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| SEPTEMBER 26, 2011   | CCAO SEMINAR: OHIO'S STATE BUDGET, ALLEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB & FAMILY SERVICES, ALLEN COUNTY (LIMA) |
| SEPTEMBER 27, 2011   | CCAO SEMINAR: OHIO'S STATE BUDGET, CCAO OFFICES, FRANKLIN COUNTY (COLUMBUS)                              |
| SEPTEMBER 30, 2011   | CCAO SEMINAR: OHIO'S STATE BUDGET, MADISON LAKES TRAINING CENTER, MONTGOMERY COUNTY (DAYTON)             |
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### ASSOCIATION NEWS

#### REQUESTS TO CCAO NOMINATING COMMITTEE DUE NOVEMBER 3, 2011

On September 16, 2011, Paula Brooks, Franklin County Commissioner and CCAO Nominating Committee Chair, sent each county commissioner a memo detailing CCAO nominating procedures for 2011. The Committee will nominate individuals for the offices of president, first vice president, second vice president, secretary and treasurer. It will also recommend eight members to serve two year terms on the CCAO Board in 2012 and 2013.

In December of 2010, the CCAO Nominating Committee submitted to the CCAO Board of Directors for approval a resolution that would limit the number of consecutive years a person could serve as either Treasurer (not more than three consecutive years) or Secretary (not more than one consecutive year). They also recommended that persons serving in the offices of Treasurer and Secretary be of different political

parties. This was done in an effort to maintain political balance on the CCAO Executive Committee and to give the incoming President greater flexibility in making appointments to the Executive Committee.

The recommendations as submitted by the CCAO Nominating Committee were approved by the CCAO Board of Directors and became effective January 1, 2011. The Board felt the recommendations made sense and would promote continued growth of the Association. The Board also felt that limiting the terms of Treasurer and Secretary would provide a greater opportunity for those Board Members interested in serving as a CCAO Officer. Before a Board Member can be an officer, he or she must have served on the CCAO Board for one year.

We also want to remind members that in 2010 the membership approved several changes to the CCAO Bylaws, one of which is Article IV, Section 6, that requires each member county to designate an Official Representative and Alternate when voting at the Annual Meeting or any special meeting of the Association.

The designation of the Official Representative and Alternate for a county organized under the statutory form of county government is by resolution of the board of county commissioners. In the case of a county organized as a charter county with an elected executive, the elected executive designates, by a letter signed by the executive, the Official Representative and an Alternate. Please note in designating the Official Representative and Alternate, a member county may only name a county commissioner, elected executive, or the member of the legislative authority of any charter county.

A more detailed memo explaining the process along with a sample Designation of Official Representative and Alternate Resolution and a sample letter for County Executives can be found on the Home (front) Page of the CCAO Website at [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org) **If you have not already done so, please send a copy of your resolution or letter designating your Official Representative and Alternate to Kathy Dillon, CCAO, 209 East State Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 or at [kathydillon@ccao.org](mailto:kathydillon@ccao.org) so that we may maintain a record of the names in our files for voting purposes.** Should you have any questions or to confirm that we have received a copy of your resolution or letter, please contact Kathy Dillon at 1-888-757-1904 or at [kathydillon@ccao.org](mailto:kathydillon@ccao.org)

The eight members whose terms to the Board expire this year include: The eight members whose terms to the Board expire this year include: Nick Kostandaras (Summit), Gary Lee (Union), Richard Myers (Henry), Ann Obrecht (Wayne), Otto Nicely (Defiance), Penny Traina (Columbiana), Tom Wheaton (Carroll), and Ronald Wyss (Hardin).

The nine members appointed by President David Dhume whose one year term to the Board expires at the end of this year include: Tony Anderson (Fayette), Steve Arndt (Ottawa), Thomas Graham (Jefferson), David Hartley (Clark), Ralph Jennings (Brown), Ted Kalo (Lorain), Jim Riepenhoff (Jackson), Dennis Stapleton (Delaware), and David Wesler (Preble).

