



130TH NACO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

YOUNES CENTER NORTH | DECEMBER 18-20, 2024

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024

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

ASSESSORS – GOLD 1

8:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Property Assessment Division
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Property Assessment Division cont.
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Depreciation: The Down and Dirty - Derrick Niederklein, MIPS
2:00 PM – 2:20 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
2:20 PM – 3:20 PM	Depreciation: The Down and Dirty continued - Derrick Niederklein, MIPS
3:20 PM – 4:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Break

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

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Welcome – NACO Continuing Education Showcase; Introduction of NE Title Register of Deeds Partners
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Tabletop Discussions
11:00 AM – 11:45 AM	Elections – Wayne Bena, Nebraska Deputy Secretary of State
11:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Roundtable Discussion, Platinum 2
11:45 AM – 1:15 PM	Business Meeting and Lunch
1:15 PM – 2:00 PM	County Plan – What Employers Need to Know – Caitlin Glenn, Auditor, NPERS
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Navigating County Budget Changes: Inflation Adjustments, Property Tax Caps, and Cash Reserve Strategies for Counties – Shane Kavanagh, GFOA; Diego Mendez-Carbajo, FRED; Jeff Schreier, Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts

CLERKS OF THE DISTRICT COURT – GOLD 4

8:00 AM – 8:15 AM	Welcome & Introductions – Peggy Birky, Fillmore County Clerk of the District Court
8:15 AM – 9:00 AM	The Americans with Disabilities Act – Amy Prenda, Deputy Administrator of Court Services
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	AOCP Update – New Supreme Court Rule, New Juror Qualification Form, and New Expectations for Collecting Juror Data – Amy Prenda, Deputy Administrator of Court Services; Valorie Bendixen, District Court Trial Court Services Director
9:30 AM – 9:45 AM	Break
9:45 AM – 11:00 AM	JUSTICE Tidbits – Sue Nieto, Information Technology Applications Analyst; Jordan Hernandez, IT Business Systems Analyst
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	NJEES – Pilot & Demo Nebraska Judicial Electronic Exhibit System – Sue Nieto, Information Technology Applications Analyst
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch & Exhibit Hall
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Supreme Court Clerk Office Updates & Electronic Bills of Exception Discussion – Joshua Shasserre, Clerk of the Supreme Court
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM	Technology Updates – Sanaz Ahmadi, Chief Information Officer
2:45 PM – 3:00 PM	Legislative Updates – Janet Wiechelman, Cedar County Clerk of the District Court
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Business Meeting
4:00 PM	Adjourn

COUNTY BOARDS AND ATTORNEYS – GOLD 7, 8, 9

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	How to Change the Face of Behavioral Health – Hamilton Baiden, Youturn Health CEO
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	A New Way Forward: Hot Meals USA – Dick Cochran, Hot Meal USA CEO
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	FAQ: 2025 Reorganization and Elected Official Transition – Beth Ferrell, NACO Legal Counsel; Elaine Menzel, NACO Legal Counsel; Mike Boden, NACO Benefit Services Manager
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Lunch Buffet and Visit Exhibit Hall
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Nebraska Environmental Trust – Karl Elmshaeuser, Executive Director
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Navigating County Budget Changes: Inflation Adjustments, Property Tax Caps, and Cash Reserve Strategies for Counties – Shane Kavanagh, GFOA; Diego Mendez-Carbajo, FRED; Jeff Schreier, Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts

EMERGENCY MANAGERS – BRONZE 1

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	NAEM Business Meeting
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	NEMA Updates
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	NEMA Updates – Disaster Declaration updates for year
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Lunch Buffet
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	Central Region – Year in Review

