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Upcoming Events

- NACO WIR Conference**
Billings, MT, May 26-28, 2010
- NACO Budget Workshop**
Kearney, May 27, 2010
- Clerks, Election Commissioners & Register of Deeds Workshop**
North Platte, June 9-11, 2010
- Clerks of District Court Workshop**
Omaha, June 9-11, 2010
- Treasurers Workshop**
Nebraska City, June 15-17, 2010
- NACO Annual Conference**
Reno, NV, July 16-20, 2010

NACO 2010-2011 Steering Committee Nomination

Do you want a voice in creating the national legislative policies of the National Association of Counties? Then consider filling out a NACO nomination form to be appointed to one of their eleven steering committees, (Agriculture and Rural Affairs; Community and Economic Development; Environment, Energy and Land Use; Finance and Intergovernmental Affairs; Health; Human Services and Education; Justice and Public Safety; Labor and Employment; Public Lands; Telecommunications and Technology; and Transportation).

The nomination process for membership on NACO policy steering committees is underway. As a NACO steering committee member, you are responsible for debating and creating national policies and priorities affecting counties and serve as NACO's front line in their grassroots efforts. Committees meet at the NACO legislative and annual conferences and one other time during the year. You will be responsible for your own travel.

I have attached a link to the nomination form. Please be as thorough as possible in completing the nomination and grassroots forms and send it to me at NACO by June 1, 2010. The State Association President and NACO Board Member from the state must concur with this nomination. The nominations are then sent to NACO to be processed for approval by the incoming NACO President after the NACO Annual Conference in July. NACO will announce if you receive an appointment in September 2010.

Please contact Larry Dix at NACO if you have any questions.

[2010-2011 Steering Committee Nomination Form \(PDF\)](#)

Register for the NACO Budget Workshop—May 27th

[Tentative agenda](#) and [registration](#) information is now available on the NACO website for the 2010 NACO Budget Workshop to be held Thursday, May 27 in Kearney.

County officials can benefit from this biennial workshop that will provide an overview of the budget process. The deadline for early registration is May 14.

The NACO & MIPS offices will be closed on Friday, April 30th in observance of Arbor Day



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Upcoming Webinars...



NACo Webinar Series: “Public Safety Interoperable Communications”

This series of four webinars is designed for county officials and staff responsible for leading emergency response to public threats and disasters. Follow the link to register once for the complete series. Each webinar is scheduled for Tuesday from 1 – 2:15 pm CDT.

April 27: “Governance for Interoperable Communications at the Regional Level”

May 18: “Model Practices Engaged by Counties and Cities for Interoperable Communications”

May 25: “Grants and Funding for Interoperable Communications”

Keeping the Mentally Ill Out of Jail: Sequential Intercept Model 101

Thursday, April 29

1-2:15 p.m. CDT

The Sequential Intercept Model, developed by the National GAINS Center, is a comprehensive model for diverting people with mental illness from jails by demonstrating ways to intervene at each point in the criminal justice system, starting with law enforcement and ending with reentry. Learn the basic concepts of the Sequential Intercept Model and hear how Allegheny County adapted this model to fit their county’s local diversion needs. Find out how these diversion efforts ultimately impact jail population management, and ultimately impact county budgets.

Leadership Series: What’s Your Purpose? – How a Well Defined Mission Statement Keeps You on Track

Thursday, May 6

1-2:30 p.m. CDT

Keeping your goals and needs in line with the demands of your office can be futile without a clear statement of personal mission. Attend this webinar to affirm the skills and roles that matter most to you and learn how to draft a personal mission statement that you can use as your “true north” when other indicators fail. Keith Niemann, on loan to NACo from University of Nebraska Extension Program, will demonstrate the value of a process for creating and updating your individual mission statement.

For more information on these webinars and other upcoming webinars, click [here](#).

NACo Accepting Applications for the 2010 County Courthouse Awards

Applications for the 2010 NACo County Courthouse Awards program are [now 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 2010 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 May 7, 2010.

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

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