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DATES TO REMEMBER

- DECEMBER 7, 2014 **CCAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER, COLUMBUS** *(Held in conjunction with the CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference)*
- DECEMBER 8, 2014 **NW DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS & ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION
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GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER, COLUMBUS** *(Held in conjunction with the CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference)*
- DECEMBER 7-9, 2014 **CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW**, GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER, COLUMBUS
- FEBRUARY 8-10, 2015 **CCAO COMMISSIONERS TRAINING SEMINAR, SHERATON COLUMBUS AT CAPITOL SQUARE, COLUMBUS**
- FEBRUARY 21-25, 2014 **NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE, MARRIOTT WARDMAN PARK HOTEL, WASHINGTON, DC**

ASSOCIATION NEWS

CCAO/CEAO WINTER CONFERENCE PROGRAM

The CCAO staff is looking forward to seeing our members next week at the CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference which will be held on December 7-9, 2014 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC), 400 North High Street, in downtown Columbus. All meetings and the trade show will be held at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Our office will be open, but since most of the CCAO staff will be involved in the conference, access to emails will be limited. Your calls and emails will be answered as soon as possible. [Click here](#) for updated program information.

STATE ACTIVITIES

OHIO EPA TO SUPPORT OHIO MANUFACTURING WITH TWO GLASS RECYCLING GRANTS

Two new Ohio EPA grants will support increased glass recycling in Shelby and Union counties. Following the Shelby County Commissioners' \$600,000 investment in the Shelby County Recycling Center, Ohio EPA is contributing \$127,350 to help recover glass that would otherwise end up in landfills. The money will be used for new equipment that will help double the amount of glass recovered. The facility is expecting to increase the amount of glass that it processes from 250 tons to 500 tons per year.



In addition, a \$104,650 grant will go to the North Central Ohio Solid Waste District to purchase equipment at the Union Recyclers Waste Recovery facility, which it operates. This is expected to increase the amount of glass processed from 480 tons per year to 1,000 tons per year. [Read more...](#)

\$10 MILLION AVAILABLE THROUGH OHIO'S NEW SCHOOL MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Community organizations, faith-based groups and businesses are being asked to partner together to encourage mentorship in Ohio's schools and help give more students access to role models who can help motivate and inspire them. The Ohio Department of Education began accepting applications this week for the state's new \$10 million [Community Connectors](#) mentoring program. Applications will be accepted through February 20, 2015.



Nonprofit organizations from the faith-based and civic communities are eligible to lead a project. They must team up with a business and an eligible public school district (or school within an eligible district) to establish a mentorship program. Eligible school districts are those with a high percentage of students in poverty and a high number of students not graduating on time. All students within that district, regardless of socioeconomic status, will be eligible to participate in the program.

The state will hold several grant application seminars across the state to help organizations understand the program and application process. More information about the program can be found at www.CommunityConnectors.Ohio.Gov.

OCTOBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATES DECLINE IN 84 COUNTIES

As Ohio's unemployment rate continued to decline in October, all but four counties saw labor force increases, according to Department of Job and Family Services estimates. Unemployment rates decreased in those counties to a low of 2.7% in Mercer County and a high of 9.5% in Monroe County.

Brown County's unemployment rate increased to 5.2% from 5.1% in September, while Crawford County saw an increase from 5.3% to 5.7%, Jackson County from 6.5% to 7.1% and Ottawa County from 5.1% to 5.3%.

Six counties had unemployment rates at or below 3.5% in October, including Holmes Auglaize, Delaware, Hancock and Putnam counties, while Monroe, Jackson and Meigs counties faced unemployment rates at or above 7%, including.

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE ON CLIMATE PREPAREDNESS & RESILIENCE ANNOUNCES RECOMMENDATIONS

In late November, State, Local and Tribal Leaders Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience provided its recommendations to President Obama for how to improve climate resiliency across the U.S. These recommendations come following a year of soliciting input from communities, academic organizations and other stakeholder groups to understand people's first-hand experience dealing with climate-related issues and turn their stories into action items for the federal government to address.

Following the release of his Climate Action Plan in June 2013, President Obama created the Task Force in November 2013. The group consisted of 26 governors, mayors, county officials and tribal leaders, including three of NACo's Resilient Counties Advisory Board members which included Franklin County Commissioner Paula Brooks. The Task Force was charged with providing recommendations to the President on how the

federal government can address the needs of communities that are impacted by climate issues by eliminating barriers to investments in resilient infrastructure, improving federal grant and loan programs to better support local efforts and developing the information and tools needed to prepare for changing climate conditions. [Click here](#) for a copy of the report.

NACo ACTIVITIES

NEW NACo REPORT: COUNTIES DRIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH WITH TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE INNOVATIONS

NACo has recently released a new report, [Capital Investments: Counties Drive Economic Growth with Transportation and Infrastructure Innovations](#) that highlights six counties that are investing in critical projects to strengthen local and regional economies. America's counties play an essential role in developing transportation and infrastructure networks. Counties are responsible for building and maintaining 45 percent of public roads and nearly 40 percent of bridges, and are involved in the operations of 30 percent of public airports and nearly one-third of public transportation systems. Counties invest over \$100 billion each year building and maintaining public infrastructure, ranging from water and sewer systems to telecommunications and public utilities. [Read more...](#)

2015 NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE



The NACo Legislative Conference will take place February 21-25, 2015 at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, 2660 Woodley Rd NW, in Washington, D.C. NACo is excited to announce confirmed speakers Jason Grumet, founder and president of the Bipartisan Policy Center, and David Gregory, journalist and former moderator of Meet the Press. Grumet is respected on both sides of the aisle for his innovative approach to improving government effectiveness. His first book *City of Rivals: Restoring the Glorious Mess of American Democracy* — just released in September 2014 — will be his focus. Gregory will reflect and

share a look at the Obama Administration, Congress and politics in America. Registration opened on November 10. [More information...](#)

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

NEXT GENERATION 911: UPGRADING COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS WEBINAR

The popularity of landline telephones is dwindling, with more than 40 percent of households in the U.S. relying only on cellular phones. Over the last few decades, cell phones, VoIP and other methods of communications other have become the preferred method of communication. 911 technologies, however, have not kept up with the trend; though they can receive calls from cell phones and IP-based devices, call centers cannot locate where a call is coming from, and they cannot send and receive photos, text messages and videos.

Join NACo for a webinar on December 17, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. to learn how Next Generation 911 will allow your county to become more resilient and take advantage of new technologies, such as the ability to send and receive text messages, photos and videos, to improve public safety and emergency response. This webinar will provide county leaders and emergency managers with the information and strategies they need to know to modernize their 911 capabilities. [Register here...](#)

CLASSIFIEDS

CCAO publishes classified ads on our website and in CIDS. Classified ads will be published free of charge as a service to counties. Ads will be published on the website until the application deadline and for several weeks

in CIDS. When submitting your ad to CCAO, please provide a link to the online job posting and a deadline date. Email your classified ad to [Mary Jane Neiman](#), CCAO Public Relations Associate.

| Title /For More Information. . . | Employer/Application Deadline |
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| Senior Services Executive Director | Belmont County December 12, 2014 |
| JFS Executive Director | Athens County December 15, 2014 |
| Finance Director | Medina County December 17, 2014 |
| Budget Officer | Clark County December 17, 2014 |
| Engineer | Geauga County Until position is filled |
| Business Administrator | Clark County Until position is filled |
| Assistant Operations Superintendent | Licking County Until position is filled |
| County Administrator | Franklin County Until position is filled |
| Technical Study Director | Licking County Until position is filled |
| Student Help | Clark County Until position is filled |