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Northeast Region – Year in Review
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Panhandle Region – Year in Review
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Southeast Region – Year in Review
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	West Central Region – Year in Review
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
HEALTH DIRECTORS – PLATINUM 5	
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	NALHD Meeting – All Day
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENTS / ENGINEERS / SURVEYORS – GOLD 5-6	
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	NACE - National Infrastructure Update Kevin Stone & Stephen McCall
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	NDOT - Director Vicki Kramer
9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	Local Assistance -Jodi Gibson
9:15 AM – 9:30 AM	Infrastructure Hub
9:30 AM – 9:45 AM	Bridge Division - Update
9:45 AM – 10:00 AM	Traffic Engineering - MUTCD
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Break/ Exhibit Hall
10:15 AM – 11:00 AM	NEMA Updates
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Legislative Update-Candace Meredith
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	NACO Executive Director- Jon Cannon
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	Lunch Buffet Provided by NACO- eat in designated Rooms
12:30 PM – 1:15 PM	NE LTAP Director- Mitch Doht
1:15 PM – 2:00 PM	NE LTAP-Update
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Coleman Moore Company-Kevin Good
2:30 PM – 2:45 PM	Break/ Exhibit Hall
2:45 PM – 3:30 PM	NIRMA-Chad Engle & KC Pawling
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Business Meeting

PLANNING AND ZONING – BRONZE 3	
9:00 AM – 10:15 AM	Public Service Commission: Communication Towers, Broadband, New Technologies – Cullen Robbins
10:15 AM – 10:30 AM	Break
10:30 AM – 11:45 AM	NDEE – Settje Ag Services – Brad Edeal, Dean Settje, Partick Ducey CAFO New Technologies
11:50 AM – 12:45 PM	Lunch
12:45 PM – 1:00 PM	NACO P/Z Business Meeting
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Author My Day – Tammy Stuhr, Motivational Speaker
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Break

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Smorgasbord Topics: Planning and Zoning Implications for Organics Management, Used/Rechargeable Battery Handing/Disposal & Value Added Recycling – Kent Holm
SHERIFFS – BRONZE 2	
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Business Meeting
TREASURERS – GOLD 11, 12	
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	County Revenue Roadmap: A Review of the Updated Allocation Handbook – Sarah Scott, Nebraska Department of Revenue; Jeff Schreier, Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts; Matt Thieman, MIPS
11:00 AM – 11:15 AM	Break
11:15 AM – 1:00 PM	Business Meeting & Lunch
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	DMV Updates – Betty Johnson, Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	NACO Continuing Education Information
3:00 PM	Exhibit Hall
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS – GOLD 10	
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Veterans Service Training
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Veterans Service Training
WEED SUPERINDEPENDENTS – 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	Noxious Weed Advisory Committee – Rob Schultz
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	USGS Update – Ginny McGuire
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Nebraska Department of Transportation – Carson Jones
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	NACO Soup and Deli LUNCH BUFFET (bring plate back to room)
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM	Exhibit Hall Break
12:45 PM – 1:00 PM	Roll Call
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	NACO Update – Jon Cannon
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Nebraska Game and Parks Update – Kristopher Stahr
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever in Nebraska – Andy Houser – Senior Coordinating Wildlife Biologist
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Platte River Access Program – Jonathan Wentz – Platte River Recovery Program
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Exam

