

# NACO E-Line



March 18, 2022



## 2022 National County Government Month

National County Government Month (NCGM), held each April, is an annual celebration of county government. Since 1991, the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties to actively promote the services and programs they offer. Counties can schedule activities any time during the month. NCGM is an excellent opportunity for your county to highlight effective county programs and raise public awareness and understanding about the various services provided to the community.

[Learn More Here](#)

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### Your County, Through the Lens

Every E-Line will feature a photograph submitted by one of our readers of their county.



Cheyenne County by Alexis Harris, courtesy of Melody Keller

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### Upcoming Webinars

#### Federal Infrastructure Funding Available to Counties

On November 15, 2021 President Biden signed the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act enacting the legislation into law. Please join the Nebraska Department of Transportation Director John Selmer in a discussion about the incoming federal infrastructure funds available to counties.

When: Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 02:00 PM CST\*

\*This webinar will be recorded and available to view after

[Register for this Webinar](#)

#### NACO Benefit Services – TBX Employment Benefits Administration and Enrollment

At NACO, we are committed to providing our members with excellent benefits packages that provide the best value at affordable rates, in addition to solutions focused on easing the administrative burdens often associated with benefits management.

In this spirit, we are excited to announce that we have joined forces with TBX®, industry leader in benefits technology, to provide an exceptional online benefits education, enrollment, and administration experience of core and voluntary benefits – at no cost to the counties. You will be pleased to know this innovative online technology focuses on educating, not selling to, employees. It is also mobile-enabled, accessible 24/7, and incorporates custom educational videos, a built-in decision support tool, and a path to speak to a human at any point during

the enrollment – leading to higher engagement, participation, and confident decision making.

TBX® is the fastest, most efficient, and cost-effective approach to support your annual core enrollment, new hires, ongoing benefits administration – and includes data file delivery directly to vendors and exceptional customer service. Simply put, TBX® offers unmatched value and performance.

When: Thursday, March 31, 2022, 01:00 PM CST\*

\*This webinar will be recorded and available to view after

[Register for this Webinar](#)

### **NACO Benefit Services – Supplemental Life Insurance**

Join Megan Ware with National Insurance to learn about NACO Benefit Service's new Supplemental Life Insurance policy.

When: Thursday, April 7, 2022, 01:00 PM CST\*

\*This webinar will be recorded and available to view after

[Register for this Webinar](#)

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### **Upcoming Events: Spring 2022 District Meetings**

This meeting will include a district business meeting, a district-wide update on the Final Rule of the American Rescue Plan Act and the Infrastructure Bill, affiliate breakout sessions, and a luncheon.

Agendas are now available on the NACO Website.

March 23 – Panhandle District Meeting, Gering  
March 24 – West Central District Meeting, North Platte  
March 25 – Southeast District Meeting, Lincoln

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# **ARPA.** *Stories*



Introducing ARPA Stories, a place for your county to share how you are making a difference for your community through the distribution of your federal APRA funds.

Your story will be shared with the audience of the NACO E-Line as well as our social media platforms.

This is your opportunity to inform your constituents and inspire other county leaders across the state.

Please reach out with any questions or to get started sharing your story.

[Start Sharing Your County's Story](#)

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### **Accepting Applications Now: NACO 2021 Outstanding County Board Member of the Year**

Nominations are open to county board members who have been in office for at least four (4) terms.

Criteria used for selecting the 2021 recipient includes: member will have been active on regional boards, been chairman of their county board, participated in the legislative process, and appointed to a statewide committee. Regular attendance at NACO educational opportunities, events and meetings is also required.

Announcement of the recipient of this award will be made after the Wednesday evening meal at the County Board Workshop in Kearney.

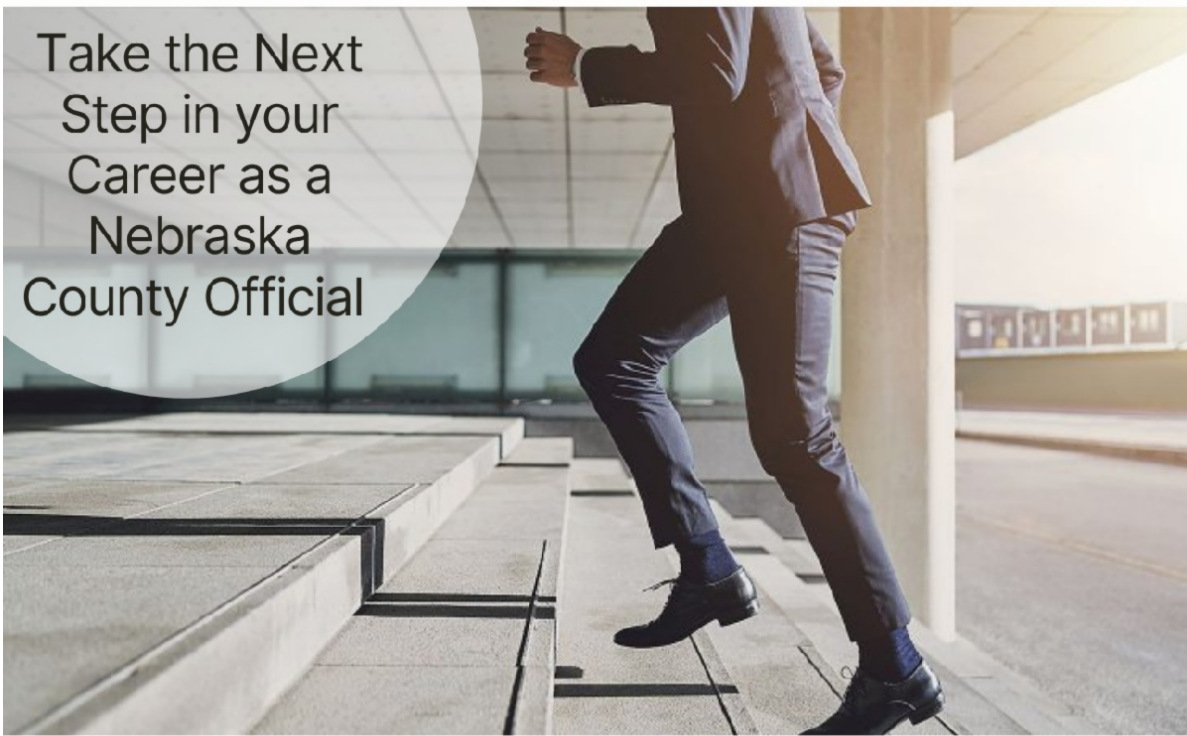
Submit nomination form to [candace.meredith@nebraskacounties.org](mailto:candace.meredith@nebraskacounties.org) by April 29, 2022.

