2022 NACo Annual Conference & Exposition

Schedule as of: 05/03/2022

All times are listed in Mountain Time. Schedule subject to change without notice.

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

Jul. 20

Golf Outing

10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Join other conference attendees for a round of golf at the Adams County-owned Riverdale Dunes golf course! Tee times range from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Jul. 20

11:00 am to 5:30 pm

CIO Forum: Emergence: Going Forward Stronger and Better

(Separate registration required)

This all-day event includes topics on digital transformation, removing barriers, creating builders for the future and success stories from counties using technology to improve service delivery for internal operations and county residents.

Jul. 20

CIO Forum Reception (Separate registration Required)

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Thursday, July 21, 2022

Jul. 21

Registration Open

7:00 am to 5:00 pm

Jul. 21

Voting Help Desk Open

7:00 am to 5:00 pm

First-Time Attendee Orientation

7:45 am to 8:45 am

All first-time attendees are welcome to join us to learn more about NACo and how to make the most of the Annual Conference. Due to limited space, this session is open to county officials and staff attending their first NACo conference.

Jul. 21

Jul. 21

Policy Coordinating Committee Meeting #1

8:00 am to 9:00 am

Agriculture and Rural Affairs Policy Steering Committee:

9:00 am to 11:30 am

Subcommittees Meeting

Join the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee to hear from federal and industry partners on important issues. Members will explore and discuss committee priorities as they relate to federal policymaking including the 2023 Farm Bill and regulations such as Waters of the U.S.

Jul. 21

Environment, Energy and Land Use Policy Steering Committee: Subcommittees Meeting

9:00 am to 11:30 am

Join the Environment, Energy & Land Use Policy Steering Committee for discussions with national policy experts to learn more about issues important to the committee, including the Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) rulemaking process, the implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and innovations in the energy field.

Jul. 21

Justice and Public Safety Policy Steering Committee: Subcommittees Meeting

9:00 am to 11:30 am

Join the Justice and Public Safety Policy Steering Committee for discussions with our federal and industry partners.

Jul. 21

Telecommunications and Technology Policy Steering Committee: Morning Meeting

9:00 am to 11:30 am

Join the Telecommunication & Technology Policy Steering Committee for discussions on major developments in broadband and cellular policy, cybersecurity best practices and updates and other national policy issues of interest to this committee.

Health Policy Steering Committee: Subcommittees Meeting

9:00 am to 11:45 am

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join the Health Steering Committee to hear from federal and industry partners on important health policy issues and best practices related to health care, public health, behavioral and mental health and long-term care.

Jul. 21

Public Lands Policy Steering Committee: Subcommittees Meeting

Join the Public Lands Policy Steering Committee for discussions with federal land management agencies on better management, wildfire risk reduction, public access and economic opportunities.

Jul. 21

Transportation Policy Steering Committee: Subcommittees Meeting

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Join the Transportation Policy Steering Committee for discussions with our federal and industry partners and learn more about transportation topics of interest.

Jul. 21 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Human Services and Education Policy Steering Committee Site Visit and Business Meeting

The Human Services and Education Policy Steering Committee will convene at the Adams County Human Services Center for an interactive tour and an overview of innovative human services programs. Along with presentations from our hosts, committee members will discuss the future of human service delivery and receive a federal policy update on key priorities. Members will consider and vote on proposed policy resolutions and platform changes to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress, the White House and federal agencies. Before returning to the Gaylord, the committee will visit Adams County's Homes for Hope emergency foster homes. Note: This full-day meeting will occur off-site. Transportation and lunch will be provided.

Jul. 21 **9:30** am to **11:45** am

Community, Economic and Workforce Development Policy Steering Committee: Subcommittees Meeting

Join the Community, Economic & Workforce Development Policy Steering Committee for discussions with our federal and industry partners to learn more about topics of interest to the committee, including housing affordability, homelessness, economic development, job training and federal workforce development programs.

