



2026 Rhode Island Local Officials Training Summit (RILOTS)

WHO & WHAT: The RI Division of Statewide Planning Land Use & Education Staff and the State Planning Council Advisory Committee for Education and will provide technical speakers on topics of concern to Historic, Planning and Zoning Boards/Commissions which will fulfill required training needs. (Registration is limited to volunteer local officials only.)

PURPOSE: To provide in person learning experiences and peer networking opportunities for volunteer officials on historic, planning and zoning boards and commissions to help meet the education mandates of RI Gen. Law [§45-70-3](#).

COST: FREE!

WHEN: Saturday November 14, 2026

TIME: 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

PLACE: Crowne Plaza, Warwick, RI

Agenda

8:30 – 9:00 AM	Registration / Hot Breakfast – 30 minutes
9:05 – 9:15	Welcome from RIDSP – 10 minutes • Explain Trivia Contest • Introductions & Outline of Day
9:15 – 10:15	Sessions 1 & 2 – 30 minutes each = 60 minutes • Future Thinking to Protect the Past – Considering Climate in Historic Preservation • Resilience Education for Planning & Municipal Liability
10:15 – 10:35	Break – Coffee & Snack – 20 minutes • Submit Trivia answers • Networking with Peers
10:35 – 11:35	Sessions 3 & 4 – 30 minutes each = 60 Minutes • Resources to Address Municipal Housing Challenges • Zoning <i>Du Jour</i>
11:35 – 12:25	2026 Legislative Update & Training Resources – 50 minutes • 2026 General Assembly Legislative Update • RIDSP Online Training Available • Trivia Contest – Winners • Exit surveys
12:30	Closing & Goodbye

Please be advised that the Summit will be recorded for future training purposes.
The Summit was supported by funding from the US Federal Highway and Transit Administrations, and RI State appropriations.