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Upcoming Events

- NACo Legislative Conference**
Washington, D.C., March 5-9, 2011
- Southeast District Meeting
Mahoney Park, March 10, 2011
- Central District Meeting
Grand Island, March 17, 2011
- Northeast District Meeting
Norfolk, March 18, 2011
- NWCA Spring Training**
Hastings, March 29-30, 2011
- Counties' Legislative Day
State Capitol, Lincoln, April 7, 2011
- NAEM Conference
Kearney, April 8-10, 2011
- West Central District Meeting
North Platte, April 13, 2011
- Panhandle District Meeting
Alliance, April 14, 2011
- WIR Conference
Wenatchee, WA, May 18-20, 2011
- County Board of Equalization Workshop
Kearney, May 26, 2011

Counties' Legislative Day is April 7th

Make plans to attend Counties' Legislative Day on April 7th in Lincoln. County officials will have an opportunity to view the Legislature while in session as well as meet with state senators. Lunch will be served at the Cornhusker Marriott and all senators will be invited to attend. This is a great opportunity to discuss issues affecting county government with your senator.

NACO Scholarship Program

Nebraska high school seniors who are the children or stepchildren of county officials or employees are encouraged to apply for one of twelve \$1000 NACO scholarships. Additional information and the downloadable [application](#) can be found under the 'Services' tab on the NACO website. The scholarship deadline is **Tuesday, March 1, 2011**.

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.staterrecordsboard.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>.



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2011 Directory of County Officials

The order form for the NACO 2011 Directory of County Officials is available [online](#). Each directory is \$16/tax-exempt and \$17/taxable.

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



Rural Counties and Health Reform: Community Health Needs Assessment

Thursday, March 24, 2011

1:00 PM - 2:15 PM CST

County officials and local health departments can be actively engaged in community health needs assessments, which the Affordable Care Act requires nonprofit hospitals to conduct to demonstrate they are taking on uncompensated care in their communities. Learn the basic principles of community health needs assessments, how to ensure that the local health care safety net burden is shared and about a new template designed specifically for rural areas to meet the law's requirements. To register, click [here](#).

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](#).

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 now available at <http://www.naco.org/programs/recognition/>. 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**. Contact: Dalen Harris or Erik Johnston at (202) 393-6226 or dharris@naco.org or ejohnston@naco.org.



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 even in Multnomah County/Portland, Oregon, July 15-19. Featured speaker will be Aron Ralston, the subject of the movie "127 Hours," who amputated an arm to free himself when trapped by a boulder while hiking. For additional information and registration, click [here](#).

News Across the State...

Links are to outside sources and may not be available indefinitely

[Jail makes a little bit of money](#)

Kearney Hub, 2/19/11

[Review: Voting machines accurate](#)

Omaha World Herald, 2/22/11

[Bill eliminating city, county and NRD aid clears second round](#)

Unicameral Update, 2/24/11

[Board members tour 911 dispatch center](#)

Fremont Tribune, 2/24/11



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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