9:30 am to 12:00 pm

Finance, Pensions and Intergovernmental Affairs Steering Committee: Subcommittees Meeting

Join the Finance, Pensions and Intergovernmental Affairs Policy Steering Committee for discussions on major developments in county best practices and national policy issues of interest to the committee, such as the financial resources of counties, fiscal management, federal assistance, municipal borrowing, county revenues, federal budget, federal tax reform, elections and Native American issues.

Jul. 21

NACo Audit Committee Meeting

10:30 am to 11:30 am

Jul. 21

NACo Finance Committee Meeting

12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

Jul. 21

Environment, Energy and Land Use Policy Steering Committee: Business Meeting

1:00 pm to 4:30 pm

NACo's Environment, Energy and Land Use Policy Steering Committee members will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Jul. 21

Finance, Pensions and Intergovernmental Affairs Steering Committee: Business Meeting

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

NACo's Finance, Pensions and Intergovernmental Affairs Policy Steering Committee will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Jul. 21

Telecommunications and Technology Policy Steering Committee: Business Meeting

1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

NACo's Telecommunication & Technology Policy Steering Committee will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Agriculture and Rural Affairs Policy Steering Committee:

1:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Business Meeting

NACo's Agriculture and Rural Affairs Policy Steering Committee members will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Jul. 21

Justice and Public Safety Policy Steering Committee:

1:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Business Meeting

NACo's Justice and Public Safety Policy Steering Committee will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Jul. 21

Health Policy Steering Committee: Business Meeting

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

NACo's Health Policy Steering Committee will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Jul. 21

Public Lands Policy Steering Committee: Business Meeting

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Join the Public Lands Policy Steering Committee for discussions on proposed policy resolutions and platform changes that will guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022-2023 term.

Jul. 21

Transportation Policy Steering Committee Meeting:

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Business Meeting

NACo's TransportationPolicy Steering Committee will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Jul. 21

Community, Economic and Workforce Development Policy

2:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Steering Committee: Business Meeting

NACo's Community, Economic and Workforce Development Policy Steering Committee will consider and vote on policy resolutions that will be used to guide NACo's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration during the 2022 – 2023 term.

Exhibit Hall Open

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Network, learn and discover new solutions for your county with over 100 different

private, non-profit and government partners in NACo's Exhibition Hall.

Jul. 21

County Talk Segments

4:15 pm to 5:45 pm

County Talks - delivered in the Exhibit Hall - will bring attendees short, engaging presentations on some of the latest innovations, challenges and opportunities facing county governments.

Jul. 21

NACo Next Generation Network Meeting

4:30 pm to 5:30 pm

NACo's Next Generation Network is a grassroots forum for young county officials to network, engage with NACo and develop a new generation of association leaders.

Jul. 21

Policy Coordinating Committee Meeting #2

5:00 pm to 5:45 pm

Jul. 21

All-Conference Opening Celebration

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Friday, July 22, 2022

Bike Ride with Adams County

6:00 am to 7:30 am

Jul. 22

Registration Open

7:30 am to 5:00 pm

Jul. 22

Voting Help Desk Open

7:30 am to 5:00 pm

Jul. 22

GIS Subcommittee Meeting

8:00 am to 9:30 am

The GIS Subcommittee will discuss emerging GIS use cases including FirstNet, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and mission critical partner updates on GIS gap analysis and drone policy changes.

Gulf States Counties and Parishes Caucus Meeting

8:00 am to 10:00 am

Hear from policy experts on pressing federal issues impacting Gulf Coast counties and parishes. Caucus members will also discuss federal legislative priorities and strategize for future GSCPC events and initiatives. Caucus membership is open to all NACo county and parish government officials from Texas, Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama and Florida.

Jul. 22

NACo Store & Resource Center Open

8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Jul. 22

Programs and Services Committee Meeting

8:30 am to 9:30 am

Conference attendees are welcome to attend this meeting of NACo's Programs and Services Standing Committee, which advises the association's officers and Board of Directors regarding the development and evaluation of programs and services for NACo members. This meeting will feature lessons learned on pandemic preparedness to inform NACo programming and a preview of NACo programs areas in development. Committee members will provide feedback to NACo to help maximize the impact of these initiatives and help shape NACo's current and future programming.

