

“CALL TO PARTICIPATE” IN ENCYCLOPEDIA OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

Ed Benton (University of South Florida), along with John Kincaid (Lafayette College), are preparing the *Encyclopedia of Local and Regional Government and Politics* to be published by Edward Elgar by 2025. We have a contract to produce this book. We wish to include in the encyclopedia new and original articles on all pertinent topics/subject areas related to the existence and operation of local and regional governments around the world and their ensuing relevant politics, policies, programs, etc.

As someone who regularly teaches and writes about this subject matter, we hope you will consider being part of this monumental publication.

There are three ways you can contribute to this encyclopedia. First, you can send us pertinent topics or subject areas that should be covered in the encyclopedia. (An initial list of topics is provided below.) Second, you can suggest topics or subject areas on which you would like to write one or more entries. Third, you can provide us names of, and contact information for, scholars who could contribute to the volume; please also provide their subject-matter expertise or specific topics they are qualified to write on. This volume has a global perspective and will, tentatively, cover many countries, including the United States, Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Columbia, United Kingdom, France, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Germany, Netherlands, Denmark, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Romania, Poland, Czech Republic, Greece, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Hungary, Serbia, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Russia, Nigeria, South Africa, Ethiopia, Egypt, Kenya, Tanzania, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, China, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Indonesia, and Australia.

We need to hear from you as soon as possible so we can finalize the topics and invite contributors in order to publish the encyclopedia in a timely manner so as to make the volume as current and relevant as possible to a wide and diverse international audience. You can contact Ed Benton at jbenton@usf.edu and/or John Kincaid at kincaidj@lafayette.edu. We encourage you to contact us as soon as you see this notice. Thank you.

Tentative Listing of Topics and Subject Areas (Alphabetized)

A

- Affirmative programs to rectify discrimination
- abolition or continuance of
- generally
- legal challenges to
- local governments
- negative public reaction to or support of
- regional governments
- in employment matters
- in university and college admissions
- set-aside programs for contract/expenditures
- Amalgamation (see consolidation of regional or local governments)

B

Borough

budgets and budgeting

-- appropriation

--"balanced" or balancing

--capital

--capital improvements

--earmarking

--fiscal stress

--fiscal year

--general fund

--incrementalism

---management by objectives (MBO)

--non-programmatic

--operating

--performance (PPBS)

--politics of

--priority based budgeting (PBB)

--shortfalls

--trust fund

--controllable expenditures

--reconciliation

-- zero-based (ZZB)

bureaucracy or bureaucratic matters

--administrative efficiency

--administrative procedures, rules, and regulations

--bureaucratic responsiveness

--bureaucratization

--careerism

--culture

--discretion of

--goals of

--growth of power

--in local governments

--in regional governments

--merit system

--"Peter Principle"

--reforms in

--spoils system

C

Canton

C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group

Charter of Local Self-Government of Council of Europe (1988)

city (municipal) governments

--city politics

- elections
- incorporation
- inner city
- legal status
- municipal corporations
- mutual aid agreements (pacts)
- officials
- City Mayors Foundation
- civic action
- civil disobedience
- civic associations
- protest
- regarding civil rights and liberties
- violence
- volunteering
- voting
- community or communities
- community-regarding
- conflict in
- development of
- exurbs
- first suburbs
- inner city
- livable (sustainable)
- local government fragmentation
- metropolitan
- policy responsibilities
- rural
- sense of
- suburban
- urban
- “white flight”
- community politics and power
- role played by interest groups
- models of community power (elitism and pluralism)
- Consolidation of Regional/Local Governments
- Governmental
- Functional
- constitutions and constitutional matters and issues
- adopting
- amending
- bill of rights
- checks and balances
- citizens access to government
- citizenship
- conflict management

