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New Administration, New Budget Picture for State and Local Government?

Hundreds of technology partners focused on the public sector gathered outside Washington, D.C., for the annual Beyond the Beltway event, an industry-focused forecast of what 2025 looks like for state and local IT.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The new administration took over last month, ushering in several significant policy changes affecting the federal workforce, the U.S.'s approach to artificial intelligence, energy policy and much more. President Trump's second term also begins as the end is nearing for generational investments that sent billions to state and local governments, namely the Inflation Reduction Act and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

At e.Republic's* annual [Beyond the Beltway event](#), technology firms that do business with government convened to hear how these large-scale changes will impact innovation in states and localities in 2025.

State chief information officers on hand described budget conditions that haven't changed a lot yet, but there are signs that belt tightening is on the way. Many talked about increased legislative scrutiny of IT budget requests, noting that the focus on finding efficiencies through technology is penetrating at the state level too.

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