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DECEMBER 5-8, 2010	CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE AND TRADESHOW, HYATT REGENCY, COLUMBUS

## **ASSOCIATION NEWS**

### CORSA ANNUAL MEETING

The 23<sup>rd</sup> CORSA Annual Membership Meeting was held August 27 in Columbus. The meeting was attended by 165 commissioners, county loss control coordinators, human resource specialists, and local insurance agents. The audience enjoyed an uplifting and highly informative message from the keynote speaker, Mike Frank. While presenting the financial report, Thisbe Butcher, finance manager, reported that CORSA net assets increased from \$25.4M to \$37.5M, an increase of 48%. The increase was due to a reduction in losses and improved investment performance.

CORSA's outgoing President, Miami County Commissioner Jack Evans, was recognized for his outstanding leadership and service. Members elected Preble County Commissioner Chris Day to the CORSA Board of Directors.

The CORSA Board of Directors met after the Membership Meeting, and elected Defiance County Commissioner Tom Kime as President, Scioto County Commissioner Tom Reiser as Vice-President, Brown County Commissioner Margery Paeltz as Secretary, and Fulton County Commissioner Paul Barnaby as Treasurer.

### 2010 CCAO NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The CCAO Executive Committee has approved the appointment of a five member Nominating Committee at a recent meeting of the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee, appointed by CCAO President Paula Brooks (Franklin), will be chaired by Past President Kerry Metzger, Tuscarawas County Commissioner. Other members include: Peter Ferguson (Stark), Ed Humphrey (Clermont), Pete Gerken (Lucas), and Kim Edwards (Ashland).

It is the responsibility of the committee to recommend a slate of officers and board members to be elected at the CCAO Luncheon and Annual Business Meeting to be held on Monday, December 6, 2010, at the held during the CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference to be held at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. The committee will be nominating candidates for the offices of president, first vice president, second vice president, secretary, and treasurer.

In addition, seven members will be nominated to serve on the Board of Trustees for two-year terms. The Nominating Committee will also fill any vacancies that may exist where members elected to a two-year term will not be returning to office or where a member forfeits office for non-attendance. The seven members whose terms to the Board expire this year include: Tim Brown (Wood), Kim Edwards (Ashland), Greg Green (Hocking), Margery Paeltz (Brown), David Pepper (Hamilton), Roger Tackett (Clark), and Ron Widener (Miami).

The nine members appointed by President Brooks whose one-year term to the Board expires at the end of this year include: Steve Arndt (Ottawa), Sam Bassitt (Allen), Mike Crabtree (Scioto), Pete Gerken (Lucas), Peter Lawson Jones (Cuyahoga), Ted Kalo (Lorain), Ula Jean Metzler (Pickaway), Bob Peterson (Fayette), and Tommy Thompson (Delaware).

In accordance with the CCAO Bylaws, the six most recent past presidents who still hold the office of county commissioner are entitled to a seat on the Board of Trustees. In 2011 those individuals will include: Paula Brooks (Franklin), Bob Corbett (Champaign), Lenny Eliason (Athens), Olen Jackson (Morrow), Kerry Metzger (Tuscarawas), and Daniel Troy (Lake).

The committee must make its recommendations no later than November 3. The report will then be published in the CIDS and an individual copy of the report will be sent to each commissioner.

On September 17, CCAO will send to all commissioners at their home addresses an application form to express interest to become an officer or a member of the CCAO Board. In addition, this information can be found after September 17 on the front page of our website at [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org). Return forms no later than **November 3** to the committee chair: Kerry Metzger, Tuscarawas County Commissioner, 125 East High Street, New Philadelphia, OH 44663-2573. In addition, mail a copy to CCAO, 209 East State Street, Columbus, OH 43215, in an envelope marked: NOMINATING COMMITTEE – ATTENTION: KATHY DILLON. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Nominating Committee Chair Kerry Metzger at (330) 365-3260, or CCAO Executive Director Larry Long at (614) 221-5627.

### 2011-2012 CCAO LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM DEVELOPMENT

As we begin development of the CCAO Legislative Program for 2011-2012, we are asking for help from commissioners and our affiliates. A County Legislative Needs Survey is provided via this link ([click here](#)) seeking your thoughts on issues for CCAO to address during the next General Assembly.

