



Position Description: **Local Government Advisory Committee Member**

About: The Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) advises the Chesapeake Executive Council and their senior staff, known as the Principals' Staff Committee, on achieving the goals of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement. For more information on how the Chesapeake Bay Program is organized, please see the organizational chart: <http://www.chesapeakebay.net/about/organized>. The Local Government Advisory Committee Chair presents the Committee's recommendations and advice to the Executive Council at their annual meeting. You may access more information about the Advisory Committee, including past agendas and Quarterly Meeting minutes on the LGAC webpage at www.chesapeakebay.net/who/group/lgac.

Position Description: Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC) Members are appointed by the governors of the watershed states and the mayor of the District of Columbia to share the views and insights of local officials with federal and state decision makers within the Chesapeake Bay Program. Through two-day quarterly meetings, the members discuss emerging issues relevant to local governments, opportunities to effectively implement local projects, and how to engage the support of local governments to achieve the goals of the Watershed Agreement. LGAC members also work to enhance the flow of information among local governments in their region and facilitate two-way communication between local governments and federal and state partners.

Specific Duties of the Position:

- Share the views and insights of local officials with federal and state decision-makers
- Champion local government priorities and needs within the Chesapeake Bay Program and with other federal and state partners
- Anticipate attending and participating in four LGAC Quarterly Meetings each year, unless excused
- Participate in four virtual committee meetings a year to prepare for Quarterly Meetings
- Maintain mutual communication with local elected officials and other stakeholders to ensure a broad range of local government interests is presented for discussion with LGAC
- As available, host local government engagement events like peer to peer learning exchange tours and roundtable discussions

Minimum Qualifications & Experience:

- Be a current or former local elected/appointed official or a member of an organization representing the interests of local government
- Be willing to travel to quarterly meetings
- Be knowledgeable about local government experiences and challenges related to protection and restoration of local waterways and the greater Chesapeake Bay watershed
- Represent a geographic region directly affected by the actions of the Executive Council and the Chesapeake Bay Program

Hours and Travel: This position requires travel throughout the Chesapeake Bay watershed, including to Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Delaware and the District of Columbia on a quarterly basis. The position is part-time (4 - 8 hours per month).

Expenses: This is a volunteer position. LGAC Members are reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses, like mileage. Lodging and meals during quarterly LGAC meetings are provided at no cost to members.