NACO E-Line



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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.

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Platte County, submitted by Katy McNeil

LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKSHOP SERIES



Hosted by the U.S. Local Politics and Government Outreach team

Facebook Summer Training Series

Facebook is offering a series of free webinars geared toward empowering local government partners with the latest tools, tips and best practices that can help you better reach, connect, and engage with your communities on Facebook and Instagram.

Trainings offered will include:

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- Advertising on Facebook and Instagram
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- Business Manager
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NACO Sustaining Member Spotlight: Advanced Correctional Healthcare, Inc.

Advanced Correctional Healthcare, Inc. is the nation's largest health care provider who focuses exclusively on jails. ACH teams work in over 300 facilities across 15 states, endeavoring to make a difficult time in their patients' lives easier and improve public health.

ACH is proud to have been awarded the Better Business Bureau's Torch Award for Ethics in 2019, and to be certified in 2021 by Fortune Magazine as a Great Place to Work for the sixth consecutive year! Let ACH deliver a higher standard of care to your facility, contact us to learn more about opportunities.

(309) 692-8100

Learn more about Advanced Correctional Healthcare, Inc.

Upcoming Events

Budget Workshop: May 13, 2021, North Platte
Budget Workshop: May 14, 2021, Columbus
County Treasurer Workshop: June 8–10, 2021, North Platte*
Board of Equalization Workshop: June 9, 2021, Kearney
County Clerk/Register of Deeds/Election Commissioner Workshop:
June 9–10, 2021, York
County Clerk of the District Court Workshop:

June 9-10, Virtual

County Highway Superintendents/Surveyors/Engineers Workshop: June 9-10, 2021, Valentine

County Board Workshop: June 10-11, 2021, Kearney County Assessor Workshop: August 22-26, 2021, Grand Island

*Event Location has Recently Changed

Click Here to Register for an Event







News Release

Biden-Harris Administration Outlines "America the Beautiful" Initiative

Initial report details vision for 10-year, locally led and voluntary nationwide effort to restore and conserve America's lands, waters, and wildlife

WASHINGTON – Today the Biden–Harris administration outlined a vision for how the United States can work collaboratively to conserve and restore the lands, waters, and wildlife that support and sustain the nation. The recommendations are contained in a report released today, outlining a locally led and voluntary nationwide conservation goal to conserve 30 percent of U.S. lands and waters by 2030.

The report calls for a decade-long effort to support locally led and voluntary conservation and restoration efforts across public, private, and Tribal lands and waters in order to create jobs and strengthen the economy's foundation; tackle the climate and nature crises; and address inequitable access to the outdoors.

The report, submitted to the National Climate Task Force, was developed by the U.S. Departments of the Interior, Agriculture and Commerce, and the White House Council on Environmental Quality. It outlines eight principles that should guide the nationwide effort, including a pursuit of collaborative approaches; a commitment to supporting the voluntary conservation efforts of farmers, ranchers, and fishers; and honoring of Tribal sovereignty and private property rights.

"The President's challenge is a call to action to support locally led conservation and restoration efforts of all kinds and all over America, wherever communities wish to safeguard the lands and waters they know and love," write Interior Secretary Deb Haaland, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo, and White House Council on Environmental Quality Chair Brenda Mallory in the report. "Doing so will not only protect our lands and waters but also boost our economy and support jobs nationwide."

Based on feedback gathered in the Administration's first 100 days, the report

identifies six priority areas for the administration's early focus, investments, and collaboration:

- Creating more parks and safe outdoor opportunities in nature-deprived communities.
- Supporting Tribally led conservation and restoration priorities.
- Expanding collaborative conservation of fish and wildlife habitats and corridors.
- Increasing access for outdoor recreation.
- Incentivizing and rewarding the voluntary conservation efforts of fishers, ranchers, farmers, and forest owners.
- Creating jobs by investing in restoration and resilience projects and initiatives, including the Civilian Climate Corps.

