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July 21, 2023

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT 2023

Join the Nebraska Department of Transportation, the Nebraska Association of County Officials and the League of Municipalities for the first ever Transportation Summit.

EVENT DETAILS

📅 **August 23, 2023 | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

📍 **Younes Conference Center South 416 W. Talmadge Road Kearney, Neb.**

Meant for cities, municipalities, and counties, this event focuses on discretionary grant assistance.

Learn more about how to develop high-quality, competitive grant applications for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) grant opportunities, such as key aspects of grant writing, identifying relevant roles and responsibilities in the grant development process, and much more.

REGISTRATION

To register, to go: https://go.unl.edu/transportationsummit. Registration is **free** and ends on Aug. 9.

The **2023 Transportation Summit** will be at the Younes Conference Center South in Kearney, NE on August 23rd. This free, one-day event will provide valuable insights on developing high-quality, competitive grant applications for the Bipartisan Infrastructure

Law (BIL) grant opportunities. You will learn about key aspects of grant writing and identify relevant roles and responsibilities in the grant development process.

The event will feature speakers from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), NDOT, and other partners with expertise in grant writing. Key topics that will be covered include:

-Infrastructure/transportation funding available to local agencies

-Keys to competitive grant applications

-Preparing in advance for Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

-Taking action after NOFO is issued

-Meeting federal requirements

-Broadband

Registration for the summit is free, and the deadline for registration is August 9th.

Register Here

Registration for the Assessors Workshop to Close August 14th

Attention assessors! The registration deadline for the Nebraska Association of County Assessors Workshop is August 14th at 5 PM.
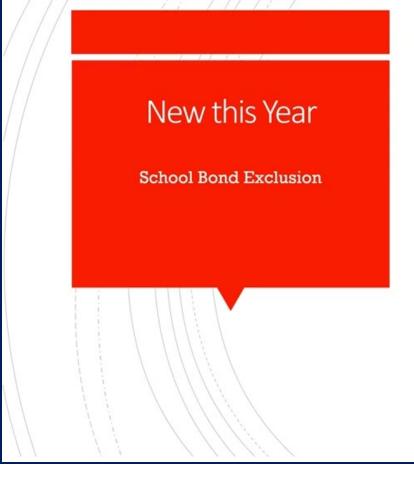
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Upcoming
Fall District Meetings

September 14 - Southeast District Meeting
Mahoney State Park, Ashland

September 15 - Northeast District Meeting
Lifelong Learning Center, Norfolk

September 21 - Central District Meeting
Holiday Inn, Kearney

September 27 - Panhandle District Meeting
Prairie Winds Community Center, Bridgeport

September 28 - West Central District Meeting
Mid-Plains Community College North, North Platte

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Registration for the Fall District Meetings will open on the NACO website on August 7th.

View the Postcard Prep & Legislative Updates Webinar

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New this Year

School Bond Exclusion

Property tax request means the total am[ount] taxes requested to be raised for a pol[itical] through the levy imposed pursuant to [...] **excluding the amount to be levied for** principal or interest on bonds issued [or to] be issued by a school district.

On July 12th, NACO hosted a webinar discussing legislative updates, postcard preparation, and the joint public hearing.

View the webinar and download the presentation slides below.

Download the Presentation Slides

Nebraska Voter Information Lookup Online Tool

Nebraska's Voter Check system is a great tool for Nebraskans to check their voter registration, view provisional ballot status, view absentee ballot status, and find a polling place.

Check out the Voter Check system at https://www.votercheck.necvr.ne.gov/voterview

Save the Dates for Annual Conference

SAVE THE DATE

NACO — NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

129TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Take advantage of your opportunity to network, learn, and engage with vendors! Registration to open August 1st.

DECEMBER 13-15, 2023
WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY

YOUNES CONFERENCE CENTER NORTH KEARNEY, NE

www.nebraskacounties.org

We are excited to announce a new format for hotel reservations for the 2023 NACO Annual Conference in Kearney, NE!

Instead of calling in to reserve rooms, there will now be an emailed form. This new process will continue to operate on a first-come, first-serve basis. More details will be shared with your county clerks.

Please save these important dates below.

August 1, 2023

First day for NACO to turn in the reservation form

Registration for Annual Conference opens, Registration fee is $150

September 18, 2023

Guest names for all reservations made

November 10, 2023

Any rooms without a guest name will be released back to the general inventory

December 13-15, 2023

NACO Annual Conference

Annual Conference Agenda

Wednesday, December 13 - 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

- Exhibit Hall Opens at 8:00 A.M.
- Affiliate Groups may start as early as 9:00 A.M. and end as late as 4:00 P.M. Please note County Board session starts at 10:00 A.M. and ends at 3:00 P.M.
- Sponsored Dinner and Hospitality Suites will be at Younes Center South in the evening.