Also provided in the link is a listing of suggestions CCAO has received since the adoption of the 2009-2010 Legislative Platform. These items are enumerated so that members are assured that their past survey responses and suggestions have been captured and will be considered this fall during the 2010-2011 Platform Development Process.

Additional thoughts on these items as well as any others should be made on the survey form and returned to CCAO by September 24, 2010. For your convenience, a copy of the CCAO Platform is included in the link as well.

CCAO Standing Committees will convene mid-October to review these suggestions and make recommendations for the CCAO Board of Trustees to consider at their November Board meeting. The full membership will take action on the measure at the CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference in December.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Larry Long, CCAO Executive Director, at (614) 221-5627 or [llong@ccao.org](mailto:llong@ccao.org) or Cheryl Subler, Managing Director of Policy, at (614) 220-7980 or [csubler@ccao.org](mailto:csubler@ccao.org). We strongly urge your participation in this process given its importance as well as the challenging economic times facing the state, Ohio's local governments, and our residents. Change to some degree is on the horizon, and the Association's advocacy role and your grassroots lobbying efforts will be critical in the coming two years.

### CCAO PUBLIC SAFETY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The CCAO Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee c-chairs Bob Proud (Clermont) and Nick Kostandaras (Summit) have scheduled a meeting to be held on Friday, October 1 at 10:00 a.m. at the CCAO offices, 209 E. State Street, in Columbus. Lunch will follow the meeting. Materials concerning the two meeting agenda items were e-mailed to committee members.

1) **Ohio Justice Reinvestment Project** - At the request of Governor Strickland, legislative leaders and chief justice, the Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center is conducting an analysis of the state's criminal justice system in order to provide policy options to assist the state in reducing spending on corrections and reinvesting those savings in strategies to increase public safety. The initial report's key recommendations would impact both county probation offices and community corrections programming choices and are of major

interest to commissioners. The CSG's Project Coordinator Marshall Clement and Policy Analyst Marc Pelka will be attending the Committee meeting to present information on the Justice Reinvestment Project and gain input from commissioners regarding the various aspects of the report.

2) **Indigent Defense Client/Case Management System** - This system is being proposed by the State Public Defender's Office and was initially discussed at the Committee's last meeting. The CCAO Board of Trustees has specifically asked the Committee to make a recommendation to them regarding this matter.

Please RSVP to confirm your attendance by e-mailing Janet Erwin, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at [jerwin@ccao.org](mailto:jerwin@ccao.org) no later than Friday, October 24.

### CCAO/OSU EXTENSION REGIONAL SEMINARS - MARK THE DATES!

CCAO and OSU Extension are partnering to present four one-day regional seminars to be held throughout Ohio. OSU Extension appreciates this new opportunity to reach out to commissioners since County Commissioner Days were not held this year. Regional seminars without an overnight stay will lower costs for both organizations, supporting all of our efforts to minimize expenditures during these challenging budget times. OSU Extension sessions or tours will be customized for each regional meeting. Join us to learn about some of OSU Extension's signature programs and other opportunities for services that will benefit residents of your county. In addition, a CCAO Policy Roundtable Discussion will be conducted after lunch.

#### **Dates and Locations**

##### **October 25, 2010 - Hancock County**

Findlay Inn & Conference Center, 200 East Main Street, Findlay

##### **October 26, 2010 - Wayne County**

Shisler Conference Center, 1625 Wilson Avenue, Wooster

##### **October 27, 2010 - Hocking County**

Olde Dutch Restaurant, 12791 State Route 664 South, Logan

##### **October 29, 2010 - Clark County**

Springview Government Center, 3120 East Main Street, Springfield

Registration and a continental breakfast begin at 8:00 a.m. with sessions beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 2:00 p.m. Registration fee: \$20 (includes continental breakfast, sessions and lunch). Registration information will be distributed this month. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

### COUNTY STRUCTURAL OPTIONS - COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HANDBOOK CHAPTER UPDATED

Over the decades, CCAO has published four editions of the *County Commissioners Handbook* and distributed copies to all counties. Since the first edition, the *Handbook* has grown to nearly 1,000 pages and publishing an updated copy of all chapters in a timely manner is nearly impossible. Due to technology changes and the high cost of publishing a hard copy, the *Handbook* will be published on our website.

