



The Ninety-Three

September 8, 2023

NACO Legislative Conference

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NACO LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023
NIELSEN COMMUNITY CENTER, WEST POINT

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NACO District Meetings

Southeast – September 14th, Mahoney State Park, Ashland - *Pre-registration Closed*

Northeast – September 15th, Lifelong Learning Center, Norfolk - *Pre-registration Closed*

Central – September 21st, Holiday Inn, Kearney

Panhandle – September 27th, Prairie Winds Community Center, Bridgeport

West Central – September 28th, Mid-Plains CC North, North Platte

Registration - 8:00-9:00 a.m.

Business Meeting - 9:00-10:15 a.m.

Affiliate Breakout Sessions -10:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Lunch - 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Preliminary Meeting Agendas

[Southeast](#)

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Flags to Fly at Half-Staff in Honor of Patriot Day

LINCOLN, NE – September 7, 2023 - Today, Governor Jim Pillen announced that all U.S. and Nebraska flags are to be flown at half-staff on Patriot Day, September 11, 2023. Flags should be flown at half-staff from sunrise until sunset on that date.

“September 11 marks a solemn day in our nation’s history – one that will never be forgotten,” said Gov. Pillen. “That date will be marked with many fitting remembrances. Twenty-two years have passed, but our memories have barely dimmed. By lowering our flags, we pay tribute to those who perished, we honor the heroes, and we acknowledge

the service of our military men and women, who have also made sacrifices so that we can continue to live under a banner of freedom today.”

NACO West Office Update



We are excited to announce that dirt will be moving and concrete will be poured in the coming weeks at the NACO West location.

We will post photos of our progress on Facebook. Stay tuned.



NACo Leadership Academy Graduates

We want to acknowledge and congratulate the April NACo Leadership Academy graduates from Nebraska. They join over 10,000 graduates and current participants from across the country benefitting from the 12-week online program enabling existing and emerging county leaders to achieve their highest potential.

David Kruger, Highway Superintendent, Washington County

John Jaeckel, Operations Manager, Douglas County

Karin Caldwell, Administrative Assistant, Douglas County

LaKeidra Roatch, Veteran Service Officer, Douglas County

Latasha Jones, Lead Community Program Specialist, Douglas County

Leeann Derry, Clerk 2, Douglas County

Mary Hagge, A Shift Supervisor, Douglas County

Matt Thieman, Lead Program Analyst, Nebraska State Association of Counties

Patti Jurjevich, Regional Administrator, Douglas County

Randy Walther, Finance and Contracts Analyst, Douglas County

Ryan Crawford, Specialist, Douglas County

Steven Leighton, Shift Supervisor, Douglas County

Todd Connely, Specialist, Douglas County

Tracy Colledge, General Assistance, Douglas County

Tyler Graham, Shift Supervisor, Douglas County

Pre-Register for the Annual Conference Now



2023 NACO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

DECEMBER 13-15, YOUNES CONFERENCE CENTER NORTH, KEARNEY, NE

PRE-REGISTRATION OPEN NOW

Register at www.nebraskacounties.org

Registration Deadline: November 22, 2023

JOIN US IN DECEMBER

Conference registration will also open on August 1, 2023. The cost is \$150.00 per attendee and \$100.00 per guest. A spouse is considered a guest.

The registration deadline is November 22, 2023 at 11:59 P.M. CT.

All cancellations after November 22, 2023 are subject to a \$50.00 administrative fee.

[Click Here for Registration and More](#)

Annual Conference Hotel Reservations

If you reserved multiple rooms for your county, you must provide a rooming list with guest names and stay dates to the Younes Team by September 18th. Any unclaimed rooms after September 18th will be placed back into the general NACO block for other attendees/counties to reserve.

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.
- General Session begins at 9:00 A.M.
 - Speaker - Richard Hight
- Morning Breakout Session begins at 11:00
 - TIF (Tax Increment Financing) 2.0
 - Long Term Care Crisis in Rural Communities
 - Strategies to Address Mental Health in the Workplace
 - Natural Disaster Recovery and Community Impact
 - Childcare Demographics
- Lunch at 12:00
- Afternoon Breakout Session begins at 2:00
 - Tips on Effective State Legislative Advocacy
 - Planning for a Cybersecurity Incident
 - Grid Up, Power Down
 - Navigating Public Financing and Bonds
 - Housing Issues Facing both Rural and Urban Areas
- 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.



Submit Your Award Nominations Now

Nomination forms for the 2023 **County Official of the Year Award**, **Lifetime Achievement Award**, and **Next Generation Award** are available for submission.

Attach supporting documentation as necessary and please email all submission forms and backup documentation to candace.meredith@nebraskacounties.org

The deadline to submit your award nominations is Friday, October 20th.

Announcement of the 2023 recipients will be made at the Annual Conference.

[45th Annual County Official of the Year](#)

[2023 Lifetime Achievement Award](#)

[2023 Next Generation Award](#)

FEMA and FCC Plan Nationwide Emergency Alert Test Oct. 4.

FEMA, in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), will conduct a [nationwide test](#) of the [Emergency Alert System](#) (EAS) and [Wireless Emergency Alerts](#) (WEA) on Oct. 4.

The national test will consist of two portions, testing WEA and EAS capabilities. Both tests are scheduled to begin at approximately 2:20 p.m. ET on Wednesday, Oct. 4.

The WEA portion of the test will be directed to all consumer cell phones and will be the third nationwide test, but the second test to all cellular devices. The test message will display in either English or Spanish, depending on the language settings of the wireless handset. The EAS portion of the test will be sent to radios and televisions. This will be the seventh nationwide EAS test.

Read more [here](#).

Greater Nebraska Rural Opportunities Interview Sessions Oct. 20

Friday, October 20, 2023 • 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.

In an effort to provide attorneys and law students with an opportunity to experience the practice of law in Greater Nebraska, the Nebraska State Bar Association is conducting its Rural Practice Initiative Program. We hope to connect participating law students with firms looking to hire associates or law clerks in Greater Nebraska.

If you are interested in interviewing, **return the completed form** (*find appropriate form below*) to **Sam Clinch** at the NSBA by email at sclinch@nebar.com or US Mail at 635 S. 14th St #200, Lincoln, NE 68508. Please return the form below by **October 13, 2023**.

[Law Firms](#)

[Attorneys](#)

[Paralegals](#)

Nebraska Cyber Security Conference



Tuesday, October 31, 2023

8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Nebraska Innovation Campus (NIC)

2021 Transformation Drive

Lincoln, NE

The Nebraska Cyber Security Conference will assist in raising our awareness of cyber security and help in protecting all of us in cyberspace.

Register by Sept. 12 and SAVE!

Early Bird Education Rate: \$99

Early Bird Regular Rate: \$129

After Sept. 12:

Education Rate: \$129

Regular Rate: \$14

[Click Here for Registration](#)

NACO Sponsor Spotlight



USDA Rural Development
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Lincoln, NE 68508
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Rural Development

Contact: [Meredith Mingledorff](#)
Public Information Officer

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