

MTAS Research and Information Center New Acquisitions List April 2020

You may download these items from the MTAS Knowledgebase:

Eligibility of chamber of commerce employees for city-provided benefits. Elisha Hodge, Cyndy Edmonds. A legal opinion was requested from MTAS addressing whether individuals who work for the local Chamber of Commerce are eligible for benefits provided to employees of the city. (More)

Mandated asset forfeiture proceeds reporting form. Rex Barton. A form to be used for reporting all asset forfeiture proceeds to the Tennessee Comptroller at the end of the year. (More)

Mutual aid assistance in Tennessee: a collection of resources from MTAS. A collection of MTAS resources on mutual aid assistance in Tennessee. The collection includes MTAS Hot Topics, a legal opinion from former MTAS Legal Consultant Dennis Huffer, a full text document of Public Chapter 743, and two mutual aid assistance agreement templates. (More)

Tennessee's REAL ID: why, where, when, and how to get it. Steve Cross. An MTAS guide to the REAL ID in Tennessee. On March 26, 2020, President Donald Trump delayed implementation of REAL ID from October 1, 2020 to October 1, 2021. (More)

Use of hydrogen peroxide for coronavirus disinfection. Dennis Wolf. MTAS received an inquiry about the use of hydrogen peroxide as a disinfecting agent for the coronavirus as an option to bleach because of bleach's corrosive potential and irritating odor. MTAS researched this question and provides the following information. MTAS does not recommend or endorse any product, and the products mentioned here are for illustration only. MTAS recommends that municipalities do their own research and select products and procedures that meet local needs. (More)

Use of municipal property as community garden in the city of Harrogate, Tennessee. Angie Carrier. Forms related to the operation of a community garden on municipal property in the City of Harrogate, Tennessee. Includes resolution to adopt rules and regulations for the community garden, the garden rules and regulations, and a community garden waiver, release and hold harmless agreement. (More)

You may request these items from the MTAS library:

Chattanooga's Big Dig: protecting people and water. Colline Miller. In Tennessee Public Works Magazine. – Vol. 37, no. 6 (January/February 2020), p. 18-19, 21. Chattanooga's "Big Dig" project completed in 2018 significantly increases the city's storm capacity and was planned to provide much needed protection for the rivers and streams in the area from landfill waste. [Article] (More)

DATA-C: five steps to better data curation. Matthew Benzing. In Computers in Libraries. – Vol. 40 – no. 2 (March 2020), p. 26-29. Research findings have long been communicated through journal articles. By publishing their articles, scholars have been able to share their methodology and their findings, with perhaps some samples of data in tables or graphs. [Article] (More)

Librarians assisting scholarly publishing: websites to watch. Barbie Keiser. In Online Searcher. – Vol. 43 – no. 3 (March/April 2019), p. 16-21. Scholarly publishing, once an arcane area of interest, has become more prominent in recent years, prompting responses not only from traditional publishers and not-for-profit organizations but also from researchers, turned "techies," who are building better mousetraps. [Article] (More)

Satellite data complement traditional leak detection and repair programs. Jessica Green and Paul Gagliardo. In Opflow. – Vol. 46, no. 1 (January 2020), p. 10-14. A small Texas utility significantly reduced its nonrevenue water loss by complementing its existing water leak detection and repair program with satellite radar technology. [Article] (More)

Smoke and water don't mix. Bruce Macler, et al. In Opflow. – Vol. 46, no. 3 (March 2020), p. 10-15. Wildfires in California have become more frequent and intense, decimating local water systems. [Article] (More)

The new standard: burying old technology when it comes to landfill closures. Krista Willey. In MSW Management. – Vol. 30 – no. 2 (March/April 2020), p. S18-S22. While there have been many improvements to the waste industry since regulations were first adopted, the industry has been stuck with an archaic and poorly performing way to close landfills. [Article] (More)

Time to rethink how our users handle content and search. Roger Magnus. In Online Searcher. – Vol. 43 – no. 3 (March/April 2019), p. 35-39. Online content is not always simple or intuitive to find. This is particularly true for some information-rich websites and subscription databases. [Article] (More)

Use best practices for a successful AMI system rollout. Sam Cain. In Opflow. – Vol. 46, no. 2 (February 2020), p. 10-13. Article relays best practices learned by the Florida Governmental Authority during the installation of an advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) system which replaced meters in five of its nine member systems. [Article] (More)

Virginia Tech expands land design and development program. Steve Cooper. In Stormwater. – Vol. 21 - no. 3 (March 2020), p. 14-17. No matter the industry, making sure students are prepared to hit the ground running in their chosen field is important, both in terms of a student's ability to find a job and in terms of an employer's ability to make the best of a new hire. [Article] (More)

What don't you know?: uncover and manage unknown cyber threats. Ron Bernier. In Public Management. – Vol. 101 – iss. 10 (November 2019), p. 21-31. How a Tennessee intercountry agency finds and stops risky activity on its network and how any-sized local government can apply managed threat protection. [Article] (More)

Why a solid waste rate study makes sense for your agency. Marc J. Rogoff, Laurel C. Urena. In APWA Reporter. – Vol. 87 – iss. 3 (March 2020), p. 60-63. How a Tennessee intercountry agency finds and stops risky activity on its network and how any-sized local government can apply managed threat protection. [Article] (More)