- constitutional conventions
- concurrent or shared powers
- enumerated powers
- limited government—
- national supremacy
- reserved powers
- revising
- secession
- sovereignty
- tribal authority
- County
- court entities
- attorneys for the petitioner and respondent in civil cases
- bar associations
- defense attorneys
- grand juries
- judges
- judicial conduct commissions
- judicial nomination committees
- prosecutors (district attorneys)
- trial juries
- courts and judicial matters
- amnesty
- amicus curiae briefs
- capital punishment (death penalty)
- civil
- criminal
- extradition
- general
- judicial activism
- judicial reform
- judicial self-restraint
- juvenile
- limited jurisdiction
- rendition
- specialized
- small claims
- tort reform
- cybersecurity

D

- democracy or democratic governmental regimes
- candidate nominations via party primary
- direct
- forms (i.e., confederation, federal, unitary)
- citizens' movements

- citizen advocacy
- civic duty
- direct democracy
- governance
- indirect democracy
- initiative
- recall
- referendum
- representational
- discrimination
- age
- desegregation
- gender
- ethnic and racial
- racial profiling
- social class
- districts
- equality in
- majority-minority
- multimember
- “safe”
- size of

E

- education and public schools
- dependent school districts
- funding for
- inequality in
- school vouchers
- segregation in
- election campaigns
- candidate-centered
- candidate qualifications
- career politicians
- citizen participation
- filing for office
- finance reform
- financing of
- for local government office
- for regional government office
- fundraising
- grassroots
- importance of issues
- issue-centered
- negative
- role of interest groups

- role of political action committees (PACs)
- role of political parties
- role of media
- themes
- elections and voting
 - at-large systems
 - at-large position electoral system
 - at large residency electoral system
 - “coattails effect”
 - co-ethnic voting
 - combination or mixed electoral system
 - competitive elections
 - controversial
 - district systems
 - disputed
 - “527” type organization
 - fundraising
 - gender gap
 - general
 - incumbents
 - local
 - motor voter law
 - name recognition
 - nonpartisan
 - off-year
 - partisan
 - party primaries
 - regional
 - retention
 - special
 - turnout
 - uncontested
 - voter precincts and wards
- environmental and conservation issues and policy
 - brownfields
 - climate control
 - environmental impact statements
 - environmental protection and growth management groups
 - Kyoto Protocol
- European Committee of the Regions (1994)
 - executive branch (local and regional governments)
 - informal powers
 - executive order
 - executive privilege
 - formal powers
 - informal powers

- elected officials
- non-elected officials
- veto power
- expenditures
- local governments
- regional governments

F

- federalism
- centralized
- coercive
- cooperative
- devolution
- dual
- horizontal
- political obstacles to
- representational
- fiscal stress
- cutback management
- “across the board’ cuts
- retrenchment

G

- Global City
- Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy
- Glocalization
- governmental management systems
- total quality management (TQM)
- government borrowing (debt management)
- capital budgeting
- capital improvements
- debt limitations (debt ceilings)
- general fund
- types of bonds (general obligation, hospital, industrial, mortgage, revenue, etc.)
- referenda requirements
- government charters
- county
- general
- local
- municipal
- optional
- special act
- government employment
- affirmative action requirements
- collective bargaining agreements
- comparable worth

- compensation
- equal pay for equal work policy
- “last-in-first-out” rule
- merit system
- pension/retirement benefits
- spoils or patronage system
- unemployment compensation
- labor unions
- government mandates
 - generally
 - issued by a national government
 - issued by a regional government
 - unfunded
- government performance
 - benchmarking
 - best practices
 - capacity
 - challenges
- governments, types of
 - authoritarian
 - communist
 - democratic
 - fascist
 - socialist
- governmental reciprocity
- governmental grants-in aid
 - conditions of
 - eligibility
 - fungibility
 - grantsmanship
 - national to regional governments
 - national to local governments
 - pass-through provisions
 - regional to local governments
 - types (e.g., block, categorical, revenue sharing, other)
- grassroots
 - campaigning
 - government
 - lobbying
 - politics of
- Great Depression
- Great Recession
- gross domestic product of national, regional, and local governments
- growth management
 - comprehensive or master plan
 - green technology

- impact fees
- land use
- NIMBY syndrome
- planning
- smart growth
- subdivision regulations
- urban sprawl
- zoning

