Official ARRL Field Organization Appointment Description

Local Government Liaison (LGL):

The Local Government Liaison (LGL) is primarily responsible for monitoring proposals and actions by local government bodies and officials that may affect Amateur Radio; for working with the local PIO to alert section leadership officials and area amateurs to any such proposals or actions, and for coordinating local responses. In addition, the LGL serves as a primary contact for amateurs encountering problems dealing with local government agencies, for those who want to avoid problems, and for local officials who wish to work with amateurs or simply learn more about Amateur Radio. The most effective LGL will be able to monitor local government dockets consistently, muster local, organize support quickly when necessary, and be well-known in the local amateur community as the point person for local government problems. LGLs are appointed by and report to the Section Manager.

Requirements

1. Must be a Full Member of the ARRL

Responsibilities

1. Monitor proposals and actions of town/city councils, zoning boards, zoning appeals boards, and any other legislative or regulatory agencies or officials below the state level whose actions can directly or indirectly affect Amateur Radio.

2. Attend meetings of those bodies, when possible, to become familiar with their policies, procedures, and members. Assist local amateurs in their dealings with local boards and agencies.

3. Be available to educate elected and appointed officials, formally and informally, about the value of Amateur Radio to their community.

4. Work with the PIO or PIC to inform local amateurs, the SGL, and the SM of any proposals of actions that may affect Amateur Radio, and regularly report on progress or lack thereof.

5. Work with the PIO to organize the necessary local response to any significant proposals or actions, either negative or positive, and coordinate that response.

6. Refer amateurs seeking ARRL Volunteer Counsels to HQ.

7. Register on the mailing list for Planning Commission meeting agendas.
8. Work with the PIO and local clubs to build and/or maintain good relations between Amateur Radio and local officials. (For example, invite the mayor to a club dinner or council members to Field Day.)

Recruitment of new hams and ARRL members is an integral part of the job of every ARRL appointee. Appointees should take advantage of every opportunity to recruit a new ham or member to foster growth of Field Organization programs, and our abilities to serve the public.