



# ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Aug. 17-19, 2026, Hot Springs, Va.

## 2026 Electricities Annual Conference Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are the conference dates and location?
  - The Electricities 2026 Annual Conference is Aug. 17-19, 2026, at The Omni Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, Virginia.
2. Who should attend the conference?
  - The Annual Conference is designed for community and utility leaders, including elected officials, city and town managers, utility directors, key municipal and utility staff, communicators, and economic developers.
3. What is the registration fee?
  - The registration fee for a member is \$895.
  - The guest registration fee is \$280.
4. What does the conference registration fee include?
  - For members, the conference registration fee includes all conference sessions, conference-provided meals (listed below), three receptions, and the Wednesday Celebration Event.
    - o Tuesday 8/18: Breakfast and lunch
    - o Wednesday 8/19: Breakfast and dinner (if attending the Celebration Event)
    - o Snacks will be provided throughout the conference, and each reception will include light hors d'oeuvres
  - For guests, the conference registration fee includes three receptions and the Wednesday Celebration Event.
5. Can I attend the conference virtually?
  - No. Electricities conferences are in-person events and do not offer a virtual option. While virtual options have become popular, our members find significant value in the networking and discussions that in-person attendance provides.
6. What is the room rate?
  - The base rate for the room block is \$329/night, plus a \$49 resort fee/night. This rate does not include any additional federal, state, or local taxes. The room block closes Friday, July 17, 2026. [Click here](#) to book your room.
7. What parking is available at the hotel?
  - The Omni Homestead Resort is valet parking only and is \$25 per night per room.

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8. What are the directions to the hotel?
  - From I-81 North, take Exit #150 B (Troutville/U.S. 220 north exit). Follow 220 North to Clifton Forge (follow the signs to I-64 West to Covington). Take I-64 West to Exit #16 A (the first Covington exit). At Exit #16 A, pick up U.S. 220 North and follow U.S. 220 North to The Homestead. **Note: Do not follow Rt. 606 from Clifton Forge.** [Click here](#) to view more detailed directions.
9. What activities are available on property for spouses and family members?
  - There are a variety of activities on property including golf, sporting clays, hiking tours, and The Spa. Visit <https://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/homestead-virginia/things-to-do> to see a full list of activities.
10. How do I register?
  - To register for the Annual Conference, go to <https://www.electricities.com/> and log into the ElectriCities portal.
  - Once logged in, click on Events on the Menu Bar, then Conferences & Regional Meetings.
  - Select Annual Conference and follow the instructions to register.
11. Can I transfer my registration?
  - Yes. Attendees can transfer their registration to another staff member from their municipality. To request a transfer, please email [events@electricities.org](mailto:events@electricities.org). The last day to request a registration transfer is Friday, Aug. 7, 2026.
12. Can I cancel my registration?
  - Yes. Attendees can cancel their registration. If cancelled after Friday, July 10, 2026, there will be a \$50 cancellation fee. If ElectriCities or the hotel cancels the conference, all registration fees will be refunded. To cancel your registration, please email [events@electricities.org](mailto:events@electricities.org).
13. Is on-site registration available?
  - Yes. On-site registration is available when you arrive at the conference. Payment is required at the time of registration.
14. Are meals and refreshments provided?
  - Yes. A variety of meals and snacks are provided. Multiple options are also available on-site at The Omni Homestead Resort. [Click here](#) to view a full list. Dinner reservations are recommended.

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15. Are dietary restrictions accommodated?

- Yes. Electricities strives to meet all dietary requirements. Please indicate any restrictions or allergies when registering for the conference.

16. What is the dress code?

- The dress code for the Annual Conference is resort casual. Keep in mind conference rooms tend to be chilly, so please consider bringing layers.

17. What should I expect when I arrive at the conference?

- When you arrive at the conference, you'll need to check in at the registration desk and print your name badge. Name badges are required for all sessions and networking events. Once your name badge is printed, you are checked in for the conference.

18. Do guests receive name badges?

- Yes. Registered guests will also require a name badge to attend the networking events. If you have guests, please print name badges for you and your guest(s) at the same time.

19. Who should I contact if I have questions about the event?

- If you have questions about the event, please email [events@electricities.org](mailto:events@electricities.org).