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DATES TO REMEMBER

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| NOVEMBER 6, 2009 | CCAO FISCAL, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS |
| NOVEMBER 19, 2009 | CCAO GENERAL GOVERNMENT & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS |
| DECEMBER 6-9, 2009 | CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE, HYATT REGENCY, COLUMBUS |
| MARCH 6-10, 2010 | NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE, MARRIOTT WARDMAN PARK HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D.C. |

ASSOCIATION NEWS

129th CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the 129th CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference and Trade Show to be held December 6-9, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency, 350 North High Street, in Columbus. Register for the conference by November 13 to get the pre-registration discount. Everyone attending the conference must register, even if you are attending meetings only. Registration materials and an updated draft agenda are on the CCAO website at www.ccao.org. Click on the story on the front page.

SPOUSE/GUEST ACTIVITY & LUNCHEON – Monday, December 7

All CCAO/CEAO Spouse/Guest registrants are invited to participate in an event planned on Monday, December 6. Buses will depart from the Hyatt Regency at 9:30 a.m. and travel to the City of Worthington.

Worthington was one of the Midwest's first planned communities, blending commerce, residential life, education, and faith. Founded in 1803, Worthington reflects its dignified New England heritage with authentic brick sidewalks leading to the central Village Green where many of the city's original commercial buildings and churches still stand proudly. Today, as in ages past, people come to meet and greet on the Village Green and stroll the streets of downtown Worthington.

Upon arrival in Worthington, spouses/guest will visit The Candle Lab (www.thecandlelab.com) to make your own hand-poured soy candles. Design your label and select from 120+ pure fragrance oils or mix your oils. Candles will be poured by trained employees at The Candle Lab.

Lunch will be served at The Worthington Inn (www.worthingtoninn.com), which was built by Rensselaer W. Cowles, a former county commissioner, as a private residence in 1831. In 1852, the inn was changed into a traveler's inn on one of Columbus' most traveled thoroughfares. Over the last 157 years, the Inn has changed and grown while maintaining its historical integrity. At the conclusion of lunch, the candles will be delivered to the Inn for you to take home. Buses will return to the Hyatt after lunch.

CCAO/CEAO General Session – Monday afternoon, December 7

- State General Fund & Transportation Budget Challenges: Where Do We Go From Here?

We all know that the economy has impacted both state and county budgets. But where do we go from here? Where are we for the rest of this biennium and what is the outlook for the next state budget? How has the federal stimulus money helped us and what happens when this money and other one-time monies are not longer available? What are the state budget implications to counties?

CCAO Sessions – Monday, December 7

- Workers' Compensation Options for Counties
- Transition to Law Library Resource Boards
- Counties Facing Financial Challenges: Understanding What Fiscal Emergency Means
- When Bad Things Happen to Good Counties
- Pension Reforms: Proposed Changes in PERS, Age & Service, and Vesting
- Local Impact of the State Budget on Human Services
- Ethics Update
- CCAO Legislative Update
- Area 7 Consortium Meeting

CCAO Sessions – Tuesday, December 8

- OSU Extension Restructuring Update: Dialog with the Director
- Funding the Courts – Seeing it from Both Sides
- Wellness on a Budget
- CCAO Deferred Comp Plan Updates and Enhancements
- Network of Care™
- Budget Seminar for Small Counties
- CCAO Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

CCAO/CEAO Session – Wednesday, December 9

- Public Records Training

The headquarters hotel is the Hyatt Regency, 350 North High Street, in Columbus. Rate: \$139 single/double. Reservation deadline: November 14. To reserve a room call (888) 421-1442, (402) 592-6464 or <http://columbusregency.hyatt.com/groupbooking/cmhrc2009ccas>.

CCAO SERVICE CORPORATION NEWS

ROLLOUT OF NEW CCAO SERVICE CORPORATION ENERGY PROGRAM – ELECTRICITY SAVINGS

As you recall, the CCAOSC initiated its natural gas procurement program in 2000 that has collectively saved 29 counties over \$7.4 million. Recent modifications in the natural gas program increased the participation to over 40 counties! With the recent modifications of the natural gas program, the one question that was repeatedly asked by the various county commissioners: "Can you do this with electricity?" Based upon recent

Public Utilities Commissioner of Ohio (PUCO) rulings and relatively low wholesale electric costs, we can now answer “YES”!

