Lafayette	DeSoto	Morehouse	Livingston		
	St. Bernard	Pointe Coupee	Lincoln	Ouachita	St. Helena	Calcasieu	Grant
	St. Charles	St. Landry	Natchitoches	Richland	St. Tammany	Cameron	LaSalle
	St. James	St. Martin	Red River	Tensas	Tangipahoa	Evangeline	Rapides
	St. John the Baptist	St. Mary	Sabine	Union	Washington	Jefferson Davis	Vernon
Terrebonne	West Baton Rouge	Webster	West Carroll	West Feliciana	Vermilion	Winn	

Annually, PJAL travels throughout LA to 8 regions to provide updates on Legislative issues and membership services and programs.

Membership Services

PJA Member Service Programs



Parish Government Risk Management Agency/ CCMSI Partnerships

- ▶ Since 1997, CCMSI and LA Parish Government Risk Management Agency (PGRMA) have partnered to provide member parishes with quality Group Health and Workers' Compensation coverage.
- ▶ Objectives are to formulate, develop, and administer a program of inter-local risk management, obtain lower costs for coverage, and develop a comprehensive loss control program.
- ▶ Mission/Goal- To strive to provide the highest level of service to all member parishes at cost effective rates. **(SELF-FUNDED PROGRAMS)**

CCMSI/Script Care Inmate Rx Program Overview

- ▶ PJA through CCMSI (third party administrator) through Script Care provide parishes with a cost effective and efficient solution for inmate drug costs.
- ▶ Parishes have the ability to customize individual needs
- ▶ Potential savings of approximately 47%- 53% below retail price
- ▶ Brand rebates returned directly to the parish

Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (*PERS*)

- ▶ Statewide retirement system established in 1952 by Act 205, PERS is a public defined benefit pension plan which provides retirement allowances and other benefits for parish employees.
- ▶ Provides two separate retirement plans:
 - ▶ Plan A- Designed for employees out of Social Security.
 - ▶ Plan B- Designed for those employers that remained in Social Security on the review on date.
- ▶ Operated by a Board of Trustees, an Administrative Director, Actuary, and Legal Council. Board consists of four active or retired members of the system who have at least ten years of creditable service, 1 elected member of the system (6 yr. term), and PJA representative member of Executive Board (4 yr. term), the chairmen of the House and Senate Retirement Committees or their designees.

Legislative Advocacy



“Power in Numbers”

Legislative Affairs ...

- ☑ Provide Testimony
- ☑ Conduct Research and Statistical Information
- ☑ Educate: Technical Assistance Bulletins/White Papers
- ☑ Partner with local governmental coalitions & associations
 - **Metro Group, PIGS**
- ☑ Work closely with legislative officials and their staff

2015 Regular Session of the LA Legislature

Session Highlights

- ▶ The LA Legislature passed the State Budget and Capital Outlay bills with local government funds showing NO reduction in vital programs such as the Water Enrichment Fund and Community Development Block Grant.
- ▶ The 500 million dollar Inventory Tax bill was defeated amongst other exemptions.
- ▶ The Legislature formed the Sales Tax Streamlining and Modernization Commission to review and offer recommendations on the state's tax system.
- ▶ The Legislature formed a subcommittee to review and make recommendations on the ROVs in the state.

2016 Special Session: What to expect?

Tentative Dates

February 15- March 4, 2016

THE BUDGET



- ▶ Currently, the state is facing an estimated **\$750 million** shortfall
- ▶ FY 2016-2017 budget, the state faces an estimated **\$1.9 billion** shortfall

2016 Regular Session of the LA Legislature

- ▶ Convenes Noon, Monday, March 14, 2016; must adjourn by 6:00 PM on Monday, June 6, 2016 (Const. Art. III, §2(A)(3)(a))
- ▶ General in nature; however, no measure levying or authorizing a new state tax, increasing an existing state tax, or legislating with regard to state tax exemptions, exclusions, deductions, or credits shall be introduced or enacted (Const. Art. III, §2(A)(3)(b)).



Questions



THANK YOU!

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