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Registration open for Senator Yager's Annual Grants Conference on Sept. 3

(NASHVILLE, Tenn.) – Registration is now open for State Senator Ken Yager (R-Kingston)'s annual Grants Conference on Wednesday, September 3, at Roane State Community College in Harriman. Those associated with local governments, community organizations and nonprofits can register for the event online at www.kenyager.com/register. Admission is free, but registration is required.

The event is held in partnership with the college's Office of Workforce and Community Development and is designed to help grant applicants learn how to successfully apply for federal, state, and local grants.

"The goal is simple: never let a grant opportunity go unused because our communities weren't aware or weren't prepared," said Yager. "The right grant can transform a project from an idea into reality, and this conference will give attendees the tools they need to compete for those dollars."

Since launching the event in 2013, Senator Yager has brought together grant experts and state officials from Nashville to share best practices on grant writing, application processes, and funding strategies. The conference provides a unique opportunity for East Tennessee communities to engage directly with professionals who administer and award funding across a wide range of needs—from infrastructure and public safety to education, health, and workforce development.

This year's conference will be held in the **O'Brien Theatre** at **Roane State** from **8:30 a.m. to 2:00** p.m. EST.

"There is a real art to writing and winning grant applications," Yager added. "This event brings the experts to us and equips our communities to maximize every opportunity to bring funding home."