The County Commissioners Association of Ohio Service Corporation (CCAOSC) is forming a new program to assist counties on securing lower cost electricity. The CCAOSC has partnered again with Palmer Energy to help manage this electric program. While we will initially focus on counties located in the FirstEnergy area of the state, we fully expect to include counties served by Columbus & Southern and Duke-Ohio shortly thereafter.

To make this a successful program, we need to start collecting data from all counties. The independent energy professionals of Palmer Energy will collect, evaluate, and determine the most advantageous way to bid the members electricity requirement. Like natural gas, we anticipate that pooling the electricity needs of all participating counties will show greater savings to the entire group.

To get started, each county needs to complete and return a response form that will enable the CCAOSC to secure the necessary electric consumption, demand, cost, and other information, needed to attain quotations from the various potential suppliers. For more information go to www.ccao.org and click on the article on the front page. If you have questions or would like to schedule a consultation please contact either Kirkland Mizerek, Vice President of Palmer Energy at (419) 539-9180 or kmizerek@palmerenergy.com or Tom Strup, CCAO Deputy Director of Operations, at (614) 220-7078 or tstrup@ccao.org.

STATE ACTIVITIES

2010 COUNTY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

HOLIDAY	LEGAL HOLIDAY
New Year’s Day	January 1
Martin Luther King Day	January 18
President’s Day	February 15
Memorial Day	May 31
Independence Day	July 5
Labor Day	September 6
Columbus Day	October 11
Veteran’s Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Day	November 25
Christmas Day	December 24
2011 New Year’s Day	December 31

ALL COUNTY ELECTIONS BOARDS NOW HAVE ONLINE PRESENCE

Every county board of elections now has a website that provides local voters with information about their elections board. Secretary of State Jennifer Brunner's office has worked with local elections boards -- particularly those with limited financial resources -- to ensure that each has a presence on the web. Since 2007, Secretary Brunner's staff has assisted in the creation of 15 websites for county boards of elections who didn't have the technical resources or staff to create and maintain a site for voters.

Recent elections have shown an increasing trend of the public accessing election results online. All 88 county boards of elections will now be able to provide that timely information, including hours of operation, the location of board offices, information on board operations, and election results. A link to every county elections board Web site is available off of the Secretary of State's office Web site: www.sos.state.oh.us/SOS/elections/boeDirectory.aspx.

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

FUNDS TO HELP LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS WITH ENERGY COSTS

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) has announced the release of more than \$2.6 billion to states to help low income citizens with their heating bills this year. These funds are grants to states, tribes and territories under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Energy assistance is important to all that receive it, but especially for the elderly, children and people with disabilities. For information about applying for LIHEAP funds, please contact Nick Sunday, Chief, OCS/HEAP, Ohio Department of Development, P.O. Box 1001, 77 South High, 25th Floor, Columbus, OH 43216, (614) 644-6846 or (800) 282-0880, TDD (800) 686-1557, fax (614) 728-6832, nick.sunday@development.ohio.gov or www.odod.state.oh.us/cdd/ocs/heap.htm.

2010 CENSUS: COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEES FORMED IN 30 COUNTIES

Every 10 years, as mandated by the U.S. Constitution, our nation conducts a census — an effort to count every person living in the United States. The key to this endeavor is having every household fill out and mail back a completed census form. Participation is critical, as the results determine how Congress is apportioned and how more than \$300 billion in federal funds are distributed annually to state, local and tribal areas.

One way to help ensure that everyone is counted is to form Complete Count Committees (CCC) in counties across the country. Complete Count Committees are volunteer teams consisting of community leaders, faith-based groups, schools, businesses, media outlets, and others who are appointed by elected officials and work together to make sure entire communities are counted.

Creating a CCC in your community will increase your constituents understanding of the census and hopefully their willingness to return a questionnaire. Follow these seven simple steps to start a Complete County Committee in your county and contact your team leader to connect with other Committees:

Step 1) **Complete the Partnership Form** – Downloaded from the Ohio 2010 Census website www.census.ohio.gov/StartCompleteCountCommittee

Step 2) **Contact one of Ohio three Team Leaders** to identify your local Partnership Specialist:

- Northeast – Ben Holbert, Census Bureau, 1350 Euclid Ave. – Suite 650, Cleveland OH 44115, (216) 377-4436 ext. 36, or benjamin.i.holbert.iii@census.gov
- Central & Northwest & Toledo – Rose Simmons, Census Bureau, 2192 Dividend Dr., Columbus, OH 43228, (614) 743-9640, or rose.simmons@census.gov

- Southern & Southeast – Theresa Brundage, Census Bureau, 801 Linn Street – Floor 4, Cincinnati, OH 45023, (513) 766-1120, or theresa.m.brundage@census.gov

Step 3) **Return the Partnership Agreement Form** to your Partnership Specialist by e-mail or fax.