Recently, Chapter 2 – County Structural Options was updated. A revised copy has been published on the CCAO website at [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org) > Publications > County Commissioners Handbook or click on the story on the front page about the *Handbook* Chapter update.

The CCAO expresses its gratitude to Eugene Kramer, Esq., who assisted CCAO in drafting this Chapter of the Handbook. Eugene Kramer is an attorney in private practice who specializes in public law and public finance. His office address is 1422 Euclid Avenue, Suite 545, Cleveland, OH 44115. He may be reached by telephone at (614) 621-7974, by fax at (614) 574-6166, or by email at [elkramer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:elkramer@sbcglobal.net).

### ENFORCING WEIGHT LIMITS ON COUNTY ROADS; 2<sup>ND</sup> WEDNESDAY'S SEMINAR – SEPTEMBER 8

CCAO will be hosting “Enforcing Weight Limits on County Roads” – the sixth in a series of “Second Wednesday’s” seminars – on Wednesday, September 8 at the CCAO Offices, 209 East State Street, in Columbus. Information is attached to this issue of CIDS and is posted on the front page of our website at [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org).

Learn from experts in truck weight enforcement about Ohio’s weight limit laws, responsibility for enforcement of the law, how to establish a portable scale team, the importance of developing a cooperative working relationship with all affected parties within the criminal justice system and the importance of informing the public about weight enforcement efforts prior to implementing a program. The program will also provide information concerning the training of law enforcement personnel in truck weight enforcement and the role of the State Highway Patrol in enforcing Ohio’s commercial motor vehicle weight laws.

The seminar will begin sharply at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude promptly at 12:30 p.m. Registrations will be accepted only by email. Seminar information is posted on our website at [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org). Coffee will be served during the morning and lunch will be on your own. Best of all, no registration fee will be charged! To register, contact Janet Erwin, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at [jerwin@ccao.org](mailto:jerwin@ccao.org).

### UNION COUNTY TO HOST NW DISTRICT QUARTERLY MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 16

Union County Commissioners Charles Hall, Gary Lee and Tom McCarthy and County Engineer Jeff Stauch will host the NW District Commissioners & Engineers Association quarterly meeting on Thursday, September 16 in Union County (Marysville). Detailed registration information is available on the front page of [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org).

### **AFFILIATE NEWS**

#### FINAL 2010 CCC/EAPA REGIONAL MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN FRANKLIN & TUSCARAWAS COUNTIES

The County Commissioners’ Clerks and Engineer’s Administrative Professional Association of Ohio (CCC/EAPA) has scheduled regional meetings to share information and network with other clerks. CCC/EAPA is comprised of county commissioners and engineers’ office staff. All commissioners’ clerks and engineers’ administrative professionals are welcome to network with this most informative organization. The board works hard to provide educational workshops and training opportunities at summer and winter conferences.

Regional information and networking luncheon meetings are a priority with CCC/EAPA. Topics will vary at each of the following meetings which are held on Friday’s beginning at 10:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. CCAO/CEAO sponsors the lunch. The dates and location of the last two 2010 meetings are:

- **September 24 – Franklin County** – County Office Building, 373 South High Street, Columbus
- **October 22 – Tuscarawas County** - Tuscarawas County Convention & Visitor’s Bureau (across from the Courthouse Annex Building, 124 East High Avenue, New Philadelphia)

Please email suggestions for agenda items to Carolyn Hauenstein, Clerk, and Erie County Commissioners at [chauenstein@eriecounty.oh.gov](mailto:chauenstein@eriecounty.oh.gov) or Lisa Hawkins, Clerk, Ashtabula County Commissioners at [llhawkins@ashtabulacounty.us](mailto:llhawkins@ashtabulacounty.us). Bring any forms to share that may be useful to other counties.

To obtain additional information on the CCC/EAPA, or if you are interested in serving on one of the committees, please contact Bonnie Green, System Administrator, Lake County Engineer's Office, at (440) 350-2770, [bonnie.green@lakecountyohio.gov](mailto:bonnie.green@lakecountyohio.gov) or [www.ccc-esao.org](http://www.ccc-esao.org).

