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## Secret to better police relations? Lewiston: Be yourself on social media

By some measures, the public's confidence in police has never been worse. As departments look for ideas to repair or preserve their relationships with the communities they serve, they may want to look to Lewiston, Maine, and neighboring agencies that have found powerful success using social media to show officers as real people.

## The world's smartest car (and what it says about the future of urban driving)

While many cities are taking advantage of smart traffic management technologies to make streets safer and less congested for both cars and pedestrians, car makers are doing much the same. Of course the difference is they're putting the technology in their cars. The new Mercedes-Benz E-Class from Council Lead Partner Daimler is a good example of how the future of autonomous driving could unfold.

## Webinars: Building Human Capital and the Next Urban Future

Join Meeting of the Minds for a series of webinars to help cities become more sustainable and resilient. On Tuesday, Jan. 19, Cisco Chief Knowledge Officer Jeanne Beliveau-Dunn will discuss the role skills, talent and people play in realizing the sustainability goals set by cities. On Wednesday, Jan. 20, a second webinar will cover how cities are adapting to the big data revolution and how they are using new technologies to upgrade their infrastructure and improve resilience. Register today.

## Mayors: How MetroLab can help you benefit from local universities

If you aren't working with local universities on your smart cities initiatives, you're missing out on a valuable resource for research, design and development. Nearly two dozen American cities are working with universities to design and test pilots, and a new mechanism is making it even easier for cities like yours to tap into university resources too.

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**2.9: IoT Data Analytics and Visualization** - Palo Alto, California

**2.29: 2016 ARPA-E Energy Innovation Summit** - Washington, D.C.

**3.15: IEEE International Conference on Big Data and Smart City** - Muscat, Oman

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