Step 4) **Download and read the Complete Count Committee Guide** – Downloaded from the Ohio 2010 Census website www.census.ohio.gov/StartCompleteCountCommittee

Step 5) **Work with your Partnership Specialist** in establishing a Complete Count Committee

Step 6) **Reaffirm your support by signing a resolution during** your kick off meeting. Downloaded from the Ohio 2010 Census website www.census.ohio.gov/StartCompleteCountCommittee

Step 7) **Register your Complete Count Committee** on the Ohio 2010 Census website to get connected to other Committees. www.census.ohio.gov

As you can see from the map attached to CIDS, the following 30 counties have established Complete County Committees: Adams, Athens, Auglaize, Belmont, Brown, Clermont, Cuyahoga, Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Gallia, Hamilton, Harrison, Highland, Hocking, Jackson, Jefferson, Lawrence, Licking, Lorain, Lucas, Madison, Medina, Montgomery, Pickaway, Scioto, Tuscarawas, Van Wert, Union, and Washington. The goal of the State Complete County Committee is to have a CCC formed and working in each county. **See the attached map for a status of Complete Count Committees as of mid-October.**

GRANTS

ENERGY STAR AWARD APPLICATIONS DUE DECEMBER 4

Each year, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency honors organizations that have made outstanding contributions to environmental protection through energy efficiency. Recognition is available in three categories: Energy Management (for buildings and industry, including commercial real estate, industrial firms and schools); Program Delivery (including administration of programs in commercial buildings, multifamily and public housing), and Service and Product Providers (for commercial and industrial buildings and design projects). Applications for this year's Partner of the Year awards are now available at www.energystar.gov/awards. For more information, contact Rocky Lopes, NACo Program Director, Community Services, at (202) 661-8841, fax (202)661-8871 or rlopes@naco.org.

PUBLICATIONS

JAIL POPULATION MANAGEMENT PUBLICATION NOW AVAILABLE

The National Association of Counties (NACo) has released a new publication, "Jail Population Management: Elected County Officials' Guide to Pretrial Services" in partnership with the Pretrial Justice Institute with support from the Bureau of Justice Assistance. This guide illustrates effective pretrial services programs, how to get one started in your community, cost-savings and the vital role of county officials. To download an online version of the publication go to www.naco.org, click on Training & Technical Assistance>Criminal Justice and scroll down to publications. For more information, contact Kati Guerra, NACo Senior Associate, Community Services, at (202) 942-4279, fax (202) 393-2630, or kguerra@naco.org.

SEMINARS/WEBINARS

SUMMIT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABILITY – NOVEMBER 19

The Office of Auditor of State Mary Taylor will be conducting a “Summit on Local Government Sustainability: Strategies and Solutions in a Time of Fiscal Crisis” on November 19, 2009 at the Columbus Athenaeum, 42 North Fourth Street, in downtown Columbus. CCAO is one of the co-hosting organizations. Sessions begin promptly at 9:30 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

Session topics include: The Outlook: Optimism or Luck?; Transfers, Advances & Manuscript Debt; Fiscal Watch & Fiscal Emergency Survival Guide; Leading Practices = Sustainable Results; Forecasting; Putting Your Financial Statement to Work; Commission on Local Government Reform & Collaboration; The Fund for Our Economic Future; Indicators of Fiscal Distress; and How Others Have Made the Tough Decisions.

Registration fee: \$15 (includes conference materials, lunch and break refreshments). Registration deadline: November 14. Payment must be made by check – no cash or credit cards. Class sizes are limited. Registration will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information: www.auditor.state.oh.us/ConferenceInformation/FiscalDistress/Default.aspx.

