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NACO Legislative Conference

NACO LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2024
NACO WEST, OGALLALA

Registration Fee: \$55 in Advance, \$65 Walk-in

Registration Deadline: 10/4/2024

Cancellation Policy: Registrants must submit written cancellation before 10/4/2024 deadline to be eligible for a full refund. Registrants who do not submit written cancellation prior to 10/4/2024 deadline, do not attend and did not pay will be charged a \$20 administrative fee (includes No Shows). REGISTRATIONS ARE NON-TRANSFERRABLE.

[NACO Hotel Block at the Hotel Inn Express, Ogallala](#)

\$110 - 308-284-6080

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NACO West Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING OUR NEW WESTERN OFFICE

RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10TH
12:00-1:00 PM MT



102 DIAMOND SPRINGS TRAIL
OGALLALA, NE 69153

NACO invites county officials to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony of the new NACO West office in Ogallala on Thursday, October 10th, at noon Mountain time.

Pre-Registration for Annual Conference Opens September 11

Conference registration will open on September 11, 2024 at 8:00 am CST. The cost is \$160.00 per attendee and \$100.00 per guest. A spouse is considered a guest.

The registration deadline is November 22, 2024 at 11:59 pm CST.

All cancellations after November 22, 2024 are subject to a \$50.00 administrative fee.

[NACO Annual Conference Webpage](#)

Annual Conference Agenda Overview

Wednesday, December 18th

- Registration Opens at 7:00 A.M.
- Exhibit Hall Opens at 7:00 A.M.
- Affiliate Group Sessions may start as early as 8:00 A.M. and end as late as 4:00 P.M. 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 South in the evening.
- Shuttle will be available for pick up and drop off at hotels on and around the Younes campus from 8:00 A.M. to 11:30 P.M.

Thursday, December 19th

- Registration Opens at 7:00 A.M.
- Breakfast Buffet at 7:30 A.M.
- Exhibit Hall Opens at 7:00 A.M.
- Opening Session starts at 8:30 A.M.
- Breakout Sessions from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (Lunch Provided)
- NACO Business Meeting at 3:15 PM (New this year! Moved from Friday)
- Door Prizes during Business Meeting between 3:15-4:30 PM
- Sponsored Dinner and Hospitality Suites will be at Younes Center South in the evening.
- Shuttle will be available for pick up and drop off at hotels on and around the Younes campus from 8:00 A.M. to 11:30 P.M.

Friday, December 20th

- Breakfast & NACO Legislative Forum (New this year!) from 7:00-9:00 AM

Hotel Reservation Form Available September 11

The hotel reservation process for our annual conference is about to begin! The online form will be available on Wednesday, September 11th at **1:30 P.M. MT/ 2:30 P.M. CT** until Friday, October 11th at 5:00 PM CT.

All hotel reservations must be made using this online form. Reservations will not be accepted by calling the front desk. Please read over the following information carefully to ensure a smooth hotel reservation process. Please note that the hotel reservation form is NOT your registration as an attendee for the annual conference.

Please be sure to coordinate hotel arrangements with your county. If you have questions about hotel reservations, please call 308-237-8813 or email youneshotels@gmail.com

[More Information on Hotel Reservation Process](#)

Submit Your Award Nominations Now

Nomination forms for the 2024 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 18th.

Announcement of the 2024 recipients will be made at the Annual Conference.

[46th Annual County Official of the Year Nomination Form](#)

[2024 Lifetime Achievement Award](#)

[2024 Next Generation Award](#)

NACO District Meetings

- **Southeast District Meeting** - September 12 - Graduate Lincoln Hotel, Lincoln - **Pre-registration Closed, Walk-in registrations welcome**
- **Northeast District Meeting** - September 13 - Lifelong Learning Center, Norfolk - **Pre-registration Closed, Walk-in registrations welcome**
- **Central District Meeting** - September 19 - The Leadership Center, Aurora - Deadline to Register - 9/12/24
- **Panhandle District Meeting** - September 25 - Bridgeport Community Center, Bridgeport - Deadline to Register - 9/18/24
- **West Central District Meeting** - September 26 - Quality Inn & Suites, Ogallala - Deadline to Register - 9/19/24

8:00-9:00 AM - Registration

9:00-10:15 AM - Business Meeting

10:15 AM-12:00 PM - Affiliate Breakout Meetings

12:00-1:00 PM - Lunch

[Register Here](#)

[District Meeting Agendas](#)

September 2024 National Preparedness Month Toolkit

National Preparedness Month (NPM) is an observance each September to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time. The Ready Campaign's 2024 National Preparedness Month

campaign hopes to empower all Americans to take action now to prepare for future risks and disasters.

Those launching the National Preparedness Month campaign in their community are encouraged to use the information in this toolkit to inform citizens on what simple, low and no cost preparedness actions they can take not only during the month of September, but throughout the year as well.

Preparedness materials in multiple languages can be accessed at Ready in Your Language | Ready.gov.

National Preparedness Month Toolkit



Frequently Asked Questions About the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act

[View the Document](#)

New Student Loan Benefit Available to NACO Health Insurance Pool Members



We get that student loans can be overwhelming. Let's change that. As an employee where the NACO Health Plan is offered, we're excited to give you and your family exclusive access to our new partner Savi - a straightforward financial wellness benefit to keep your student loans on track.

Student loan policy experts, advocates, and borrowers founded Savi to help solve our country's student debt crisis. Regardless of how much debt you have and where you are in your repayment journey, Savi will be there to walk you through every step of the process.

Through the first four days of the program, we have had \$240,657 of student loan debt managed with an average projected forgiveness of \$9,361 per user.

What can Savi do for you?

- Save you money on your monthly payments
- Create a clear path to apply for student loan forgiveness programs
- Provide answers to all of your student loan questions through educational webinars and customized support
- Keep you updated on new programs and policy changes

Savi has three different Support Plans - DIY, Essential, Pro. If you or your dependents are eligible for the NACO Health Pooled plan, you can receive Savi Essential for FREE (a \$70 value!).

To receive your coupon code, please email candace.meredith@nebraskacounties.org.

Interested?

Create an Account or **Log In to your existing Account** by going to nacobenefits.bysavi.com

Register for Savi's next Student Loan Webinars:

[Wednesday, October 2nd @ 3 PM CST](#)

Interested and not in the NACO health insurance pool? We can still coordinate services for you!

Please contact any of the NACO Benefit Services team members with questions:

Mike Boden – mike.boden@nebraskacounties.org

Judd Allen – Judd.allen@nebraskacounties.org

Gregg Mooney – Gregg.mooney@nebraskacounties.org

Candace Meredith – candace.meredith@nebraskacounties.org

Western Interstate Region (WIR) Ex Officio Director Nominations

The NACO Board of Directors is seeking nominations for the newly added position of the WIR Ex Officio Director.

This position is the Nebraska Representative on the WIR (Western Interstate Region) Board of Directors and would be responsible for attending WIR Board of Directors meetings, participate in occasional fly ins to Washington D.C to testify on a variety of issues facing counties as well as providing the NACO Board of Directors quarterly reports.

If you are interested in learning more about the WIR please reach out to Candace Meredith at candace.meredith@nebraskacounties.org.

Toolkit Now Available: Operation Green Light for Veterans

Operation Green Light for Veterans will take place November 4–11, 2024.

A [toolkit](#) is now available, with press release, resolution, and social media templates, among other resources to support county participation.



NACO West Update

Carpet has been installed in the business suites, and work on the ceilings continues.







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