Finally, the CCAO Nominating Committee Request Form and Candidate Questionnaire must be submitted by November 3, 2011 as follows:

PLEASE RETURN BY November 3, 2011 TO:

1. Paula Brooks, Franklin County Commissioner, 373 South High Street, Floor 26, Columbus, OH 43215-6314. **You may email your form to [paula.brooks@franklincountyohio.gov](mailto:paula.brooks@franklincountyohio.gov)**
2. In addition, **mail a copy to CCAO, 209 E. State Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, in an envelope marked: NOMINATING COMMITTEE – ATTENTION: KATHY DILLON.** You may email your form to: [kathydillon@ccao.org](mailto:kathydillon@ccao.org)

Additional forms may be obtained by contacting Kathy Dillon at (614) 221/5627 or on the CCAO Web Page at [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY SEMINAR SERIES: HOW TO COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY WITH LEGISLATORS

Join CCAO for the October 12<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Seminar Series – “How to Communicate Effectively with Legislators.” Gain insight from experienced lobbying professionals about the delicate art of communicating with and lobbying members of the General Assembly. In addition, learn first-hand from former county commissioners who are now serving in the General Assembly how best to stay in touch and work with lawmakers, how to communicate key issues affecting county government, and how to testify before the General Assembly on matters of importance. Attendees will also have an opportunity to practice testifying before a mock legislative committee in a statehouse hearing room.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday sessions are design to be very interactive, allowing ample opportunity for attendees to ask questions and have dialogue directly with the speakers. All sessions are free and parking is available in the lot adjacent to the CCAO offices. The seminar begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 12:30 p.m. Program details are attached to this issue of CIDS and posted 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 Tanya McComas, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at [tmccomas@ccao.org](mailto:tmccomas@ccao.org). Please include the name and title of those attending and the county, agency or company they represent.

## CCAO/CEAO WINTER CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS INFORMATION AVAILABLE

Join CCAO/CEAO for our 131<sup>st</sup> Annual Winter Conference to be held December 11-13, 2011 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC), 400 North High Street, in downtown Columbus. There have been some Conference format changes.

In the past, the Conference has ended on Wednesday at noon. To save county officials time away from the office and additional lodging cost, the Conference will end this year after the Tuesday Luncheon & Closing General Session. All meetings and the trade show will be held at the GCCC instead of the Hyatt Regency. Moving the conference venue opens up more opportunities for exhibitors to participate, because there are no load limits in the exhibit hall.

Another change is the hotel room blocks. The headquarters hotel will be the Hyatt Regency. The Sunday night reception, Monday night karaoke reception, hospitality suites, and a block of hotel rooms are at the Hyatt Regency. Additional blocks of hotel rooms have been held at the Crowne Plaza, Drury Inn, and the Hampton Inn & Suites. Hotel reservation information is located on the conference registration form. Please note the Conference format changes when making your hotel reservations.

CCAO/CEAO is pleased to announce that U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown has accepted our invitation to speak at the Monday, December 12 Luncheon and Opening General Session. In addition, Mark Kvamme, President & Interim Chief Investment Officer of JobsOhio, will speak at the Tuesday, December 13 Luncheon and Closing General Session.

### **Monday, December 12**

#### **CCAO Sessions**

- Cost Controls for Local Government: A Presentation by the Auditor of State’s Office
- Planning for Your Retirement
- SB 5 – Collective Bargaining (*if the law is not repealed*) or Reducing Workplace Staff Through Layoffs & Other Actions (*if the law is repealed*)

- Energy Conservation
- Wellness Initiative
- Impact of the Great Recession of Property Tax Revenue
- HB 66 – Sentencing Reform & Justice Reinvestment
- Government Structure Reform
- Employee Discipline & Best Practices for Workplace Investigations

**CCAO/CEAO/Affiliate Session**

- OPERS for Soon-to-be Retirees

**CCAO Annual Business Meeting & Election of Officers** will be held on Monday morning at 11:00 a.m.

**CCAO/CEAO Reception, Banquet & Installation of Officers** will be held on Monday evening at 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 13**

**District Meetings** – NW, SW & SE Commissioners & Engineers and the NE District Commissioners Associations will meet on Tuesday morning.