ARRA & RURAL BROADBAND PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Join the National Association of Counties (NACo) for a free webinar on Thursday, November 19, 2009 from 2:00 to 3:15 p.m. entitled “ARRA and Rural Broadband Partnership Opportunities”. The Recovery Act contained \$7.2 billion in funds for rural broadband deployment. A second Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) is anticipated at the end of November for a portion of this funding with a third NOFA anticipated as well. This webinar will offer an overview of private, nonprofit and public sector partners that are interested in partnering with counties on broadband deployment projects. To register for the webinar, go to <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/983133619>. For assistance from NACo, ask Erik Johnston, Associate Legislative Director, at (202) 942-4230, fax (202) 661-4281, or ejohnston@naco.org. For more information about broadband funding opportunities, go to www.broadbandusa.gov.

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

SYLLABUS

2009-043

The sheriff of the county that issued a person a license to carry a concealed handgun under R.C. 2923.125 or R.C. 2923.1213 is responsible for entering the person's new residence address into the Law Enforcement Automated Data System when the person notifies the sheriff that he has changed his residence.

CLASSIFIEDS

DIRECTOR, RICHLAND COUNTY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

The successful candidate will communicate the mission of the Solid Waste Authority to the public, supervise employees; use marketing strategies; exhibit knowledge of solid waste legislation; develop and monitor a budget; write and administer grants; seek alternative funding sources; develop special projects and carry them through to completion.

Bachelor's degree in solid waste management, business management, communications or a related field supplemented by a minimum of three years of experience in the field or any equivalent combination of

education, and experience that provides the requisite knowledge, skill and abilities for this job. Salary range: \$45,000 - \$58,000. Salary commensurate with education and experience

Applications for this position may be obtained at Richland County Dept. of Human Resources, 597 Park Avenue East or the Richland County Commissioners' Office, 50 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, OH 44902, and Richland County Regional Solid Waste Management Authority offices at 1125 National Parkway, Mansfield, OH 44906 phone (419) 774-5861. Application deadline: **November 6, 2009 by 4:00 p.m.** EOE.

DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Warren County Commissioners seek a director of emergency services to direct, plan, manage, organize and coordinate the department consisting of Emergency Management, Police and Fire Communications (911-PSAP), and LEPC (Local Emergency Planning Council). This position is unclassified.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any combination of training and work experience which indicates possession of the skills, knowledge and abilities to perform the job listed above.

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma or equivalent, valid Ohio driver's license, and eligible for L.E.A.D.S. Certification after hire.

This position will be posted until October 30, 2009, but applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Submit application to: Warren County Administration Building, Susan Spencer, Personnel Officer, 406 Justice Drive, Lebanon, OH 45036. Application is located on the Warren County website: <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/>. EOE.

BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

The Licking County Board of Commissioners is creating a new Building Code Enforcement Department, to administer the enforcement of various state and local building codes. Well-qualified candidates to fill the following positions are sought:

1. **Building Code Administrator:** Provides leadership and direction to the Building Code Enforcement Department
2. **Chief Building Inspector:** Inspects residential and commercial properties within County jurisdiction.
3. **Plans Examiner:** Performs residential code plan reviews and inspections that assure safe construction of buildings.
4. **Administrative Assistant:** Provides customer service and administrative/clerical support for the Building Code Enforcement Department.

Candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and completed application no later than **Monday, November 2, 2009** to the Licking County Human Resources Department. Successful candidates will be subject to Licking County's pre-employment drug screen. Applications and a complete job description can be obtained at www.lcounty.com. EOE

ASSISTANT WATER SUPERINTENDENT

The Ottawa County Sanitary Engineering Department currently has a job opening for an assistant water superintendent for the Ottawa County Regional Water Treatment Plant. Anyone wishing to apply for the position should do so by submitting an application for employment to the Ottawa County Sanitary Engineering Department, 315 Madison Street – Room 105, Port Clinton, OH 43452, no later than 4:30 p.m. **Friday, November 13, 2009**. Applications and a copy of the job description for the position may be obtained from the

Ottawa County Sanitary Engineering Department at (419) 734-6725, fax (419) 734-6858 or <http://www.co.ottawa.oh.us/index.htm>. EOE.