H

- hazardous material collection and disposal
- health care
 - AIDS
 - discrimination in
 - funding for
 - health management organizations (HMOs)
 - local government provision of
 - regional government provision of
- housing issues and policy
 - affordability
 - building codes
 - discrimination in
 - fair housing
 - financing of
 - legislation
 - local governmental provision of
 - public housing
 - regional governmental provision of
 - regulation
- human resource management
 - local governments
 - regional government

I

- immigration
 - government regulation
 - illegal or undocumented immigrants
 - impact on crime
 - impact on economy
 - impact on local and regional government budgets
 - impact of service provision
- interest groups
 - generally
 - impact on candidates
 - impact on elections
 - impact on executive, judicial, and legislative branches

- lobbying
- lobbyists
- other tactics used
- intergovernmental relations
 - generally
 - intergovernmental or interjurisdictional cooperation
 - intergovernmental or interjurisdictional conflict
 - intergovernmental or interjurisdictional agreements
- interlocal relations
 - inter-regional compacts and agreements
- national-local relations
 - national-regional relations
 - national-regional-local relations
- regional-local relations

J

K

L

- Land (Germany)
 - law enforcement and police protection
 - legislative authorities (districts)
 - assistance to other local governments
 - creation of
 - funding mechanisms
 - insulation from the public
 - roles and responsibilities
- Legislators
 - backgrounds
 - careerism
 - case work
 - compensation
 - ethics
 - full-time
 - lobbying of
 - part-time
 - typologies of legislative roles (Burke, Wahlke et al.)
- legislatures (or legislative bodies)
 - appointive powers
 - apportionment
 - citizen legislator
 - committees and sub-committees
 - constituency relations
 - constituency service

- divided government
- divided party government
- election districts
- ethical behavior
- filibustering
- formal powers, duties, and responsibilities
- gerrymandering
- gridlock
- informal powers
- “institutional memory”
- institutionalization
- leadership
- logrolling
- logjams
- legislative-executive relations
- legislative immunity
- malapportionment
- procedures
- oversight
- reciprocity
- redistricting
- roles (delegate and trustee)
- sessions
- sunsetting legislation
- term limits
- turnover rates
- veto override
- legislative elections
- influence of money
- mixture of multi-and single-member districts (mixed form)
- multi-member districts
- single-member districts
- role of incumbency
- local government employment
- affirmative action in employment matters
- quotas (racial, gender, other)
- set-aside programs for contract/expenditures
- local government consolidation
- amalgamation
- city-county consolidation
- functional
- metropolitan
- megalopolis
- “metro’ government
- metropolitan government
- metropolitan problem

- metropolitanization
- school districts
- local governments
- annexation
- capital expenditures
- Dillon's rule
- eminent domain
- extra-territorial powers
- general fund expenditures
- minimum service requirements
- monetary incentives to private entities
- officials
- revenues
- provision of public safety services
- local government regulatory boards and commissions
- local government revenues
- charges or fees for services
- corporate income tax
- excise tax
- fines and fees
- gambling tax proceeds
- impact fees
- individual (personal) income tax
- intergovernmental
- miscellaneous
- own-source
- service provision
- property tax
- utilities
- valued added tax (VAT)

M

media

- access to government and government officials
- campaigns
- community politics
- coverage in elections
- influence on government and government officials
- media event
- negative ads
- protests
- role in the executive, judicial, and legislative process
- Merger (see Consolidation)
- minorities
- racial and ethnic
- numerical

N

National League of Cities

National Association of Counties

neighborhood associations

--role and function of

--influence on local government and local government officials

--how representative are they?

new urbanism

new urbanists

O**P**

Panchayat

Preemption

--national government preemption of local and regional governments

--regional government preemption of local governments

planning and zoning

policy making

--agenda setting

--goal setting

--incrementalism

--implementation

--inputs

--outcomes

--outputs

political campaigns

--divided party system

--financing

--issues

--media coverage

--negative ads and campaigns

--“soft money”