**CCAO Sessions**

- CCAO Legislative Update featuring Ohio Job & Family Services Director Michael Colbert speaking about “Work Participation Rates & a Potential Financial Penalty for Ohio”
- Shared Services: Changing the County Service Model Delivery Through Partnerships
- Oil & Natural Gas Developments: What the Frack are You Talking About? What Shale We Do?
- Working with the Media in Challenging Times

The agenda and registration materials have been posted at [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org). The agenda is updated frequently, - check back often. Click on the article on the front page. ***There have been a number of changes in the conference format, so please take some time to read the agenda.***

**CCAOSC NATURAL GAS PROGRAM BOARD OF PARTICIPANTS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

The Meeting of CCAO Service Corporation Natural Gas Program Board of Participants has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the CCAO Office, 209 East State Street, in Columbus. A savings analysis from the past year (for previous participants) will be presented by Palmer Energy, manager of the gas supply of the CCAOSC Natural Gas Program. A meeting announcement, agenda and other forms were sent to participating counties last week and posted on the front page of [www.ccao.org](http://www.ccao.org). Please note that attendance of all member counties is encouraged. Lunch will be served. So that we have an accurate lunch count and adequate seating, please RSVP your attendance by September 26, 2011 on the form that was sent to participating counties or contact Amanda Jones, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at (614) 220-7985, (888) 757-1904 or [ajones@ccao.org](mailto:ajones@ccao.org)

**2011 CCAO ROSTER CHANGES**

Please note the following change for the 2011 CCAO Roster:

**Morrow County** – Addition

Tom Whitson (R), County Commissioner, 187 Iberia Street, Mt. Gilead, OH 43338, (419) 947-4085, [twhez@aol.com](mailto:twhez@aol.com). Commissioner Whitson was appointed to complete the unexpired term of Rodney Clinger who resigned.

**CCAO Staff – Correction**

Kathryn Knight, CEBCO Wellness Coordinator, (614) 220-0645, [kknight@ccao.org](mailto:kknight@ccao.org). Please note the phone and email change.

**CCAO AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES**

2011 CCC/EAPA REGIONAL MEETING SCHEDULE

The County Commissioners’ Clerks and Engineer’s Administrative Professionals 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 conferences.

Regional information and networking luncheon meetings are a priority with CCC/EAPA. Topics will vary at each meeting and are held on Friday’s beginning at 10:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. CCAO/CEAO sponsors the lunch.

**SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 - BELMONT COUNTY**

Belmont Hills Country Club, 47080 National Road, Belmont County (St. Clairsville)

JoAnn Sikorski, Clerk/Administrative Assistant, Athens County Commissioners, (740) 592-3219 or [jsikorski@athenscountygovernment.com](mailto:jsikorski@athenscountygovernment.com)

**OCTOBER 28, 2011 - ALLEN COUNTY**

Johnny Appleseed Metropolitan Park District, 2355 Ada Road, Allen County (Lima) **(Note address change!)**

Kelli Singhaus, Clerk/Administrative Assistant, Allen County Commissioners, (419) 228-3700 ext 8827 or [ksinghaus@allencountyohio.com](mailto:ksinghaus@allencountyohio.com) or Laura Redick, Account Clerk and Receptionist, Allen County Engineer’s Office, (419) 228-3196 or [lredick@allencountyohio.com](mailto:lredick@allencountyohio.com)

Please email suggestions for agenda items to Carolyn Hauenstein, Clerk, Erie County Commissioners at (419) 627-7675 or [chauenstein@eriecounty.oh.gov](mailto:chauenstein@eriecounty.oh.gov) or Rhonda Slauterbeck, Clerk, Ottawa County Commissioners at (419) 734-6720 or [rslauterbeck@co.ottawa.oh.us](mailto:rslauterbeck@co.ottawa.oh.us) Bring any forms to the meeting that may be useful to share with other counties.