The Biden-Harris administration is already taking steps to support outdoor recreation and equitable access to the outdoors:

- In late April, USDA expanded the Conservation Reserve Program by offering new incentives, higher rental rates, and more focused attention on sensitive lands with a goal of enrolling 4 million acres and capturing 3.6 million metric tons of CO2 equivalent in this voluntary conservation program.
- This week, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced a proposal for the largest expansion in recent history of hunting and sport fishing opportunities for game species across 2.1 million acres at 90 national wildlife refuges and on the lands of one national fish hatchery.
- The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) recently announced the expansion of the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary, nearly tripling the size of the sanctuary and protecting 14 reefs and banks that are habitat for recreationally important fish.
- In the coming days, the National Park Service will announce \$150 million in funding for the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program, which helps build parks in underserved communities.
- NOAA is working in partnership with the State of Connecticut to create a living classroom for education, research, and recreation by designating a National Estuarine Research Reserve in Long Island Sound. The final designation paperwork is expected by January 2022, which will make it the 30th estuary reserve in the national system.

To help measure and track progress toward the nation's first conservation goal, the report calls for the establishment of an interagency working group, led by the U.S. Geological Survey, the Natural Resources Conservation Service and NOAA in partnership with other land and ocean management agencies. The working group will develop the American Conservation and Stewardship Atlas, a tool that will better reflect the voluntary contributions of farmers, ranchers, forest owners and private landowners; the contributions of fishery management councils; and other existing conservation designations on lands and waters across federal, state, local, Tribal, and privatelandsand waters across the nation.

In line with Executive Order 14008, the agencies developed the recommendations after hearing from Tribal leaders, governors and their staff, Members of Congress and their staff, county officials, state elected officials, state fish and wildlife agencies, leaders on equity and justice in conservation policy, environmental advocacy organizations, hunting and fishing organizations, regional fisheries management councils, farming and ranching organizations, trade associations, forestry representatives, outdoor recreation businesses and users, the seafood industry, and others.

The report recommends additional dialogue with key partners - including states and Tribes - to inform early collaborative conservation efforts and the development of the American Conservation and Stewardship Atlas.

"This report is only the starting point on the path to fulfilling the conservation vision that President Biden has outlined," says the report. "Where this path leads over the next decade will be determined not by our agencies, but by the ideas and leadership of local communities. It is our job to listen, learn, and provide support along the way to help strengthen economies and pass on healthy lands, waters, and wildlife to the generations to come."

MODERN LIVESTOCK FACILITY TOUR

POLK COUNTY • JUNE 10, 2021

County officials are invited to join AFAN as we visit pork, poultry, & dairy facilities.

10:00- 10:45 AM Swine Production at Petersen Family Farms

765 County Road 130th Court, Osceola

11:00- 11:45 AM Poultry Production at Sterup Family Farms

12906 N Road, Osceola

12:00- 1:45 PM Lunch Program at Polk County Fairgrounds

12927 N Blvd, Osceola

2:00- 2:45 PM Dairy Production at Tuls Butler County Dairy

2670 D Road, Rising City

Each stop will have a short presentation on the operation and an opportunity for Q&A.

RSVP's due May 31st
For questions please contact 402.421.4472 or
email info@becomeafan.org

Getting a Clear Picture of County Finances Amidst COVID-19

As a proud partner of NACo, three+one jointly presented a webinar with the National Association of Counties on navigating public finances in the wake of the

pandemic.

This webinar focuses on how to get a clear picture of your liquidity needs, how to use data to communicate those needs to internal & external stakeholders, and how to meld cash flow management into liquidity management.

Click Here to Watch the Free Webinar

2020 US Census Redistricting Program Update Webinar

The U.S. Census Bureau Redistricting Program's mission is to provide states an opportunity to identify the geographic areas for which specific population tabulations are needed for legislative redistricting and to deliver high quality data for those areas in a timely manner. This webinar will provide an overview of the program and will include:

- Background of Public Law 94–171
- Five Phases of the Redistricting Data Program
- Delivery Timeline of Geographic Products and Data
- Recent Releases and FAQs of the Redistricting Office
- Brief demonstration of where the data will be loaded

The webinar will be held Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 11am CT, 10am MT

Click Here to Register for the Webinar

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