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Upcoming Events

[NWCA Spring Training](#)
Hastings, March 29-30, 2011

[Counties' Legislative Day](#)
State Capitol, Lincoln, April 7, 2011

[NAEM Conference](#)
Kearney, April 8-10, 2011

[Bridge Conference & Workshop](#)
Kearney, April 12-13, 2011

West Central District Meeting
North Platte, April 13, 2011

Panhandle District Meeting
Alliance, April 14, 2011

[2011 NJJA Conference](#)
Kearney, May 12-13, 2011

[WIR Conference](#)
Wenatchee, WA, May 18-20, 2011

[County Board of Equalization Workshop](#)
Kearney, May 26, 2011

Webinar to Address Youth Suicide Prevention

On March 29, 2011, at 2:00 PM CST, Well Aware will host a Webinar "Cyberbullying & Suicide," which examines bullying in the digital age and describes how schools can work to protect students and districts from the effects of cyberbullying. Click [here](#) for registration information.

2011 Bridge and Conference Workshop

The Nebraska LTAP in conjunction with the Nebraska Department of Roads-Bridge Division and Federal Highway Administration-Bridge Division will hold the 2011 Bridge and Conference Workshop on April 12-13, 2011 in Kearney. Attendees will be informed on topics of bridge regulations, construction, inspection, repair, and management. For agenda and registration information, click [here](#).

Nebraska State Records Board Grant Announcement

The Nebraska State Records Board has announced that grant program funds are once again available to county and municipal governments for the creation or enhancement of electronic access to public records. The application deadline is April 20, 2011. Click [here](#) for requirements and the application form, or visit the State Records Board website at www.staterecordsboard.ne.gov.

Nebraska Crime Commission Grant Applications Deadline

The deadline to apply for the Title V Delinquency Prevention and Juvenile Accountability Block (JABG) Grants is April, 15, 2011.

The applications and instructions can be accessed on the Crime Commission's website at <http://www.ncc.ne.gov>.

Nebraska State Historical Society to Coordinate Workshops Across the State

The Nebraska State Historical Society is coordinating four regional workshops through an IMLS grant entitled "Connecting to Collections" in the month of April. For agendas and additional information, click [here](#).

Education Foundation Memorial Program

A gift to NACO's Education Foundation ensures that the children of county officials and county employees are eligible to apply for scholarships to continue their education at Nebraska's higher education institutions. Whatever their passion – history, art, music, science, education, sports – the NACO Education Foundation will provide them an opportunity to fund their education beyond the K-12 level. Memorial gifts to NACO's Education Foundation are tax exempt and a lasting legacy in honor of your loved one's commitment to educating the children of Nebraska's county officials and county employees.

For more information about how to make a memorial gift, please contact [Jon Edwards](#) / 402-434-5660 ext. 227.



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Take Advantage of NACo's Web-based Education...

NACo Prescription Discount Card Program: Too Good to be True? 1,400 Counties Say it's That Good!

Wednesday, April 6, 2011

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM CST

NACo's Prescription Discount Card Program has now saved \$365 million on more than 30 million prescriptions nationwide in 1,400 counties. The program is a free exclusive membership benefit with all program resources and support provided free. Find out how easy it is to implement the program in your county so you can provide a "tough times" solution directly to your county residents. This is a NACo members only webinar.

Using A Neighborhood Rating System to Measure Sustainable Development

Thursday, March 31, 2011

1:00 PM - 2:15 PM CST

In this webinar, staff from NACo and the US Green Building Council will introduce the new LEED for Neighborhood Development Rating System (LEED-ND). Designed for sustainability staff, planners, and economic developers, this program will demonstrate how LEED-ND can be integrated with your local plans and regulations to support your overall sustainable development goals. To register, click [here](#).

Using SafeRoadMaps to Reduce Road Crashes and Fatalities

Thursday, April 7, 2011

1:00 PM - 2:15 PM CST

Find out how SafeRoadMaps, an interactive crash-mapping tool, can be used to review information about crashes. You can view images of crash locations as well as examine crash details and notes on public policies employed in a given area. During this webinar, County Engineers and Transportation Officials will describe how they use SafeRoadMaps to identify rural areas with high crash and fatality rates so that they can implement appropriate measures in those areas. To register, click [here](#).

For more information on these, other upcoming and previous webinars, visit the NACo [Web-based Education](#) page.

NACo Accepting Applications for the 2011 County Courthouse Awards

Applications for the 2011 NACo County Courthouse Awards program are available. The County Courthouse Awards program is sponsored by Siemens and recognizes innovative governance by county elected officials from NACo Member counties. Award winners will receive an engraved plaque that they can display in their county, recognition at the 2011 NACo Annual Conference and a \$5000 college scholarship to present to a graduating high school senior. Awards will be given out in three categories: rural, suburban and urban. All NACo members are encouraged to apply. Applications must be received by April 29, 2011. For additional information, click [here](#).



NACo Rail Conference Announced

Make plans now to attend the 2011 Rail Conference "Moving Freight and Passengers in the 21st Century," in Lisle/Naperville, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago, April 27-29.

Sponsored by NACo, NLC, ASSHTO, NARC and APTA, this conference will focus on the impact of freight and passenger rail on county, city and state governments and their citizens and businesses. It will look at the movement of freight in the urban, suburban and rural communities of the United States and discuss who will pay to modernize and expand passenger and freight rail systems. For more information and to register, click [here](#).



This year's Western Interstate Region Conference will take place May 18-20 in Chelan County/Wenatchee, Washington, and will focus on public lands and other issues critical to the western region of the United States. It provides county officials with the opportunity to hear speakers, discuss legislation, and network with other officials to exchange information on those issues. Save by registering before April 6! For additional information and registration, click [here](#).



Register now for NACo's 76th Annual Conference and Exposition. Plan to attend this year's event in Multnomah County/Portland, Oregon, July 15-19. Featured speaker will be Aron Ralston, the subject of the movie "127 Hours." For additional information and registration, click [here](#).



National County Government Month (NCGM) is celebrated each April by the nation's counties to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of county government. The 2011 theme is "Serving Our Veterans, Armed Forces and Their Families."

For additional information and to get useful tools in promoting this year's NCGM, click [here](#).

If you are aware of any news that may be of interest, please let us know

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