Jul. 22

Exhibit Hall Open

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

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Jul. 22

County Talk Segments

9:15 am to 2:45 pm

County Talks - delivered in the Exhibit Hall - will bring attendees short, engaging presentations on some of the latest innovations, challenges and opportunities facing county governments.

Jul. 22

IT Standing Committee Meeting

9:45 am to 11:30 am

The IT Standing Committee will discuss updates concerning NACo technology programs, including the Security ScoreCard pilot results, the new Cyber and GIS Technology Guides for County Leaders and hear from national partners including the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center, the Cyber Security and Infrastructure Security Agency, the FBI and the National Guard.

Large Urban County Caucus Meeting

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

NACo's Large Urban County Caucus meeting will feature conversations with national leaders on topics of importance to urban county leaders, including economic trends, elections, mental and behavioral health and a spotlight on the Urban Wealth Fund Initiative.

Jul. 22

Rural Action Caucus Meeting

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

NACo's Rural Action Caucus will convene to discuss issues important to rural America and to hear from guest speakers who are helping to shape policies important to rural communities.

Jul. 22

Nominating Committee Meeting

10:45 am to 11:30 am

Jul. 22

IT Advisory Council Meeting & Luncheon (Invitation Only)

11:30 am to 1:15 pm

The IT Advisory Council focuses on providing direct guidance into the idea generation and evaluation of NACo technology strategy, priorities, programming and services. Membership includes predominantly county IT leaders (CIOs, CISOs, IT Directors) and several other county representatives.

Jul. 22

Lunch in the Exhibit Hall

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Jul. 22

Healthy Counties Advisory Board Luncheon

12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

The Healthy Counties Advisory Board will discuss strategies for equitably addressing systems that impact the social determinants of health, particularly emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic. County leaders will share how they are addressing health in our communities and discuss approaches for using social determinants of health as a framework to inform policy decisions.

Jul. 22

NACo Membership Committee Meeting

12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

Veterans and Military Services Committee Meeting

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

The Veterans and Military Services Committee will discuss intergovernmental efforts to best serve our nation's veterans. Representatives from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs will discuss their mobile veterans center program, which brings outreach and readjustment counseling to hard-to-reach communities. Committee members will also learn about an innovative regional veterans services model and engage with active duty service members from Fort Carson on the topic of military transition.

Jul. 22

Western Interstate Regional Board of Directors Meeting

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

The Western Interstate Region is dedicated to the promotion of Western interests within NACo, including public land issues (use and conservation), community stability and economic development, and the promotion of the traditional western way of life. WIR Board Members will discuss the implementation of the new infrastructure law, and the western drought and forest management issues.

Jul. 22

Jul. 22

NACo Arts & Culture Commission Meeting

1:15 pm to 2:45 pm

The Arts and Culture Commission will hear from expert speakers and commission members on leveraging the creative arts as an economic driver at the county level. This meeting is hosted by the NACo Arts and Culture Commission and is open to all.

1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

Becoming an Employer of Choice: Leveraging Benefits to Attract Talent in a Tight Labor Market

Cultivating an engaged and thriving workforce is critical to ensuring your county serves the public to the best of your ability. Join this session to learn from industry experts on best practices for attracting quality talent, including leveraging retention benefits, to keep your county running seamlessly and in continuous pursuit of public service.

Jul. 22

Counties for Kids: Celebrating County Leadership in Prenatal-to-Three

1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

During the COVID-19 pandemic, our youngest children and their families have dealt with economic challenges, disruptions to child care and increased levels of stress. Counties are supporting children prenatal to three during this critical period of development by investing in and administering services and resources. In this session, participants will hear how county leaders are filling service gaps and strengthening the systems that support early care and education and infant/toddler well-being.

