

November 14, 2025



The Ninety-Three

2025 NACO Annual Conference - Registration Closes in ONE Week

Registration for the 2025 NACO Annual Conference closes on **Friday, November 21st at 11:59 PM - CST**. If you haven't already done so, please register now by [clicking here](#). Don't miss this opportunity to connect with your fellow county officials from around the state!

On Thursday, attendees can look forward to hearing from Governor Jim Pillen and NACO President JD Clark, a lineup of dynamic breakout sessions, lunch with senators, and great door prizes.

The conference wraps up on Friday morning with the NACO Legislative Forum. Don't miss the important discussions about the things that shape policy and impact counties. Stay until the end for another chance to win exciting door prizes!

Please coordinate with your county to ensure that you are not double-registering yourself or someone else. **If you have any questions about your registration, cancellation, or if you are registered twice, please contact Peggy.Brass@NebraskaCounties.org.** If you do not have a hotel room, please call 308-237-8813 or email youneshotels@gmail.com to check for availability.

Details about registration, hotel reservations, the agenda overview, and all other information relevant to attendees [can be found here](#). You can [view and download a DRAFT of the full agenda here](#). *Please note that this draft is subject to change.*

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What Are You "All In" On?

At the 2025 NACO Annual Conference, we're celebrating being "all in" as a 100% NACo membership state.

Whether it's public safety, infrastructure, economic development, or health and human services, counties are **all in** on delivering solutions and building stronger communities across Nebraska.

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What are you "All In" on?

I am **all in** on serving the constituents fully from start to finish with every interaction with our office. We need to own that interaction and as Coach Cook would say "better the ball." When a customer leaves our office, I want to see a constituent who was able to do their business or if there is an issue they understand what needs to be done to finish their transaction. Knowledge is key and we strive to education not only what we need but why.

This commitment is important to me because the constituent has entrusted us with taxpayer dollars and being a custodian for the county. We take this very seriously.

People want to be seen, heard, and recognized as part of our county and world. I want people to know not only are we here to register their vehicle, but also, we are here and **all in** when knowing them as individuals and their importance in carrying out our role as custodian of the county.

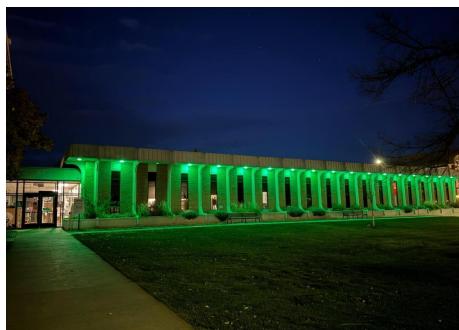
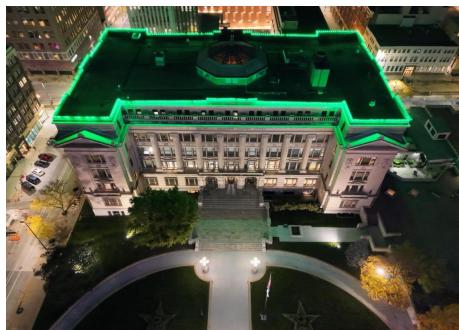
We show the community, county, and our constituents that we are **all in** by making sure they know we are here and continually work to understand their needs and better ourselves. I want people to leave our office knowing we are a trusted resource for anything they may have in their world.

- SHERI BRYANT
CUSTER COUNTY TREASURER

Nebraska Counties Participate in Operation Green Light

Thank you to everyone who participated in Operation Green Light for Veterans this year!









Legislative Interim Studies Schedule

The Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee will conduct interim study hearings on November 20 and 21 to review the retirement plans administered by the state ([LR96](#)) and underfunded defined benefit plans administered by political subdivisions that do not participate in state-administered retirement plans ([LR97](#)).

The Appropriations and Transportation and Telecommunications Committees will hear a report from the Nebraska Broadband Office on the status of broadband in Nebraska on December 4. The committee will also receive the Department of Transportation's Highway Needs Study Report.