## **OSU EXTENSION UPDATE**

### OSU EXTENSION APPROVED AS HOUSING COUNSELING SERVICE AGENCY BY HUD

Ohio State University Extension has received approval to act as a housing counseling service agency by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Ten Extension educators and two program assistants are approved to offer three types of housing counseling: pre-purchase/home buying education; resolving or preventing mortgage delinquency or default; and non-delinquency post-purchase financial education.

Many of Ohio's Extension educators have offered such financial education programs in the past, but in recent years, partners have increasingly asked if the educators are HUD-approved. Counseling will be offered in several urban counties, but the goal is to target rural areas in Ohio, which are quite underserved with regard to housing counseling services and which have some of the highest foreclosure rates in the state.

HUD requires that its approved counselors have at least one year's experience in conducting such sessions; the educators and program assistants provided workshops or individual counseling to several hundred clients between January and December 2009. The personnel currently approved by HUD are based in these counties: **Clermont** - Margaret Jenkins (513) 732-7070; **Defiance** - Barbara Rohrs (419) 782-4771; **Fairfield** - Cora French-Robinson (740) 653-5419, ext. 12; **Franklin** - Susan Shockey (614) 866-6900, ext. 206; **Fulton** - Cheryl Barber Spires (419) 337-9210; **Guernsey** - Cindy Bond-Zielinski (740) 489-5300; **Henry** - Nancy Stehulak (419) 592-0806; **Highland** - Rose Fisher-Merkowitz (937) 393-1918; **Wayne** - Melinda Hill and Marcia Brueck (330) 264-8722; and **Wood** - Doris Herringshaw and Susan Miklovic (419) 354-9050. More contact information also is listed on the OSU Extension Housing Counseling Services website: <http://fcs.osu.edu/cs/house-counseling.php>.

## **COUNTY ACTIVITIES**

### COURT SIDES WITH PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN SHERIFF'S BUDGET DISPUTE

Earlier this year the Paulding County Sheriff sued the Board of Commissioners claiming that they failed to sufficiently fund the operations of the sheriff's office so that the sheriff could not adequately perform the statutory duties of his office.

The Paulding County Court of Common Pleas issued its decision this week finding that the board of commissioners has the authority to determine the sheriff's office budget and that in order for the sheriff to challenge the commissioners' appropriation the sheriff has the burden of proving that the board abused its discretion in setting the appropriation by acting in an unreasonable, arbitrary or unconscionable manner. The court held that the sheriff had not proven that the commissioners acted in an unreasonable, arbitrary or unconscionable manner and therefore failed to prove that the commissioners had abused their discretion. A mere disagreement over policy is not sufficient to prove abuse of discretion.

Following decisions out of both the Meigs [4<sup>th</sup> District] and Geauga [11<sup>th</sup> District] County Courts of Appeals, the

court said that since no abuse of discretion had been proven it should not substitute its judgment for that of the commissioners' when allocating scarce financial resources and dismissed the complaint for declaratory judgment that had been filed by the sheriff.

## WANTED: YOUR COUNTY NEWS

Do you have news about your county to share in the County Information and Data Service or County News? Send it to Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at [mjneiman@ccao.org](mailto:mjneiman@ccao.org).

## **STATE ACTIVITIES**

### STATE DESIGNATES FEDERAL MEDICAID FUNDING TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE JOBS, SERVICES

Governor Ted Strickland announced initial designations of dollars made available as a result of increased federal reimbursement for Medicaid. Investments will be made in hospitals, mental health services, and Ohio's HIV/AIDS assistance program to protect health care jobs and critical health services for Ohioans.

Medicaid is a state and federal partnership with shared financial responsibility. Medicaid expenses are partially reimbursed by the federal government. In the Recovery Act, the federal government increased its share of the financial responsibility for Medicaid, also known as FMAP (Federal Medical Assistance Percentages), providing economic relief to states. This enhanced FMAP was set to expire on December 31, 2010 but was extended for six months at a reduced rate by federal legislation passed in August.

Ohio's enhanced FMAP reimbursement allocation is projected to be \$518.6 million.

