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## Richard Stockton College to host meeting on municipalities sharing services

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For the 23 municipalities in Atlantic County, each has its own public works department, each with its own expensive fleet of various heavy vehicles. But if there were an agreement with a group of neighboring municipalities to share those vehicles, each could save thousands.

That's the concept behind an attempt to create ways for local governments to share resources, particularly as budgets are tight and likely to get tighter next year.

Richard Stockton College, in a partnership with Galloway Township, will host a workshop for all Atlantic County managers, mayors and administrators in an effort not just to discuss sharing resources, but also to perhaps offer a place where agreements can be reached, said Sharon Schulman, executive director of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at Stockton.

While Schulman and Galloway officials have discussed the meeting with a few other area

reluctant to give up their home rule. Now towns really don't have much choice," she said.

Township Administrator Roger Tees said the college is facilitating the meeting "to help people

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