To obtain additional information about the CCC/EAPA, or if you are interested in serving on one of the committees, please contact CCC/EAPA President - Gail Crossen, Clerk, Ashland County Commissioners, at (419) 282-4220 or [gcrossen@ashlandcounty.org](mailto:gcrossen@ashlandcounty.org) or [www.ccc-esao.org](http://www.ccc-esao.org)

**STATE ACTIVITIES**

**AOS RESCINDS AOS STIMULUS TRACKER REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR AMERICAN RECOVERY & REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 (ARRA) – FEDERAL STIMULUS FUNDS**

Effective September 30, 2011, with the close of the federal fiscal year, Auditor of State David Yost’s office is rescinding the AOS Stimulus Tracker reporting requirements for American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) – Federal Stimulus Funds. Also effective on this date, the AOS is rescinding Bulletins 2009-005, 2009-007, and 2009-009, which includes guidance on using the AOS Stimulus Tracker.

When it was implemented, the AOS was able to work directly with auditees, as well as federal and state grant awarding agencies, to identify correct Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers and conditions for stimulus-funded programs. Additionally, AOS staff was able to detect and prevent

noncompliance with certain allowable activities and allowable cost provisions. Federal fiscal years 2010 and 2011 were the peak periods for distribution of stimulus funding across all federal agencies. Most stimulus programs will end on September 30, 2011, with only limited congressionally-approved programs continuing into federal fiscal year 2012. As of July 8, 2011, the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board reported Federal Agencies paid out 78 percent of total stimulus contracts, grants, and loans, and 83 percent of total stimulus entitlements.

With the majority of Federal stimulus funds spent by September 30, 2011, AOS auditors and independent public accountants have less need to identify new or higher risk single audits based on the flow of stimulus funds. Reporting to the AOS Stimulus Tracker is also redundant to reporting required by ARRA and the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA). Auditees should note, however, reporting required by ARRA and FFATA continue to apply. For more information about continued ARRA and FFATA reporting requirements, please refer to the terms and conditions of their individual federal awards and the summary of reporting requirements included in section L of Part 3 of the 2011 federal Office of Management and Budget's OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement available at: [www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/circulars/a133\\_compliance/2011/pt3.pdf](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/circulars/a133_compliance/2011/pt3.pdf)

Read the text of the OAS Bulletin 2011-003 at [www.auditor.state.oh.us/services/lgs/bulletins/2011/2011-003.pdf](http://www.auditor.state.oh.us/services/lgs/bulletins/2011/2011-003.pdf) If you have questions regarding the information in this Bulletin, please contact the AOS Accounting and Auditing Support Group at (800) 282-0370.

## **OHIO SUPREME COURT DECISIONS**

### **SUPREME COURT RULES FOR TOWNSHIP, TURNS ASIDE COUNTY APPEAL IN SEPARATE IMMUNITY CASES**

The Ohio Supreme Court refined sovereign immunity case law Tuesday in two separate cases involving automobile crashes.

In a case involving Clinton Township in Franklin County, the court ruled 6-1 that a township police officer could not be sued for his part in an accident that occurred as he was responding to an incident outside of his jurisdiction. Writing for the majority, Justice Robert Cupp said in the opinion that the officer, who was involved in a crash that injured two people, was covered under Ohio's sovereign immunity protections even though there was no mutual aid agreement between the two jurisdictions. The ruling upheld a decision by the 10th Ohio District Court of Appeals to dismiss the claims of the injured occupants of the other vehicle.

Under state law, Justice Cupp wrote, "a political subdivision is generally liable for injury, death, or loss caused by the negligent operation of a motor vehicle by one of its employees acting in the scope of employment. However, a political subdivision is granted a full defense to this liability ... if the employee was '[a] member of [the] municipal corporation police department or any other police agency [and] was operating [the] motor vehicle while responding to an emergency call and the operation of the vehicle did not constitute willful or wanton misconduct.'" "The only relevant issue before us ... is whether Carpenter could have been on an emergency call for purposes of (state law) in the absence of a mutual-aid agreement between Clinton Township and Franklin County," the justice said. "We agree with Clinton Township that a police officer's authority to make an arrest is different from a police officer's professional obligation to respond to a request for assistance and that a responding officer may provide assistance to another law-enforcement officer absent the authority to arrest."