Interim study resolutions are introduced during the regular legislative session to study issues following the adjournment. They provide an opportunity for a deeper dive into bills that were introduced during prior sessions, and some focus on ideas for bills to be introduced in 2026. Some hearings are limited to invited testimony, but public comments are accepted through the online comment button for each resolution. Some hearings will be livestreamed through [Nebraska Public Media](#).

From the Blog - IMLA 2025 Conference: Enhancing Legal Expertise & Collaboration for Nebraska Local Governments

NACO Legal Counsel Elaine Menzel attended the International Municipal Lawyers Association's 2025 Annual Conference in New Orleans. Head to our blog to read a recap where she shares valuable insights on the most pressing legal issues that counties face.

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Now Open: FY 2024 State and Local Cybersecurity

Grant – Applications Due December 7, 2025

We would like to invite counties interested in applying for the now-open FY 2024 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant (SLCG) opportunity. **Applications are open through December 7, 2025.**

This year's funding focuses on the Recovery Phase of the NIST SP 800-184 Cybersecurity Program, which emphasizes restoring systems and strengthening resilience following cyber incidents.

Program Goal and Objectives

Recover Systems

Objective 1.1: Ensure the ability to reconstitute systems in the event of a cyber incident.

Action: Develop organizational projects that increase backup and restoration capabilities.

Objective 1.2: Develop and assess logging practices and enhance logging.

Action: Implement projects focused on procuring SIEM tools or improving existing logging systems.

Objective 1.3: Map networks and data flows.

Action: Conduct mapping of organizational networks and data flows to identify vulnerabilities and dependencies.

Increase Response Activities

Objective 2.1: Develop and test cyber incident response plans.

Action: Conduct tabletop exercises to evaluate and improve response plans.

Objective 2.2: Strengthen stakeholder coordination.

Action: As part of incident response planning or exercises, coordinate interaction with both internal and external stakeholders.

Objective 2.3: Establish enterprise resiliency.

Action: Create out-of-band communications channels, off-site storage solutions, and infrastructure recovery plans; develop proactive, not reactive, cybersecurity strategies.

These objectives align with the Nebraska Cybersecurity Plan and are designed to enhance counties' readiness and recovery capabilities in the face of evolving cyber threats.

<https://slcg.nebraska.gov/docs/cybersecurity-plan.pdf>

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Please share this information with your designated cybersecurity department or service provider to determine whether this grant opportunity is a good fit for your county.

To apply, go to: <https://slcg.nebraska.gov/>

Help Promote the Live Healthy Program in Your Community

We're excited to share an opportunity for you to help enhance community health and wellbeing at no cost to the county. The National Association of Counties (NACo) Live Healthy Discount Program is a free initiative available to all NACo member counties. This easy-to-implement program is designed for residents who are uninsured, underinsured, or simply looking to reduce costs.

Some of the most commonly filled prescriptions include medications such as insulin, diabetic supplements, cardiovascular agents, and ibuprofen – used to manage conditions like diabetes, high blood pressure, and pain. The card is free to use, there is no limit on how many times it can be used, and there are no claim forms to fill out. Additionally, a portion of the funds will go directly to the county where the Live Healthy discount card was used to make a purchase.

Participation is free, and NACo provides all necessary materials.

Local leadership is the key to this program's success in your communities. Though NACo provides the tools, your involvement is the necessary next step. Whether you help distribute materials, share information at public events, or simply talk about it with your constituents, your support can help ensure the program reaches those who need it most.

To inquire about membership or to sign your county up for the Live Healthy Program, email livehealthy@naco.org. You can order materials personalized to your county by [clicking here](#). For NACo's How-To guide on your county's marketing efforts, [click here](#).

2026 NACO Business Memberships Now Available!

Support provided by our generous business members helps NACO continue to expand our educational programming for Nebraska county officials. Business members enjoy a number of benefits, including features on our website and social media pages. We also offer our business members a complimentary exhibit booth at the County Board Workshop, discounts on sponsorships, and 15% off the cost of booking our NACO West Training Center in Ogallala.

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