1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

County Levers to Drive Economic Mobility: Tools for Counties to Create Outcomes for Residents

As counties navigate the local economic recovery process following the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, many leaders are looking to improve long-term economic outcomes for residents and families. Learn how counties can influence upward economic mobility in seven key policy areas: housing, education and workforce development, health, community and neighborhood development, justice and public safety, technology and information access and financial security. This session will also present data metrics to measure and track policy impacts on resident prosperity. This workshop is hosted by NACo's Economic Mobility Leadership Network.

Jul. 22

1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

Digitizing Your County: Efficient and Effective Workplace Solutions that Deliver Quality Citizen Services

The past two years have catapulted available technology advances for counties. In this session you will hear how counties have implemented solutions that promote digital citizen interaction, remote employee access, while at the same time digitizing and preserving records management for today and the future. This session will cover the digital lifecycle from remote employee processes to digital citizen engagement and transparency.

Jul. 22

Leveraging Technology for Today's Modern County Government

1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

The emergence and availability of new technologies is changing the way county government performs many core functions. Hear about programs and partnerships developed by NACo's Financial Services Corporation (FSC) that provide value added services in the realm of financial technology solutions, or fintech. You will learn from the challenges faced by your county peers and how they have leveraged these innovative programs to maximize value on taxpayer revenues and drive modern, transparent budgeting processes.

Jul. 22

NACo Board Forum

1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

Jul. 22

Parks Prepare Post-Pandemic Pivot

1:45 pm to 3:00 pm

County parks saw a renewed interest during and after the height of the pandemic, which brought renewed interest in the design and programmatic offerings for outdoor space. Professionals in all aspects will discuss what they've seen locally and industry-wide.

Jul. 22

General Session

3:15 pm to 4:30 pm

NACo 2nd Vice President Candidates' Forum

4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Jul. 22

Resorts, Tourism & Gateway Counties Working Group

4:45 pm to 5:45 pm

The Resorts, Tourism and Gateway Counties Working Group will hear from a panel of county officials and others about what selected counties are doing to ensure sustainable tourism and responsible recreation in their communities.

Jul. 22

NACo Board of Directors Reception (Invitation Only)

6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Saturday, July 23, 2022

Jul. 23

Voting Help Desk Open - State Association Pick-Up Only

7:30 am to 1:00 pm

Jul. 23

Registration Open

7:30 am to 5:00 pm

Jul. 23

NACo Credentials Committee Meeting

8:00 am to 8:45 am

Jul. 23

Collections, Cashflow & Coffee

8:45 am to 10:00 am

Could your county improve in the areas of collections, transparent budgeting, or cash flow? Come hear about programs and partnerships developed by NACo's Financial Services Corporation (FSC) that provide value-added services for financial technology solutions. Understand the challenges faced by your county peers and methods to effectively address them under NACo FSC's solution portfolio.

Jul. 23

8:45 am to 10:00 am

Connecting Counties & Military Installations: Supporting National Defense & Strengthening Local Communities

This session will bring together county leaders from military installation counties and officials from the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) for an interactive and informative session focusing on opportunities, resources and ideas to foster and strengthen county-military partnerships. Discussion will include county-military partnerships on land use, resilience, economic development, and community engagement and development.

8:45 am to 10:00 am

County Governance & Authority Across America: A Landscape Analysis

County governments play an integral role in the everyday lives of residents, yet counties are arguably the least understood level of government in the U.S. This dearth of knowledge is due in part to wide variations in county governance across state lines, which can also make it difficult for counties to build partnerships with each other. Learn how to navigate these differences and build stronger relationships with counties in other states, as well as how NACo's new state-level county governance profiles can aid your advocacy, communication and educational efforts.

Jul. 23

Enhancing Employee Well-Being and Retention

8:45 am to 10:00 am

Nearly 1 in 5 adults in the U.S. lives with mental illness, and increasingly employees are expecting employers to provide additional mental and behavioral health support. This session will equip county leaders with the skills and knowledge necessary to identify signs of mental health and substance use challenges within the county workforce and discuss solutions, such as Mental Health First Aid, that will aid with talent retention.