Justice Paul Pfeifer noted in his dissent that state law provides that political subdivisions generally are liable for crash damages caused by on-duty police officers driving during non-emergency assignments. "I would hold that Officer Carpenter's well-intentioned foray outside his jurisdiction is included in that broad category of police

work that is not contained within the narrow exception to liability," he wrote. "The term 'emergency' cannot be used to describe a situation in which a police officer has no actual duty to respond, has no authority to make an arrest, and does not demonstrate to other drivers that he is responding to an emergency, i.e. does not use lights and sirens." While he has long argued that sovereign immunity is unconstitutional, Justice Pfeifer added, "I have accepted that that is a losing battle. But can we at least agree that the sovereign has no immunity where it is not the sovereign?"

In a separate case, the court split 4-3 in dismissing an appeal of a ruling that partially went against Medina County, which was sued over the condition of a roadway following a deadly accident. The dismissal let stand a 9th Ohio District Court of Appeals finding that the Medina County Common Pleas Court had correctly determined, in favor of the crash victims, that "genuine issues of material fact exist" regarding whether the county had kept East Road "in repair" at the crash site. The appeals court also ruled that the trial court had incorrectly determined the county had a duty to erect a guardrail along the curve in the road where the accident occurred.

Justice Terrance O'Donnell said in his dissent of the dismissal that the high court should have weighed in on the merits. "This case presents a question of great significance that affects political subdivisions and their residents across this state: whether a political subdivision may be deprived of its sovereign immunity and forced to defend against an allegation that a roadway it maintains contributed to an accident based only on the opinion of an expert that the roadway lacked adequate skid resistance," he wrote. Justice Evelyn Lundberg Stratton concurred in the dissent.

Justice Judith Lanzinger dissented separately, saying the county was entitled to a summary judgment on the grounds of immunity.

*Source: Gongwer New Service, Volume 80, Report 182, September 20, 2011.*

## **FEDERAL ACTIVITIES**

### **JOBS BILL TAX PROVISIONS**

On September 12, the Obama Administration submitted to Congress its new jobs proposal, "The American Jobs Act of 2011". Previewed during a joint session of Congress, the proposed bill language revealed provisions (some surprising) for local governments. Among them were:

- A cap on the amount of interest from municipal bonds that high-income earners can exclude from taxable income. Additionally, this provision would apply retroactively as well as on new bonds. If enacted, this provision could significantly increase state and local borrowing costs.
- An additional one year delay of the 3 percent withholding requirement. In May, the final regulations from IRS already delayed implementation to January 1, 2013. If the provision in the Jobs Act is passed, implementation would begin January 1, 2014.
- A payroll tax cut from 6.2 percent to 3.1 for employers. Federal, state and local government employers (other than State colleges and universities) are excluded from eligibility for the reduction.
- A payroll tax holiday for employers who increase their payroll from the last quarter of 2011 through 2012. Federal, state and local government employers (other than State colleges and universities) are excluded from eligibility.

For more information, contact Mike Belarmino, NACo Legislative Associate, at (202) 942-4254 or [mbelarmino@naco.org](mailto:mbelarmino@naco.org)

## NACo CAMPAIGN MEETING BUILDS SUPPORT FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

On September 16, NACo organized a coalition meeting with Ohio Senator Sherrod Brown to demonstrate the broad base of support for a strong Rural Development Title in the next Farm Bill. Senator Brown chairs the Senate Agriculture Committee's Subcommittee on Jobs, Rural Economic Growth and Energy Innovation. In this role, he has jurisdiction over the Rural Development Title of the Farm Bill. He also serves on the Senate Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, which has jurisdiction over rural development programs. The Senator thanked NACo Executive Director Larry Naake and other members of the Campaign for their commitment to rural development and pledged to collaborate with NACo and the Campaign to strengthen federal rural development programs in the next Farm Bill.

The Campaign for a Renewed Rural Development is a collaboration of 32 national organizations with a strong interest in the future of small town and rural America. NACo chairs the campaign and is working with these coalition partners to raise awareness in the Farm Bill debate about the critical need for rural development resources and program flexibility to help our nation's rural communities and regions compete in today's global marketplace and improve the quality of life for local citizens and businesses.

