



Jane L. Morris Women Leading Government Scholarship

Arizona City/County Management Association (ACMA) is awarding one woman a scholarship to attend the ACMA 2026 Winter Conference in Sedona.

The **Jane L. Morris Women Leading Government Scholarship** recognizes women in local government in honor of Jane L. Morris, former Executive Director/CEO of Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport. Jane L. Morris was an accomplished and influential public servant. Raised in Glencoe, IL, Jane attended the University of Iowa and received her master's degree in public administration from Arizona State University. Jane was a retired public servant with a long career spanning more than three decades that started in Skokie, IL, encompassed a variety of positions during her 25+ year with the City of Phoenix and concluded as the Executive Director/CEO of Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport. At the request of Jane's family, donations were received from individuals and organizations around the nation who knew Jane to promote the Women Leading Government Chapter in Arizona. The donations received on Jane's behalf will allow for other women in the profession to further their career in local government.

AWARD AMOUNT

This scholarship includes registration to the ACMA 2026 Winter Conference, a two-night stay at the resort, a \$100 stipend for incidentals (i.e. gas, meals, etc.) and a one-year complimentary ACMA membership.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. Minimum of three years of public sector experience
2. Female ACMA or Non-ACMA Member
3. Potential for future public service (not about to retire or shift to private sector)
4. Financial need
5. Size of organization
6. Scope of job responsibilities
7. Educational background
8. Two letters of recommendation from a supervisor or manager
9. Strength of application (cover letter, supporting materials)

APPLICATION

Applicants must submit the following documents for consideration ACMA:

- Completed application form
- Letter of interest (Please include the evaluation criteria areas here.)
- Two letters of recommendation

CONFERENCE DATE

ACMA 2026 Winter Conference
January 28-30
Hilton Sedona Resort at Bell Rock
Sedona, Arizona

Please [click here](#) to submit your application and upload your letter of interest and resume.

Scholarship Deadline: January 2, 2026

For questions, please contact Arizona City/County Management Association (ACMA) at acma@azleague.org.