As designated by federal law, approximately \$73.3 million will be distributed through the following state agencies, and in many cases passed through to local partners, in proportion to their financial contribution to the Medicaid program:

- Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services: \$2.4 million
- Ohio Department of Education: \$845,801
- Ohio Department of Aging: \$12.6 million
- Ohio Department of Mental Health: \$15.6 million
- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities: \$41.7 million

Also designated by federal law is the distribution of approximately \$24.7 million for Medicare Part D and \$13.3 million for IV-E, which supports foster care and adoption services provided through county agencies.

The remainder, approximately \$407.2 million, flows through the main Medicaid funding line item (the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Medicaid 525 line) and associated Medicaid Non-GRF lines. Strickland designated less than half of these enhanced reimbursements for the following investments:

- **Ohio hospitals** will benefit from \$150 million in relief from the hospital assessment to protect health care jobs and critical services for patients. The additional resources will help benefit every hospital throughout the state to retain or add jobs. (The state budget impact of the reduced hospital assessment will only be \$118 million, after accounting for the net effect of other factors related to hospitals in the Medicaid budget. Those factors include better than estimated performance of the hospital assessment and reduced spending in the Upper Payment Limit program.)

- **Ohio's mental health system** will receive \$32.6 million to help provide critical treatment for adults and children with mental illness and preserve jobs in the mental health system. Approximately \$30.6 million will be distributed to county boards on a per capita basis to help fund services and protect jobs; the remaining \$2 million will be used to fund programs that specifically benefit children with mental health issues.
- **Ohio's Ryan White Part B/Ohio Drug Assistance Program**, which provides assistance to eligible Ohioans living with HIV/AIDS, will receive \$12.8 million. The program implemented cost containment measures in July because of a combination of decreasing resources, increasing enrollment, and rising costs of health insurance premiums and medications. This assistance will sustain the program at its current levels through the remainder of the fiscal year.

Strickland said he would like to gather input and information from the legislature and stakeholders before designating the balance of the state's allocation, which is approximately \$243.8 million.

According to the Governor, This additional support could not have come at a more critical time for our hospitals and mental health system. These investments will protect Ohio jobs and help us provide health services for Ohioans in need. I want to thank President Obama and Ohio's Congressional leaders for supporting Ohio jobs and services."

"It is important to exercise fiscal restraint and look beyond our immediate priorities so we are positioned to address needs that may arise in the coming months. That is how we will maximize these resources and help the greatest number of Ohioans," Strickland said. "Just because the state has received additional federal resources does not mean all of those resources must be spent immediately."

#### "JUSTICE REINVESTMENT" PROJECT SEEKING COMMISSIONERS INPUT

In 2008, the Governor, General Assembly leaders, and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court asked for technical assistance from the Council of State Governments Justice Center to help develop a statewide policy framework to reduce spending on corrections and reinvest in strategies to increase public safety. A major objective is to reduce the state's prison population in order to reduce the stress on the state's overcrowded prisons.

The CSG's Justice Center study was designed to be a data driven approach to reduce corrections spending and reinvest the savings in strategies that can decrease crime and strengthen neighborhoods thereby resulting in both reduced crime and a more fiscally responsible use of resources.

The CSG's Justice Center's initial research report "Justice Reinvestment in Ohio" was released in July during a stakeholders meeting held in Columbus and the Justice Center's staff has also appeared before the Ohio Budget Planning and Management Commission in August to present its findings.

The initial report's key recommendations would impact both county probation offices and community corrections programming choices and are of major interest to commissioners.

The CSG's Justice Center staff asked for an opportunity to meet with county commissioners to discuss the "Justice Reinvestment" report and its findings. The Project's Coordinator, Marshall Clement, and Policy Analyst, Marc Pelka, will be attending the CCAO's Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee meeting on October 1st to present information on the Justice Reinvestment Project and gain input from commissioners regarding the various aspects of the report. Any commissioner interested in the criminal justice area is invited and encouraged to attend this meeting and participate in the discussion. (See lead article in Association



News.) The full report can be reviewed on-line at [http://justicereinvestment.org/files/ohio\\_conference\\_report.pdf](http://justicereinvestment.org/files/ohio_conference_report.pdf).