For more information, contact Erik Johnston, NACo Legislative Associate, at (202) 942-4230 or [ejohnston@naco.org](mailto:ejohnston@naco.org)

## ACTION NEEDED! CDBG FUNDING IN DANGER: CONTACT CONGRESS AND URGE THEM TO SUPPORT HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS CDBG LEVEL

Last week the House Appropriations Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (T-HUD) Subcommittee approved a T-HUD Appropriations bill that included \$3.5 billion for CDBG, this is a \$200 million increase over current level of \$3.3 billion for FY 2011. However, the Senate Appropriations Committee passed a T-HUD bill this week that included \$2.85 billion for CDBG, nearly a \$500 million reduction over current funding. This cut is in addition to the \$600 million cut CDBG sustained in FY 2011, which would total a 38% reduction in CDBG in two years.

Click here to read the alert and contact both your Senators and Representatives and urge them to continue the freeze in CDBG formula funding.

This program is in serious danger: Any reduction in CDBG funding would severely slow down and/or eliminate thousands of local and state projects and programs that contribute to our regional and national recovery.

For more information, contact Daria Daniel at [ddaniel@naco.org](mailto:ddaniel@naco.org) or (202) 942-4212.

## **NACo ACTIVITIES**

### PIPELINE PLANNING AND SAFETY SUMMARY REPORT AVAILABLE

The "Pipelines and Informed Planning Alliance (PIPA) Summary Report aims to help build county officials' capacity to improve transmission pipeline safety, especially through the development and implementation of local land use policies and practices. This publication conveys the findings of the PIPA Report (released in December 2010) and distills the information pertinent to county governments. To access the summary at [www.naco.org/research/pubs/Documents/Infrastructure%20and%20Sustainability/Pipelines-Report-June2011.pdf](http://www.naco.org/research/pubs/Documents/Infrastructure%20and%20Sustainability/Pipelines-Report-June2011.pdf) For more information, contact James Davenport, Program Manager – NACo Community Services, at (202) 661-8807 or [jdavenport@naco.org](mailto:jdavenport@naco.org)



## **SEMINARS/WEBINARS**

### **IMPROVING LOCAL AND STATE PARTNERSHIPS IN SENTENCING AND CORRECTIONS**

Faced with growing prison populations, shrinking budgets, and high recidivism rates, states are seeking strategies that improve public safety, hold offenders accountable, and use taxpayers' dollars wisely. Because some of these strategies can lead to larger county responsibilities, some states and counties are looking to develop more effective partnerships. Join NACo's webinar to learn about "Performance incentive funding," an idea which state fiscal incentives are provided to community corrections agencies or local entities to design and utilize community-based programs as alternatives to incarceration. Reinvesting state savings in community based programs that are evidence-based can improve public safety and control costs for both counties and states.

Join this NACo-sponsored webinar on Wednesday, September 28 from 2:00 to 3:15 p.m. To register, go to <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/127950002> For more information, contact Rebecca Hsieh, Associate – Community Services, at (202) 942-4279.

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS**

### **SYLLABUS**

2011-033

1. A county dog warden has no authority to receive by gift, devise, or bequest money or other property. If the terms of a gift or bequest of moneys specify that the moneys are to be placed to the credit of the dog and kennel fund or are for the benefit of the county dog warden, a board of county commissioners may accept the moneys and have them deposited in the county treasury to the credit of the dog and kennel fund.
2. Money received by a county for the housing, sale, and disposition of licensed dogs brought to the pound directly by their owners pursuant to R.C. 955.16-.17 must be credited to the dog and kennel fund. (1981 Op. Att'y Gen. No. 81-037 (syllabus, paragraph 5), approved and followed.)
3. Money received by a county for the redemption of a dog pursuant to R.C. 955.18 must be credited to the dog and kennel fund.
4. Money received by a county for the sale or adoption of a dog pursuant to R.C. 955.16 must be credited to the dog and kennel fund.
5. Fines collected for violations of R.C. 955.11, R.C. 955.21, R.C. 955.22, R.C. 955.23, R.C. 955.25, and R.C. 955.261 must be deposited in the county treasury to the credit of the dog and kennel fund.
6. Fines collected for a violation of a resolution or ordinance enacted by a county, township, or municipal corporation to control dogs must be distributed in accordance with R.C. 955.99(I) and are not credited to the dog and kennel fund.