Jul. 23

8:45 am to 10:00 am

Federal Policy Lightning Round Update: Outlook on the 118th Congress

Join NACo's Government Affairs staff for an update on the most pressing county issues in front of the 118th Congress and administration for the 2022-2023 term.

Jul. 23

8:45 am to 10:00 am

Identifying and Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Justice System

Counties are pursuing efforts that often include understanding the drivers of inequities, examining baseline data, monitoring progress, funding community-led organizations and centering the voices of community members. In this session, attendees will learn about the strategies counties are using to achieve racial equity in the criminal legal system.

Jul. 23

8:45 am to 10:00 am

Leveraging Community Assets to Promote an Equitable Recovery in Rural America

All rural communities have assets that can lead to shared economic prosperity for their residents if appropriately leveraged. Participants in this session will learn about a new framework and tool for identifying assets and fostering economic prosperity in rural America. Rural counties from across the nation will also spotlight their experiences in leveraging assets for economic development.

Strategies for an Equitable Investment of Recovery Funds

8:45 am to 10:00 am

As counties recover from the pandemic, there is a growing opportunity to leverage Recovery Fund dollars for an equitable recovery. Engage in a discussion about national investment trends, county solutions, challenges and strategies to foster recovery across all of our nation's communities.

Jul. 23

Exhibit Hall Open

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

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Jul. 23

NACo Board of Directors Meeting

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Jul. 23

America Works: Investing Federal Funding in Community Workforce Development

10:30 am to 11:45 am

For county leaders in the process of rebuilding and retraining local workforces impacted by COVID-19, the American Rescue Plan's Recovery Fund provides a key funding source. Other federal programs and provisions in ARPA, however, can be combined with the Recovery Fund to increase the impact of these investments. Learn about these various funding streams and how fellow county leaders are braiding them together to invest in connecting youth to jobs, retraining older workers, partnering with colleges, providing wraparound services through nonprofits and other key aspects of workforce development.

Jul. 23

Celebrating County Opioid Litigation Wins and Planning for What's Next

10:30 am to 11:45 am

In February 2022, drug manufacturer Johnson & Johnson and three major distributors (McKesson, Cardinal Health and AmerisourceBergen) finalized multilitigant settlements over their roles in the opioid crisis. The \$26 billion award was nearly doubled from the original base payout in large part due to the action and participation of local governments. This session will celebrate the role of counties in holding opioid manufacturers and distributors accountable and unveil new NACo resources for maximizing the use of these and other funds for opioid remediation.

Jul. 23

Fostering Effective Intergovernmental Partnerships to Maximize Outcomes

10:30 am to 11:45 am

Counties are leveraging partnerships across jurisdictional lines and levels of government to maximize the impact of ARPA resources. This session will provide a framework for fostering effective intergovernmental partnerships with key examples of those partnerships at work.

Income for Life in Retirement

10:30 am to 11:45 am

Nationwide's suite of In-Plan Guarantee solutions is an important part of the Nationwide Advantage, where needed retirement solutions are provided to our plan sponsors and participants that go above and beyond just record keeping services. Income America 5ForLife and Lifetime Income Builder are two of those solutions that plans can choose to provide Guaranteed Lifetime Income throughout a participant's retirement years. Learn how you and your employees can benefit from these Guaranteed Lifetime Income solutions.

Jul. 23

Investing in Local Infrastructure: Tips for Leveraging Federal Funding

10:30 am to 11:45 am

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) provides significant opportunities for counties, which own and operate a vast amount of the nation's infrastructure and annually invest \$134 billion in the construction of infrastructure and the operation and maintenance of public works. Learn from county officials who have successfully obtained funding from past surface transportation laws on best practices to secure current BIL funding opportunities.