## STATEHOUSE TO COMMEMORATE ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT WILLIAM MCKINLEY'S DEATH - RED CARNATION DAY SET FOR SEPTEMBER 14

The Ohio Statehouse will observe the 108th anniversary of Ohio Governor and U.S. President William McKinley's death on September 14<sup>th</sup> with its annual Red Carnation Day. The commemoration honors McKinley and his contributions to Ohio, the country and world while serving as Ohio Governor (1892-1896) and U.S. President (1897-1901). The day of remembrance also includes a special McKinley exhibit and looping video montage from the collections of the Library of Congress that will be on view in the Statehouse Rotunda.

How is Ohio's State Flower related to William McKinley? President William McKinley was assassinated in 1901 during a visit to the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, NY. Shot twice with a hand gun, President McKinley survived eight days before his death on September 14. On February 3, 1904, the Ohio General Assembly enacted legislation making the scarlet carnation the state flower. This was done specifically to honor William McKinley, who regularly wore this type of flower on his lapel.

McKinley's floral signature goes back to the election of 1876, when he was running for a seat in the U.S. Congress. His opponent for the seat was Levi Lamborn, of Alliance was a physician and amateur horticulturist who had developed a strain of bright scarlet carnations he dubbed "Lamborn Red." Lamborn presented McKinley with a "Lamborn Red" boutonniere before their debates, and after his election victory, the future President saw the red carnation as a good luck charm. He wore one on his lapel regularly and presented visitors to his office carnations from a vase. Moments before he was shot by an assassin, it is reported that McKinley had removed the carnation from his lapel and presented it to a young girl. Lamborn was instrumental in efforts to enact the legislation that made the scarlet carnation the state flower of Ohio. In 1959, the Ohio Legislature named Alliance "the Carnation City."

## **WEBINARS**

### CCAO WIND ENERGY LEGISLATION WEBINAR AVAILABLE ONLINE

Last Monday, August 30, CCAO, in conjunction with OSU Extension, hosted a webinar featuring details on SB 232 - Wind Energy Legislation. CCAO Policy Analysts Josh Hahn and John Leutz presented information on the provisions of SB 232, legislation that passed in June that is designed to encourage development of alternative energy projects, including wind and solar energy, to generate electricity. Hahn and Leutz focused their webinar on information local governments will need when encountering such projects. Please contact Josh or John with any questions at [jhahn@ccao.org](mailto:jhahn@ccao.org) or [jleutz@ccao.org](mailto:jleutz@ccao.org), respectively, with any additional questions. The webinar recording is available at <https://osu.webex.com/osu/lsr.php?AT=pb&SP=MC&rID=15442097&rKey=6f0cf95dbeef4fb9>.

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

### COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Delaware County, the fastest growing county in Ohio and the 20<sup>th</sup> fastest growing county in the nation, is again accepting applications for the position of county administrator. The county administrator oversees a budget of over \$60 million dollars and is responsible for supervising the day to day operations of the departments under the County Commissioners including, but not limited: to Environmental Services, Facilities, Job and Family Services, Child Support Enforcement, Human Resources Emergency Communications, and Emergency Medical Services. The successful candidate must have a Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration,

Business, Finance or a related field and post graduate work experience. A minimum of five years related public sector work experience and demonstrated competence in managing a large number of employees is required. The ability to adapt to requirements of Ohio law is a must. Delaware County offers excellent benefits. Salary range for this position is \$77,736.31-\$104,174.10 and commensurate with experience. Further job qualifications and an employment application can be obtained from our website at [www.co.delaware.oh.us](http://www.co.delaware.oh.us), at the Delaware County Human Resources Department, 10 Court Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Delaware, OH, 43015 or by calling (740) 833-2120. Submissions can be faxed to (740) 833-2119. Applications must be received by **September 7, 2010**. 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](http://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](mailto:mjneiman@ccao.org)

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## Registration fee: \$20

( Includes continental breakfast,  
sessions & lunch. )

For more information contact:

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### *Tentative Program*

8:00 am	Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:00-9:15 am	Welcome
9:30-10:15 am	Concurrent Sessions TBA ( 2 )
10:30-11:15 am	Concurrent Sessions TBA ( 2 )
11:30 am-2:00 pm	Luncheon and CCAO Policy Roundtable Discussion

**Details on concurrent session topics at each location  
will be available in early October.**