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## LOCAL FISCAL STRESS:

### STATE AUSTERITY POLICY AND CREATIVE LOCAL RESPONSE

9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Dec. 9, 2014,

Gideon Putnam, Saratoga Springs, NY

Hosted by Cornell University's Community and Regional Development Institute and the Fiscal Policy Institute

This dynamic event represents a collaboration of unions, management, municipalities, schools and academia. **Participants include NYSUT, CSEA and AFSCME**. It builds from the 2011 State of Upstate New York conference and the March

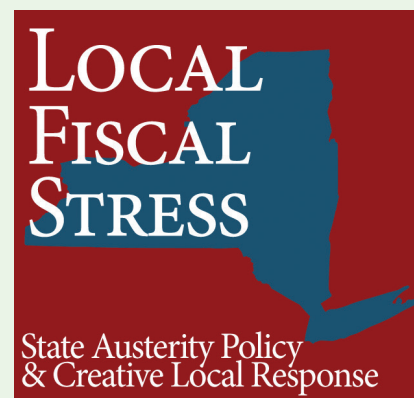
2014 State of Cities conference. Municipal and school district officials, union leaders, fiscal administrators, state legislators and staffers and NYS agency representatives are all invited to attend.

The event is free, but registration is requested.

There is an important connection between the services and the decisions that municipalities make and the governor's 2 percent state budget spending limit, the local tax cap and property tax freeze credit. Communities are struggling as they look for ways to be financially prudent but continue to provide needed services.

Topics include social well-being, state tax policies, economic development, approaches to service delivery and infrastructure needs and state and local financing.

The goal of this conference is to foster dialogue among a broad set of partners. Unions, progressive policy groups and municipalities must work together to respond to local fiscal and social stresses and recent shifts in state policy.



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