Jul. 23

Proactive Leadership in Crisis: Supporting Your Community Through a Disaster

10:30 am to 11:45 am

When disaster strikes, proactive leadership is crucial. Join this session to learn about best practices in crisis communication, coordination and control.

Jul. 23

Supporting People with Opioid use Disorders Involved in the Justice System

10:30 am to 11:45 am

Counties are implementing robust strategies and programs to address opioid and other substance use disorders in communities and local criminal justice systems using federal and state resources and opioid settlements. In this session, attendees will learn evidence-based strategies to prevent and treat opioid use disorders and hear about a new NACo resource to support these efforts.

Jul. 23

NACo Achievement Awards Luncheon

12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Jul. 23 Immigration Reform Task Force Meeting

2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

The Immigration Reform Task Force will meet to discuss the latest developments on immigration reform and hear from federal guest speakers and experts on federal immigration policy.

Adams County Elections Administration Center

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Jul. 23

Gravel Roads Program

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Learn how the Adams County Public Works Department's innovative Gravel Road Resurfacing Program used employee insight to create an internationally recognized new standard of paving that is both more durable and driver-friendly than traditional gravel roads.

Jul. 23

International Economic Development Task Force Meeting/Tour at Colorado Air & Space Port

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

The International Economic Development Task Force will join the Colorado Air & Space Port tour for their meeting at the Annual Conference.

Jul. 23 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm Riverdale Regional Park: Riverdale Animal Shelter, Veterans Memorial, Riverdale Golf Course

Adams County's Riverdale Regional Park combines indoor and outdoor space, recreation, nature, history and community in a unique park featuring Riverdale Golf Course and a network of park space and canals. Located within the park is Riverdale Animal Shelter, a county-run state-of-the-art facility for dogs, cats, small mammals and exotic animals. A new Veterans Memorial will open in Riverdale Park in 2022 with a life-size replica of the USS Colorado BB-45 battleship.

Jul. 23

Community & Land-Use Planning to Build Wildfire-Resilient Counties

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

As devasting wildfires continue to impact communities across the nation, counties are uniquely positioned to take proactive steps in land-use planning and community engagement to mitigate wildfire damage and destruction. This educational deep dive will convene expert practitioners in wildfire planning and county leaders to share promising approaches and tools to help counties plan for and build more fire-adapted and fire-resilient landscapes and communities.

Jul. 23 2:15 pm to 3:30 pm Economic Development Planning for Transformative Investments and Resilient Communities

County economic development planning is in the midst of a major transformation. Economic shocks from the pandemic and natural disasters, along with growing attention to diversity, equity and inclusion-focused programs, have prompted counties to consider expanded missions beyond job creation and business attraction. This workshop will provide insights on critical components of county economic development strategies and investments, including economic mobility, economic resilience, placemaking, and workforce development.

Jul. 23 2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

Framework for Advancing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion to Transform County Government

Counties play a critical role in building healthy and vibrant communities. The uneven impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic across different communities crystallized the disparities that can exist within a county. County leaders are well-positioned to resolve these disparities through the principles of diversity, equity and inclusion. By embracing these principles, county leaders create the conditions that allow all residents to reach their fullest potential. In this session county leaders will discuss how counties of all sizes can advance equity as employers, policymakers, investors and partners.

Jul. 23

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

Integrating the National 988 Hotline and County Behavioral Health Continuums of Care

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline phone number will transition to 988 on July 16th, 2022. This hotline is an integral element of crisis services and the behavioral health continuum of care, offering a critical entry point to local, community-based services to support recovery. Through investing in behavioral health services, counties can better serve residents, reduce reliance on the criminal legal system and direct valuable resources toward improving stability and health. In this session, attendees will hear from peers on lessons learned from implementing 988 and integrating this hotline into local behavioral health continuums of care.

Jul. 23

NCCAE Business Meeting (Invitation Only)

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

Jul. 23

Practical Policy Solutions to Promote Affordable Housing

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

As housing and rental prices continue to increase, significantly outpacing wage growth, solutions to create affordable housing within communities are increasingly important. Hear from scholars on specific public policy solutions based on local conditions that counties can implement to foster affordable housing and housing access.

