



# 129TH NACO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## YOUNES CENTER NORTH: DECEMBER 13-15, 2023

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Registration Open
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Vendor Set Up in Exhibit Hall

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

7:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Registration Open
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Affiliate Sessions (See schedules below)
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Exhibit Hall is Open
8:30 AM – 12:00 AM	Bus Transportation Available
11:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Documentary Viewing Room, Bronze 1
4:30 PM – 8:00 PM	Hospitality Room Sponsored by Midwest Services at Younes Center South

### ASSESSORS – GOLD 1

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	State GIS Coordinator, Casey Dunggossin
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	<b>Gold 7, 8, 9</b> - Consumption Tax & Local Control Panel Discussion – Dylan Grundman O’Neill, Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy; Rebecca Firestone, Open Sky Policy Institute; Bryan Slone, Nebraska Chamber of Commerce & Industry, moderated by Jon Cannon
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Workplace Violence and Field Safety, Kearney Police Department
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Property Assessment Division

### CLERKS / REGISTER OF DEEDS / ELECTION COMMISSIONERS – GOLD 2-3

8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Record Retention – Austin Rhodes, Secretary of State Records Management
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Going Paperless Panel Discussion – Jill Elliot and Matt Thieman, MIPS; Jarod Dendinger and Matt Childress, Applied Connective, Joann Fischer, Knox County, moderated by Sherry Schweitzer, Seward County Clerk.
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Business Meeting and Lunch
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM	Nebraska Secretary of State Educational Campaign Update for Voter Identification
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Register of Deeds Roundtable Discussion, Bronze 2
12:45 PM – 1:30 PM	IRS Forms Updates via Zoom
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Joint Session Open Meeting Laws – Attorney General Mike Hilgers and Assistant Attorney General Leslie Donley
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Election Commissioner Roundtable Discussion, Bronze 2

### CLERKS OF THE DISTRICT COURT – GOLD 4

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Welcome – Monica Rotherham, Clerk of the Madison County District Court
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9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Ethics Panel Discussion – Anne Winner, Partner – Keating, O’Gara, Nedved & Peter; Amy Prenda, Deputy Administrator – Court Services; Valorie Bendixen, District Court Trial Court Services Director
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	Break
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	E is for Electronic – Sue Nieto, IT Applications Analyst
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 2:15 PM	JUSTICE Tips and Tricks – Jordan Hernandez, JUSTICE Business Analyst
2:15 PM – 2:45 PM	Roundtable Discussion – Monica Rotherham, Clerk of the Madison County District Court
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 PM	Business Meeting
<b>COUNTY BOARDS AND ATTORNEYS – GOLD 7, 8, 9</b>	
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Consumption Tax & Local Control Panel Discussion – Dylan Grundman O’Neill, Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy; Rebecca Firestone, Open Sky Policy Institute; Bryan Slone, Nebraska Chamber of Commerce & Industry, moderated by Jon Cannon
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Box Lunch and Visit Exhibit Hall
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	Nebraska Department of Transportation and Broadband Updates – Vicki Kramer, NDOT Director; Patrick Haggerty, NDOT State Broadband Director
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Joint Session Open Meeting Laws – Attorney General Mike Hilgers and Assistant Attorney General Leslie Donley
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGERS – PLATINUM 3</b>	
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	NAEM Board
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	NEMA Updates
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Lunch in Room
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	NACO Updates – Jon Cannon, Executive Director
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	Break
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	CISM
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Web EOC Exercise with NEMA Staff
<b>HEALTH DIRECTORS – PLATINUM 5</b>	
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Affiliate Meeting
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch in Room
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	Affiliate Meeting
<b>HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENTS / ENGINEERS / SURVEYORS – GOLD 5-6</b>	
7:30 AM – 8:00 AM	Bruce Fillipi, Association President

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Kevin Stone – NACE Executive Director
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Stephan McCall – NACE President-Elect
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Vicki Kramer, NDOT Director
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Local Assistance Division – Jodi Gibson, NDOT
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Ross Barron – State Bridge Engineer
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Kris Fornoff – NDOT Safety Traffic Updates
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	NACO Updates – Jon Cannon, Executive Director
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch on Your Own
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	NE LTAP
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Don Irving – Capital Industries
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	NIRMA
4:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Business Meeting

### **PLANNING AND ZONING – PLATINUM 7**

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	South Central Economic Development – Sharon Hueftle
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Break
10:15 AM – 12:00 PM	By-Laws and Procedure – Dave Ptak
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	Lunch in Room and Business Meeting
1:15 PM – 2:15 PM	Flood Plain Q&A – Chad Nabity
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	Roundtable Discussion

### **SHERIFFS – BRONZE 3**

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Business Meeting
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### **TREASURERS – GOLD 11, 12**

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	DMV Updates & Motor Vehicle Fraud - Betty Johnson & Glenn Elwell, Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Business Meeting
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch in Room
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Foreclosure and Treasurer’s Deeds Updates – Andrew Hoffmeister, Buffalo County Deputy Attorney
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Understanding Cashflow and Maximizing Investments Panel Discussion – Jeff Schreier, Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts; Alex Gurciullo, Lincoln County Treasurer; Tyler Frame, CashVest three+one, moderated by Heather Hauschild, Scotts Bluff County Treasurer

**VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS – GOLD 10**

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	VBMS, SHARE, DPRIS Training - Matt Starkey, Buffalo County VSO
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Post 9/11 GI Bill, Chapter 35 Education and Waiver of Tuition - UNK Representative
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	VA Home Loans - Dan Leathers, FNBO Kearney
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	CVSOAN Business Meeting
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Roundtable Discussions

**WEED SUPERINDENDENTS – PLATINUM 6**

8:15 AM – 8:30 AM	Roll Call
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	NAISMA Update – Todd Boller
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Platte River Recovery Program Update – Jason Bruggeman
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Legislative Updates – Todd Boller
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	USFWS Update – Cortney Schaefer
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Nebraska Forest Service – John Erixson
11:30 AM – 12:50 PM	Lunch on Your Own
12:50 PM – 1:00 PM	Roll Call
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	NACO Update – Jon Cannon, Executive Director
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Twin Valley WMA Update – Zach Jones
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Ducks Unlimited Update – Tim Horst
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	The Nature Conservancy Update – Rich Walters
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Lower Platte Weed Mgt Area Update – Mike Reed
3:30 PM	Exam

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2023**

7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Registration Open
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open
8:00 AM – 8: 55 AM	<b>Gold 1:</b> Election Updates – Wayne Bena, Nebraska Deputy Secretary of State
8:30 AM - 12:00 AM	Bus Transportation Available
3:15 PM – 4:00 PM	Door Prizes in Exhibit Hall

**ALL CONFERENCE BREAKFAST SPONSORED BY DA DAVIDSON**

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Menu: Donut Holes and Coffee
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**GENERAL SESSION – GOLD 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12**

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	General Session
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	The Masterpiece in You - Richard Hight, Keynote Speaker
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Break

**All CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSION #1**

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Gold 8-9:</b> Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Best Practices and Updates Panel Discussion – Christy Abraham, League of Nebraska Municipalities; Rachel Garver, Lancaster County; Mallory Lempka, Nemaha County, Michael Goodwillie, Douglas County, moderated by Jon Cannon, NACO
	<b>Gold 1:</b> Long-Term Care Crisis in Rural Communities – Jalene Carpenter, Nebraska Health Care Association
	<b>Gold 2-3:</b> Strategies to Address Mental Health in the Workplace – Shyanne Adams, Region 3; Mary Ann Borgeson, Douglas County; Ed Wemhoff, Platte County; Brett Mattson, NACO
	<b>Gold 7:</b> Be Successful: Disaster Response and Recovery. The Chief Executive’s Role. – Erv Portis, Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, Dave Reisen, NEMA Planning and Training Supervisor
	<b>Bronze 2:</b> The Demand for Early Childhood Care Across Nebraska – Josie Schafer, University of Nebraska – Omaha, Center for Public Affairs

**VENDOR MEET-UP BRONZE 1**

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Ask the Experts: Tech Tips for Local Leaders, Tyler Technologies
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**ALL CONFERENCE LUNCH SPONSORED BY MASTER TECH TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT**

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Menu: South of the Border Buffet Special Guests: Nebraska State Senators
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	<b>Bronze 3:</b> Treasurers Mentorship Meeting
	<b>Platinum 5:</b> Clerks / Election Commissioners Mentorship Meeting
	<b>Platinum 4:</b> Clerks of the District Court Mentorship Meeting
1:30 – 2:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Break

## ALL CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSION #2

2:00 – 3:00 PM	<b>Gold 8-9:</b> Tips for Effective Advocacy Panel Discussion - Mary Ann Borgeson, Douglas County; Tracy Overstreet, Hall County; Senator Dorn, NE Legislature, moderated by Jon Cannon
	<b>Gold 2-3:</b> Navigating Public Financing and Bonds Panel Discussion - Paul Grieger, DA Davidson; Jeff Schreier, Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts; Mike Rogers, Gillmore Bell moderated by Beth Ferrell
	<b>Gold 1:</b> Planning for a Cybersecurity Incident – Patrick Wright, State of Nebraska Chief Information Security Officer
	<b>Gold 7:</b> Grid Down, Power Up – Doug Ellsworth, Secure The-Grid Coalition
	<b>Bronze 2:</b> Housing Challenges and Solutions in Nebraska – Shannon Harner, Nebraska Investment Finance Authority
	<b>Platinum 2:</b> County Board Member Roundtable

## WEED SUPERINTENDENTS – PLATINUM 6

8:00 AM	Roll Call
8:10 AM – 8:45 AM	NISC Update – Brent Meyer
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	NACO General Session
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Farm Service Agency – Patrick Lechner
11:00 AM – 11:25 AM	Nebraska Department of Transportation Update – Carson Jones
11:25 AM – 11:50 AM	Nebraska Game and Parks Update – Kristopher Stahr
12:00 PM – 12:50 PM	All Conference Lunch
12:55 PM	Roll Call
1:05 PM – 1:30 PM	Nebraska Association of Resource Districts Update – John Thorburn
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Nebraska – Andy Houser, Senior Coordinating Wildlife Biologist, Pheasants Forever, Inc. and Quail Forever
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	NEWMAC Update – Kristi Paul
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	NWCA Update – Rob Schultz
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	NDA Noxious Weed Program Update – Trevor Johnson
3:30 PM	Exam

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2023 - GOLD 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Delegation Breakfast
8:30 AM – 11:00 AM	NACO Business Meeting and Election Featured Guest: Bryan Tuma, Executive Director, Nebraska Crime Commission Door Prizes Sponsored by Oden Enterprises



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