CLASSIFIED ADS

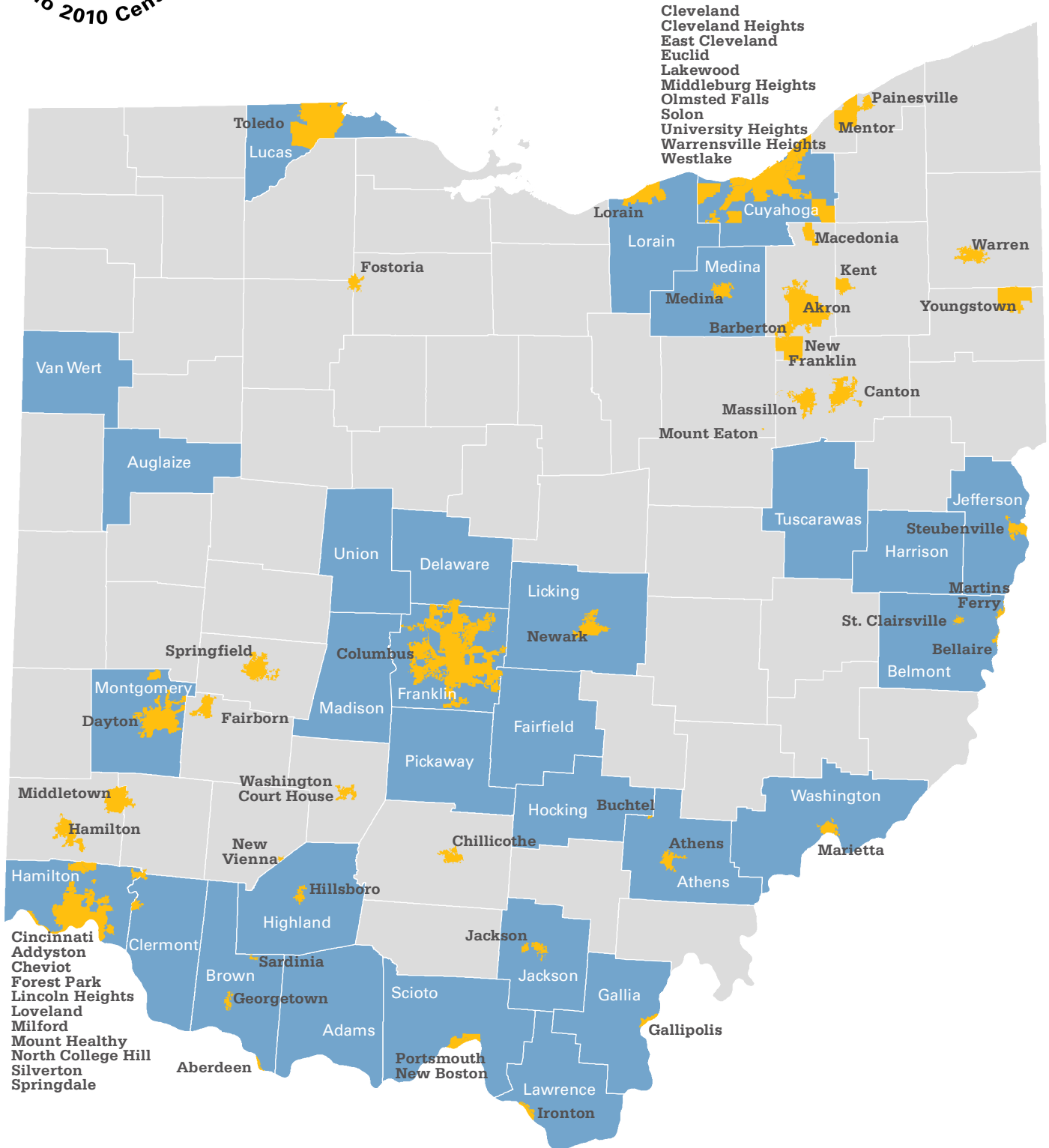
CCAO publishes the County Information and Data Service (CIDS) weekly. Classified ads will be published free of charge as a service to counties. Ads will run for two weeks if space is available. Ads will also be published on the CCAO website at www.ccao.org. When submitting your ad to CCAO please provide a link to the job posting online and a deadline. Please provide a copy of the classified ad by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday of each week. Transmit the copy to Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, by e-mail at mjneiman@ccao.org



2010 Census

Complete Count Committees*

Formed as of Mid October 2009



*Note Township-based and other non-jurisdictional committees are not shown

Legend

- City- or Village-Based Committee
- County-Based Committee

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