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

### **HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR**

The Licking County Commissioners are seeking a qualified director to provide leadership and direction for the overall operation of Human Resources. This is an unclassified position that reports directly to the Board of Commissioners.

The Director will perform complex professional and administrative work directing all activities of the Human Resources Department to include Employee/Labor Relations, Recruitment, Worker's Compensation and Safety, Administration of Employee Benefits and Compensation plans as well as ensure compliance will all federal, state and local employment laws.

Qualified applicants must possess a Bachelor's Degree and four to six year's experience in human resources, business administration or a related field or an equivalent combination of education and experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities to perform the essential functions of the position. A minimum of two years of supervisory experience is required. Experience in the Public Sector and Certification in Human Resources (SPHR or PHR) are preferred.

Successful candidates will possess an extensive knowledge of Employee and Labor Relations Administration, Self-funded Health Plans (Medical, Dental and Vision) and Retro-Spective Workers' Compensation programs. For a detailed position description and starting salary information, please visit [www.lcounty.com](http://www.lcounty.com) or visit the Human Resources Department.

Final candidates will be subject to Licking County's pre-employment drug screen and background checks. Candidates should submit a cover letter (including salary requirements), resume and completed application no later than **October 3, 2011** to the Licking County Human Resources Department. Applications can be printed from the web site at [www.lcounty.com](http://www.lcounty.com) or picked up at: Licking County Human Resources Department, 20 South Second Street, 3rd Floor, Newark OH 43055. EOE.

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Sourcing Office (SO) is a Council of Governments organized under Ohio Revised Code Section 167. As a Council of Governments, SO is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors elected annually by the membership and it is audited by Auditor's Office of the State of Ohio. Sourcing Office is also a 501(c)(3) non-profit. SO offers flexible group purchasing programs to its participants.

The Executive Director, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, is responsible for fulfilling the mission of SO. As the public face of SO, the Executive Director will develop and manage numerous relationships with SO's key stakeholders, representing SO to its members, participants, partners, the public sector, and the community. Additionally, the executive director will develop and manage SO's budget, financial reporting, and ensure compliance with Ohio Law. For more information go to [www.sourcingoffice.org/sourcing\\_office\\_executive\\_director\\_search.aspx](http://www.sourcingoffice.org/sourcing_office_executive_director_search.aspx).

#### **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)



# Second Wednesday's

October 12, 2011

How to Communicate Effectively with Legislators

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Gain insight from experienced lobbying professionals about the delicate art of communicating with and lobbying members of the General Assembly. In addition, learn first-hand from former county commissioners who are now serving in the General Assembly how best to stay in touch and work with lawmakers, how to communicate key issues affecting county government, and how to testify before the General Assembly on matters of importance. Attendees will also have an opportunity to practice testifying before a mock legislative committee in a statehouse hearing room.

## PRESENTERS

**Brad Cole**, Managing Director of Research, CCAO  
**Thomas P. Pappas**, Thomas P. Pappas and Associates  
**Michael P. Morrison**, Government Advantage Group

## AGENDA—9:30-12:30

9:00 a.m.	Coffee
9:30 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions
9:40 to	Thomas P. Pappas, Thomas P. Pappas and Associates
10:40 a.m.	Michael P. Morrison, Government Advantage Group
10:40 a.m.	Walk to Statehouse
11:00 a.m.	Talk with Legislators
12:00 p.m.	Practice Testifying/mock hearing
12:30 p.m.	Adjourn, and lunch is on your own after the program

## LOCATION

All Second Wednesday's Seminars typically are held in the Board Room at the CCAO offices, 209 East State Street, Columbus 43215. **However, a portion of this program will be held at the Statehouse, approximately 2-3 blocks from the office.**

## HOW TO REGISTER

Register for this FREE program by email only to Tanya McComas at [tmccomas@ccao.org](mailto:tmccomas@ccao.org).

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