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2024

7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Registration Open
7:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Bronze 5: Documentary Viewing Room
8:00 AM - 12:00 AM	Bus Transportation Available
4:30 PM – 6:30 PM	Hospitality Room Sponsored by Senator Pete Ricketts at Younes Center South
ALL CONFERENCE BREAKFAST BUFFET SPONSORED BY DA DAVIDSON	
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Just Like Home Breakfast Menu: Sausage Gravy, Biscuits, Eggs, Ham, Hash Browns, Cinnamon Rolls
OPENING SESSION – GOLD 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12	
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Opening Session
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	What’s Your Pink Cadillac? The Transformational Power of Prioritizing Joy – Ryan Campbell, Keynote Speaker
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Fostering Civility in Public Discourse – Mariah Levison, Convergence Center for Policy Resolution
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Exhibit Hall Break
All CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSION #1	
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Gold 8-9: Roadmap to Available Revenues: Funding Nebraska's Infrastructure – Jodi Gibson, Nebraska Department of Transportation
	Gold 1: All the Tools in the Toolbox: how counties can leverage social care technology to support their communities – Natalie Daniel, Unite Us
	Gold 2-3: County Process for Mobile Homes and Where Can We Go From Here – Sherry Winstrom, Kimball County Assessor; Sandy Zoubek, Stanton County Treasurer; Sgt. Ted Huber, Buffalo County Sheriff’s Office, Court Services Division; Moderated by Derrick Niederklein, MIPS Deputy Director.
	Gold 7: From Hire to Retire: Navigating the Employee Lifecycle with Compliance – Jordan Arndt, Zelle Human Resource Solutions Consultant
	Bronze 1: Working with County Officials While Enforcing Brand Laws – C.J. Fell, Branding Committee
ALL CONFERENCE LUNCH SPONSORED BY MASTER TECH TRUCK AND EQUIPMENT	
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Menu: Carved Turkey, Ravioli and Steamed Veggies Special Guests: Nebraska State Senators Dean Suttle, Author of “Inside Nebraska Courthouses”
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Bronze 3: Treasurers Mentorship Meeting
	Bronze 2: Clerks / Election Commissioners Mentorship Meeting
	Bronze 1: Clerks of the District Court Mentorship Meeting
1:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Break

ALL CONFERENCE BREAKOUT SESSION #2

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	Gold 8-9: County Strategies for Fostering Community Engagement: Online and On the Ground – Charlie Knapper, Scotts Bluff County Commissioner; Heather Waite, MIPS Support Specialist; Brandon Myers, NAEM President; Mark Schoenrock, Jefferson County Commissioner; Moderated by Riley Sigler, NACO
	Gold 2-3: Opioid Settlements Panel – Dr. Thomas Janousek, DHHS Behavioral Health Executive Director; Tiffany Gressley, Region 3 Behavioral Health Services Regional Administrator. Moderated by Mary Ann Borgeson, Douglas County Commissioner
	Gold 1: Utility Scale Wind and Solar in Nebraska – John Hay, Extension Educator, Nebraska Extension
	Bronze 1: Connecting Counties: Broadband Expansion for Rural Nebraska – Oliver Borchers-Williams, Southeast Nebraska Development District; Bruce Rieker, Nebraska Farm Bureau; Moderated by Emily Haxby, Gage County Supervisor
	Gold 7: Capital Improvement Plan – Tom Bliss, Southeast Nebraska Development District, Executive Director; Terry Meier, JEO Consulting; Karsyn Bredenkamp, SENDD; Jon Rosenlund, Hall County Emergency Manager.
	Platinum 2: County Board Member Roundtable

NACO BUSINESS MEETING – GOLD 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12

2:45 PM – 5:00 PM	Door Prize Giveaways and Business Meeting
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WEED SUPERINTENDENTS – PLATINUM 6

7:30 AM	All Conference Breakfast
8:00 AM – 10:30 AM	NACO Opening Session (Required)
10:30 AM – 10:40 AM	Roll Call
10:40 AM – 11:10 AM	Nebraska Forest Service – John Erixson
11:15 AM – 11:45 AM	Nebraska Invasive Species Council Update – Shannon Smith
12:00 PM – 12:50 PM	All Conference Lunch
12:55 PM	Roll Call
1:05 PM – 1:30 PM	History of Riparian Legislation – Brent Meyer
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	The Nature Conservancy Update – Cody Miller
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	County Designated Noxious Weeds – Scott Erthum
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Plant ID Apps – Margaret Valladao
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	NDA Noxious Weed Program Update – Trevor Johnson
3:30 PM	Exam

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2024 - GOLD 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12

7:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Legislative Forum & Breakfast Door Prizes Sponsored by Oden Enterprises Menu: Breakfast Burritos & Fresh Fruit
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