--spending limits

--themes

--unified party government

political corruption

--bribery

--ethical standards and laws

--kickbacks

political ideology

--conservative

--liberal

- other
- political parties
 - caucuses
 - conventions
 - dealignment
 - divided party government
 - influence in elections
 - local
 - nominating candidates
 - party machines
 - political socialization
 - pros and cons
 - realignment
 - regional
 - roles, functions, and responsibilities
 - precincts
- poverty
 - feminization of
 - inner city
- property taxes
 - assessment
 - immunity from
 - homestead and other exemptions
 - market value
 - method of calculation
 - millage rate
 - regressive
- public opinion
 - bi-modal distribution
 - influence on citizen voting
 - measurement of
 - sources of
 - unimodal distribution
 - influence on local and regional governments and their officials
- public safety services
- public schools K-12 and elementary and secondary
 - aid to private schools and home-schooled children
 - charter school
 - inequality in
 - financing
 - educational quality
 - magnet schools
 - parental involvement
 - performance
 - school choice
 - school busing to achieve racial equality

- vouchers
- public universities and colleges
- admission policies
- how governed
- revenues
- public welfare services
- how financed
- public views of
- reform in
- roles of national, regional, and local governments
- public/private partnerships in service provision
- generally
- local governments
- regional governments

Q

R

- racial/ethnic minorities
- discrimination (de facto and de jure)
- segregation
- regional governments,
- capital expenditures
- expenditures
- finances
- general fund expenditures
- minimum service requirements
- monetary incentives to private entities
- officials, generally
- officials other than U.S., specifically
- regulatory boards and commissions
- revenue sources of
- service provision
- types of and structural arrangements
- utilities (water provision, sewer collection and disposal services, natural gas, electric power provision)
- restraints on powers of local governments
- customs and traditions
- constitutional
- statutory
- ultra vires
- eminent domain

S

- service provision, generally
- service provision, local governments

service provision, regional governments
 sexual harassment
 Sister Cities
 Sister Regions (states, provinces, etc.)
 social issues and policy
 --abortion
 --familism
 --gun control
 --legalization of drugs
 --gay, lesbian, LGBTQIA and sexual issues
 --same sex marriage

T

tax revolts
 --advocacy groups
 --circuit breaker programs
 --history of
 --impact on targeted governments
 --property taxes or other taxes
 Town
 transportation issues and policy
 Twin Cities (see Sister Cities)
 Twin Regions (see Sister Regions)
 types of governmental authority
 --authoritative
 --centralized
 --constitutions
 --decentralized
 --laws
 --statutory
 types of local governments
 --hamlets
 --parishes
 --U.S. counties (or equivalent in other countries)
 -- U.S. cities or municipalities (or equivalent in other countries)
 --U.S. townships (or equivalent in other countries)
 --U.S. special districts (or equivalent in other countries)
 --U.S. school districts (or equivalent in other countries)
 --U.S. boroughs (or equivalent in other countries)
 --shire
 --villages
 types of regional governments
 --cantons
 --departments
 --districts
 --emirates

- governorates
- oblasts
- ~~--panchayats~~
- prefectures
- provinces
- regions
- republics
- territories
- ~~--panchayats~~

U

- United Cities and Local Governments
- United States Conference of Mayors
- urban development (redevelopment) and renewal
- developer agreements
- economic development
- enterprise zones
- gentrification
- population growth
- suburbanization
- urban sprawl
- urbanization

V

- Village
- voting
- behavior
- by mail
- theories of
- discrimination
- in local governments elections
- in regional government elections
- internet
- laws
- online
- qualifications
- reforms
- suppression in
- Tiebout Theory of voting (“voting with one’s feet”)
- turnout

W

- war on drugs
- War on Poverty
- welfare issues and policy
- cash versus in-kind assistance

- hand out versus a helping hand
- how funded
- needs based?
- reform
- women
- in politics
- holding office
- in legislatures
- in local government
- in regional government
- voting
- World Mayors Council on Climate Change

X

Y

Z