### 2011 National Association of Counties Voting Credentials

If you are planning on attending the National Association of Counties Annual Conference in July you will need to fill out the credentials packet.

NACo is preparing for the 76th Annual Conference to be held July 15-19, 2011, in Multnomah County, Oregon. If you plan on attending, it is important that you review the documents below. The NACo 2011 Credentials (Voting) Identification Form (page 7 of the 2011 Voting Credentials) must be filled out and returned to the NACo office by July 1, 2011. In addition, please send a copy to the NACO office, attention Larry Dix, 625 S. 14th St, Suite 200, Lincoln, NE 68508, via fax at 402-434-5673, or via email to larrydix@nacone.org.

**2011 Credentials Info Packet** (PDF)

**State Report 2011** (PDF)

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### County Board of Equalization Handbooks

Handbooks from the 2011 County Board of Equalization Workshop are available for $30.00 plus $5.00 shipping and handling. If you would like to order one, please contact De at either 402-434-5660 ext. 223 or dtroxel@nacone.org.

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### Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund Grant Pre-Applications Being Accepted

The Nebraska Public Service Commission has announced a pre-application period for counties and municipalities wishing to apply for grants from the Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund (NIEF). Click here to view the news release or visit the Nebraska Public Service Commission website here.

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### OJJDP Announces FY 2011 Funding Opportunities

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) has announced the following funding opportunities:

- **Family Drug Court Programs**
- **National Juvenile Probation Census Project**

To obtain further information about the above and other current OJJDP solicitations, including eligibility criteria, application deadlines, and frequently asked questions, visit the OJJDP funding opportunities webpage here.

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### Proposed Rule Amendments on Adult Guardianships and Conservatorships
As a result of a study by the 2010 Nebraska Supreme Court Review Committee, proposed rule amendments on Adult Guardianships and Conservatorships have been drafted. Interested parties are invited to comment on the proposed rule amendments until August 1, 2011.

To view the full text of the proposed new rules and additional information regarding the comment period, click here.

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News Across the State

Board reaffirms pipeline support
Omaha World Herald, 5/26/11

Buffalo County Sheriff says time had come to form color guard
Kearney Hub, 5/30/11

Adult Drug Court celebrates 10th Anniversary and 200th Graduate
Journal Star, 5/31/11

Sarpy deputies help out in Joplin
Omaha World Herald, 6/1/11

County jail declared ready for occupation
North Platte Telegraph, 6/1/11

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NACo Web-based Education

Green Infrastructure in Your Backyard: Central Area
Thursday, June 9, 2011
1:00 PM - 2:15 PM CDT

Green infrastructure refers to a planned and managed system of green spaces, greenways and natural lands. These land improve water quality and wildlife habitat, as well as provide opportunities for outdoor recreation/tourism. Green Infrastructure has been utilized by counties to address regional issues, such as flooding, drought, stormwater runoff, and habitat fragmentation. Join the webinar to learn how counties in the Central region are utilizing green infrastructure principles to minimize flooding along large rivers. Register here.

Helping Counties Recover from Homeowner Foreclosures: Neighborhood Stabilization Program
Thursday, June 16, 2011
1:00 PM - 2:15 PM CDT

The negative impact of foreclosure on communities is far reaching. Not only have people lost homes, but communities are also suffering economically, physically and socially. During this webinar you'll hear about the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), a federal program that is helping county governments recover from the impacts of home foreclosures. You'll also hear from counties that received funding from NSP to implement foreclosure redevelopment efforts in their communities. Find out how you can apply this information to benefit your county. Register here.

Newly Elected Officials and New Members: Learn How You can Save Money and Time through Exclusive NACo Programs
Wednesday, June 29, 2011
1:00 PM - 2:15 PM CDT
Your NACo membership includes a multitude of free exclusive membership benefit programs and resources. Find out how easy it is to take advantage of money saving and time saving benefits so that you can provide “tough times” solutions directly to your county and its residents. This is a NACo Members Only webinar. You must log in to the Member Center to register.

**Let's Move Initiative: Learn How Your County Can Join**

**Thursday, June 30, 2011**

1:00 PM - 2:15 PM CDT

Find out how your county can participate in First Lady Michelle Obama's Let's Move Initiative. Joining Let's Move will assist your county's existing health promotion strategies or help expand local efforts to promote active living and healthy eating. You'll hear how your county can formally join the initiative and learn about program and policy options to promote healthy counties. Register [here](#).

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

**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 learning 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 employees. For more information about how to make a memorial gift, please contact Jon Edwards / 402-434-5660 ext. 227.