

NACO E-Line



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Meet Mike Boden

"Greetings! My name is Mike Boden and I was born and partially raised in Texas. I have been in Nebraska since 1980 and in Lincoln since 1990. My wife is an educator here in Lincoln. In fact, she works at McPhee Elementary, just about 2 blocks from the NACO office. I have three children with the youngest one being a senior at Southeast High School. I enjoy playing golf, fishing and most outdoor activities (I'm not very fond of shoveling snow).

I have been fortunate to work with NACO and many of the Nebraska counties over the years. With my new role as the Benefit Services Manager, I feel like I'm now formally a part of the NACO family!"

Your County, Through the Lens

Every E-Line will feature a photograph submitted by one of our readers of their county. If you'd like to submit a photo for our E-Line, please email Tess.Mayer@nebraskacounties.org



Sioux County, submitted by Josh Skavdahl

2021 Outstanding County Board Member of the Year

Let us know who you think deserves to be recognized for the work they're doing for their community. The Outstanding County Board Member Award is open to county board members who have been in office for at least four terms. Applications are due April 30, 2021.

[Click here to submit a nomination](#)

Continuing Education Opportunities

NACO and UNL are excited to bring you The County Official Online Learning Network. The

COOL Network is a continuing education opportunity which will help boost your knowledge of county government, develop leadership skills, and create a network of county officials across the state. Series One is closed due to full enrollment, but you can still enroll in Series Two or Three. We will offer all three Series again in the fall. Thank you so much

NACO AND UNL EXTENSION PRESENT:

THE COOL NETWORK

County Official Online Learning Network

- INCREASE KNOWLEDGE OF THE PURPOSE, STRUCTURE, AND FUNDING OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT
- DEVELOP LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- NETWORK WITH OTHER COUNTY OFFICIALS



for your enthusiasm and support!

Click here to enroll in The COOL Network

By participating in the NACO Institute of Excellence, all county officials have the opportunity to explore adaptive work concepts, develop problem solving and decision making skills pertinent to county leadership roles and gain new perspectives through networking.



Enroll here for the 2021 Institute of Excellence

2021 Scholarship Opportunity

In 2020, NACO awarded \$13,000 in scholarships to promising Nebraska seniors. Applications for the 2021 NACO Scholarships and 2021 Ronda L. Dix Memorial Scholarship are being accepted through March 1.

For more information on eligibility or to apply, click here.

Flag Retirement Boxes

NACO has partnered with the National Association of Counties to provide Nebraska counties with a free flag collection box to aide residents to properly dispose of worn U.S. flags.

Flag boxes will be distributed by NACO at spring District Meetings.

U.S. Flag Etiquette Program

5 Steps to Launch Your Initiative

Thanks to the partnership with National Association of Counties (NACo) and the Nebraska Association of County Officials, we're proud to provide a custom flag retirement box to every county in Nebraska.

Here are 5 steps to launch your flag retirement program:

- 1 ARRANGE FOR FLAG COLLECTION** – Many local organizations, like Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, veterans groups and sheriffs' departments, regularly hold flag retirement ceremonies. Identify and partner with a group to be responsible for emptying the flag box and retiring the flags in the proper manner.
- 2 DISPLAY THE BOX** – Find a location for the flag disposal box that is both secure and easily accessible. The box is durable but recommended for indoor use.
- 3 ALERT THE PUBLIC** – Announce the box's availability and location to residents through local news, social media and other forms of communication. NACo has a press release template to help announce your flag retirement program, which can be accessed at www.naco.org/NEFlagRollout.
- 4 PROMOTE PROPER FLAG RETIREMENT** – Ensure your residents understand the importance of U.S. Flag care. NACo offers more information on the U.S. flag code, social media posts and flag retirement promotion at www.NACo.org/flag.
- 5 MONITOR THE BOX** – Assign someone, either in the county or a partner, to regularly check the condition of the box. When the box is no longer suitable for use, it can be recycled.



Thank you for the partnership.

NACo delivers unmatched member value to America's 3,069 counties, boroughs and parishes.

To learn more about membership or if you have additional questions about launching your Flag Retirement Program, please contact flag@naco.org, or visit www.naco.org for resources and information.



Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act Credit (LB1107)

The Nebraska School District Property Tax Look up Tool link is now available on the NACO website. The look up tool is available to assist income tax preparers in determining the qualifying school district property taxes paid on a parcel in 2020 calendar year.

[Click here to learn more about the tool](#)

2021 Membership and Sponsorship Opportunities

The NACO membership program is seeking sponsors for 2021.

The NACO Membership Program provides representatives of the private sector opportunities to become members of the NACO Network through contributions that facilitate our programs.

Want to nominate a company to become a member? Send an email to Tess.Mayer@nebraskacounties.org explaining why they would make a great addition to the NACO Network.

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