[Download the Nomination Form Here](#)

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Step in your  
Career as a  
Nebraska  
County Official



## Institute of Excellence

Designed by Nebraska Extension, The NACO Institute of Excellence is a program of professional development for county officials. Participants will network with peers across the state as they grow leadership capacities in the roles they serve.

### Topics explored will include:

- Leading with Empathy
- Leadership Transition
- Nebraska Population and Economic Trends
- Gallup Strengths
- Managing Conflicts
- Effective Meeting Management
- Corresponding with Legislators

### 2022 Session Dates:

**Session One: Getting to Know Your County**  
June, 2022 - North Platte

**Session Two: Topic/Speaker Decided by Class**  
July, 2022 - Online

**Session Three: Leading with Strengths**  
August, 2022 - Norfolk

**Session Four: Topic/Speaker Decided by Class**  
September, 2022 - Online

**Session Five: Leading with Communication**  
October, 2022 - Lincoln

**Session Six: Topic/Speaker Decided by Class**  
November, 2022 - Online

**Session Seven: Leadership in Action**  
December, 2022 - Kearney\*  
\*In conjunction with NACO's Annual Conference

Registration

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## A healthy workplace is a happy workplace

We know a one-size-fits-all approach doesn't work for workplace wellness. But with a solid, results-oriented strategy and tailored solution, employers can avoid high-cost chronic conditions, foster a caring company culture and improve employee morale and productivity.

Our expert consultants help match your organization's wellness strategies and initiatives with the proper tools and resources. We meet you where you are – whether you are just starting a workplace wellness program or have a seasoned strategy and are looking for something new.

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### Work Zone Design Course

**FHWA Work Zone Safety Grant - 693JJ31750006**



**Description** - This 3-day course is designed to assist in understanding the design documents that were developed as part of an FHWA Work Zone Safety grant.

**Who Should Attend** - This workshop is directed toward highway design engineers and work zone engineers.

Topics covered include:

- Principles of Work Zone Safety – Safe System Approach
- Overview of Work Zone Design Principles
- Work Zone Lighting Design
- Oversize/Overweight Vehicle Accommodation
- Positive Protection Design
- Traffic Incident Management
- Designing for Pedestrians & Bicyclists

This virtual course is free to attend due to a grant provided by FHWA.



<b>Tuesday, March 22</b> <b>11:00 AM – 12:15 PM</b> Introduction & Principles of Work Zone Safety - Safe System Approach  <b>1:00 PM – 3:15 PM</b> Overview of Work Zone Design Principles	<b>Wednesday, March 23</b> <b>11:00 AM – 1:00 PM</b> Positive Protection Design  <b>2:00 PM – 3:30 PM</b> Traffic Incident Management	<b>Thursday, March 24</b> <b>11:00 AM – 12:00 PM</b> Work Zone Lighting Design  <b>12:30 PM – 1:30 PM</b> Oversize/Overweight Vehicle Accommodation  <b>2:00 PM – 3:45 PM</b> Designing for Pedestrians & Bicyclists
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Register for These Dates

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## JOIN US FOR A NORTHEAST NEBRASKA MODERN LIVESTOCK FACILITY TOUR

This is an opportunity to see modern livestock facilities firsthand. There will be open discussion around livestock sitings, setbacks, odor, manure management, and more!

Tour locations include a confined poultry broiler barn, hog finishing site, deep pit cattle confinement barn, and a robotic dairy site.

Lunch is free to all attendees. Ice cream will be served at our last stop of the day.



**APRIL 6TH, 10AM**

For questions contact Steve Martin or Kris Bousquet at 402.421.4472

RSVP's are due March 28th and can be sent to Mindy at [mindyr@a-fan.org](mailto:mindyr@a-fan.org).

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