Jul. 23

2:15 pm to 3:30 pm

Robert's Rule of Order: The Art of Running Efficient and Effective Meetings

Robert's Rules can help you run an efficient meeting. But how do you run an effective meeting? Learn the strategies for leading an engaging, energizing and productive meeting.

Arts & Culture Committee Reception (Invitation Only)

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Members of the Arts and Culture Commission will gather for networking and an informal discussion on leveraging the creative arts as a driver in local communities. This reception is invite-only.

Jul. 23

LUCC/RAC Reception (Invitation Only)

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Sunday, July 24, 2022

Jul. 24

Non-Denominational Worship Service

7:30 am to 8:30 am

Jul. 24

Policy Coordinating Committee Breakfast #3

8:00 am to 9:00 am

Jul. 24

8:00 am to 9:15 am

Inclusive Civic Engagement to Create Thriving, Equitable Counties

This workshop will help county officials learn new techniques for engaging residents and other stakeholders in their counties to help solve problems and improve equity. Presentations will include an overview of the National Civic League's Civic Index, examples from counties and principles for achieving greater equity from a leading academic thinker. The National Civic League's Civic Index tool will be presented alongside examples of how counties have created stronger communities and ideas for building greater equity.

Jul. 24

Mitigating the Negative Impacts of Natural Disasters

8:00 am to 9:15 am

Join the Resilient Counties Advisory Board for this interactive learning experience. Attendees will participate in facilitated, small-group exercises and scenario planning activities to discuss roles and responsibilities during disasters; disaster communication practices; and DEI and 'whole community' considerations in emergency management and resilience planning.

Jul. 24

8:00 am to 9:15 am

Navigating the Narrative: Telling the County Story in Changing Times

Join the National Association of County Information Officers for a dynamic session exploring communications strategies and tactics to tell your county story, especially how your county is investing resources from the American Rescue Plan. Explore tips to develop effective messaging and elevate awareness of your county's success stories, with a focus on media relations in counties of all sizes.

Sharing Data Across Justice and Behavioral Health Systems

8:00 am to 9:15 am

Counties are sharing information across systems to identify and support community members with complex behavioral health conditions who frequently cycle through jails, emergency rooms, homeless shelters and other crisis services. In this session, attendees will learn how entities can share behavioral health and justice data to improve cross-system care coordination and individual outcomes.

Jul. 24

8:00 am to 9:15 am

Sports Arenas and Entertainment Centers: How Counties Can Effectively Manage Public Facilities

Across the country, counties are owners and stakeholders in large public facilities such as athletic stadiums, convention centers, performing arts centers and more. Financing and management of these facilities present both economic opportunities and challenges. Join this session to learn strategies from experts and county leaders about avoiding pitfalls and maximizing benefits of these facilities.

Jul. 24

8:00 am to 9:15 am

The Value of County Management: Increasing Administrative Efficiency in County Government

County administrators play a major role in overseeing daily operations. This session will highlight who county administrators are, what they do and how this position can increase administrative efficiency. Session participants will hear from county leaders who have successfully integrated the administrator role and learn more about how it has positively impacted their ability to serve residents and enhance operations.

Jul. 24

NACo Annual Business Meeting & Election

9:30 am to 11:45 am

Jul. 24

Central Region Caucus Meeting

12:00 pm to 12:45 pm

Jul. 24

Northeast Region Caucus Meeting

12:00 pm to 12:45 pm

Jul. 24

South Region Caucus Meeting

12:00 pm to 12:45 pm

Jul. 24

West Region Caucus Meeting

12:00 pm to 12:45 pm

Jul. 24 General Session

2:00 pm to 3:30 pm

Jul. 24

NACo New Board Of Directors Of Organizational Meeting

3:45 pm to 4:15 pm

Jul. 24

NACo Closing Celebration Event

6:00 pm to 9:30 pm