Thursday, December 14 - 8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

- Exhibit Hall Opens at 8:00 A.M.
- Sessions start at 9:00 A.M. and end at 3:15 P.M. (Breakfast and Lunch provided)
- Door prizes in Exhibit Hall at 3:30 P.M.
- Sponsored Dinner and Hospitality Suites will be at Younes Center South in the evening.

Friday, December 15 - 7:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

- NACO Business Meeting (Breakfast Provided)

We have arranged for a single bus to provide transportation services for hotel guests in the Younes campus area. The bus will be available for pick up and drop off between 8:00 A.M. and 11:30 P.M. on both Wednesday and Thursday.

USDA Makes Grants Available to Help Repair Community Facilities in Rural Nebraska Damaged by Disasters in 2022

Is your community still sorting out repairs on buildings or equipment from disasters last year? Long after storms have quieted and fires are put out, local leaders take responsibility for repairing roofs, equipment, water systems, and other damage that

occurs to community facilities. These facilities are essential to community life: providing shelter and services to rural residents.

Now, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development Nebraska can offer grants to help repair essential community facilities that were damaged by disasters in 2022.

"USDA Rural Development Nebraska stands ready to deploy resources to help communities rebuild essential facilities damaged by disasters," Bolz said.

The facilities must be located in eligible rural areas with a population of 20,000 or less and must be in presidentially declared disaster areas. These counties include Antelope, Boone, Burt, Cedar, Cuming, Custer, Dixon, Frontier, Furnas, Garfield, Greeley, Holt, Knox, Logan, Pierce, Polk, Red Willow, Sherman, Thurston, Valley, Wayne, Wheeler, and York Counties.

Eligible organizations include public bodies, federally recognized Indian Tribes and community-based nonprofits.

Funds may be used to:

-Repair essential community facilities,

-Replace damaged equipment or vehicles,

-Purchase new equipment to undertake repairs to damaged facilities.

Disaster related grants may cover up to 75% of total project cost and the applicant must be unable to finance the proposed project from existing resources or commercial credit. Grant funds may not be used for expenses that have been reimbursed from other sources or that other sources (such as insurance) are obligated to reimburse. Funding for the balance of the project may consist of other financial assistance, applicant contributions, or loans and grants from other sources. In-kind contributions are not an acceptable source of cost-sharing funds.

Applications for Community Facilities Disaster Repair Grants will be accepted on a continual basis until all funds are exhausted. There is no minimum or maximum grant limit per project.

USDA Rural Development has extensive experience in working with rural communities to build, rebuild, and repair essential community facilities. For example, Gosper County purchased a new grass fire truck with assistance from USDA and assisted with repair of the roof of the community center in Steinhauer. USDA Rural Development staff is available to work with you one on one to explore opportunities to repair essential facilities in your community.
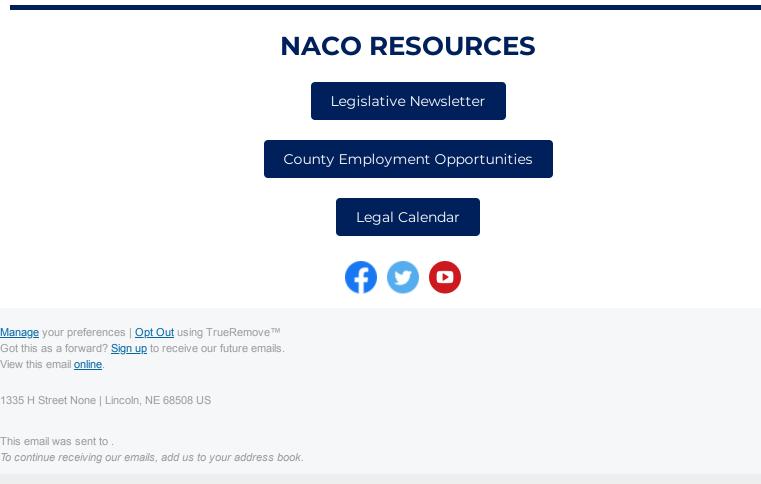
For more information on how to apply, contact Kelley Messenger at kelley.messenger@usda.gov or visit rd.usda.gov/ne.

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