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**CCAO/CAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE, GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER, COLUMBUS**

## ASSOCIATION NEWS

### MEDINA COUNTY TO HOST NE OHIO COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION ON APRIL 24

Join Medina County Commissioners Adam Friedrich, Patricia Geissman and Timothy Smith for a Northeast Ohio Commissioners Association Meeting on April 24, 2015 at the A.I. Root Candle Company, 623 West Liberty Street, in Medina. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. followed by a CCAO Legislative Update. After the meeting registrants will tour the [A.I. Root Candle Company](#) where lunch will be catered. Following lunch there will be a tour of [Castle Noel](#). Register no later than Friday, April 17. [Read more...](#)

### CAUV PRESENTATION: SMALL COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OPENS INVITATION TO ALL

The CCAO Small County Affairs Committee will meet on April 15, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the CCAO offices, 209 East State Street, in Columbus. Gloria Gardner, Assistant Administrator - Tax Equalization Division, from the Ohio Department of Taxation will speak about the proposed formula changes to the County Agricultural Use Value (CAUV). The formula changes will reduce 2015 valuation for taxes to be paid in 2016 to better reflect crop yields and prices, resulting in a 4.3 percent decrease in taxes per acre. An open invitation is extended by the Small County Affairs Committee Chair, Mike Bartrum, to all county commissioners, county executives, county council members, and other interested county officials to attend. **To assure adequate meeting space and lunches, please RSVP your attendance by April 10 to [Mary Jane Neiman](#), CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or (888) 757-1904.**

### REMINDER: ALL MEMBERS WELCOME TO ATTEND CCAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

This is a reminder that all county commissioners, county executives and county council members are welcome and invited to attend the CCAO Board of Directors Meetings. The next CCAO Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 3:00 pm at the CCAO Office. Members are then invited and encouraged to attend the 2015 [Ohio Council of County Officials \(OCCO\) Legislative Reception](#) being held at the Statehouse Atrium from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. *(Remember to RSVP for the OCCO Reception!)* If you plan on attending the CCAO Board of Directors Meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 3:00 pm at the CCAO Office, please RSVP to [Kathy Dillon](#), Office Manager & Boards' Liaison, on or before April 15. Also, please feel free to contact Kathy should you have any questions.

### OCCO LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION – APRIL 21 – NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH ACTIVITY



Mark your calendar and plan to attend the Ohio Council of County Officials (OCCO) Legislative Reception on Tuesday, April 21 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Statehouse Atrium in Columbus. Representatives from other OCCO member organizations will be in attendance as well as many members of the Ohio General Assembly. Also, we are hopeful that some of our State Office Holders will be in attendance.

The Ohio Council of County Officials (OCCO) is an organization that strives to unite the various associations representing county elected officials and judges, and promote sound, efficient, and fiscally responsible government. CCAO delegates to the OCCO are Commissioners Gary Lee (Union) and Debbie Lieberman (Montgomery).

County officials need to continually communicate and build partnerships with members of the General Assembly. Invite your state senators and state representatives to the reception! While you are in Columbus that day, please schedule appointments with your legislators to discuss issues of importance to your county and/or attend a Senate or House session. Don't miss this important opportunity to lobby the Ohio General Assembly during National County Government Month!

CCAO understands that many of you see your lawmakers regularly within your counties. We strongly encourage you to travel to Columbus on April 21 to physically show your support for your lawmakers, who will be looking to see if anyone from their district attended this important event.

Please **RSVP by April 14, 2015** to [Justin Long](#), Legislative Services Assistant for the Ohio Judicial Conference, at (614) 387-9756. [Read more...](#)

## APRIL IS NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH: RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT COUNTIES



National County Government Month is well underway and CCAO and NACo encourage counties across the country and hold activities and events to raise awareness about counties. Activities such as open houses at county facilities, conducting programs with schools, recognizing veterans and employees, and [issuing proclamations](#) help county leaders raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of county government. Since 1991, CCAO and NACo have encouraged counties to actively promote county government programs and services.

The 2015 national theme is “Counties Moving America Forward: The Keys are Transportation and Infrastructure,” which is the focus of NACo President Riki Hokama’s presidential initiative. Following the theme, counties will be showing their residents how they are at the forefront of strengthening transportation and the infrastructure fundamental to moving America forward. Counties play a key role in everything from moving people and goods to moving the economy forward.

**Meet with your member of the Ohio Congressional Delegation:** One activity that all counties should pursue during NCGM is to meet with their members of Congress. During those meetings, county officials should stress that federal policies matter to county government and county government matters to America’s local communities. They should know that county governments are responsible for the fundamental building blocks for healthy, safe and vibrant communities and that federal policy decisions have a major, cascading impact on county government. [Click here](#) for talking points.

**Meet with your member of the Ohio General Assembly:** All county officials are invited to attend the Ohio Council of County Officials (OCCO) Legislative Reception to be held on April 21 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Statehouse Atrium in Columbus. Arrive early to attend a hearing, Senate or House session, and schedule a meeting with your members of the Ohio General Assembly. Invite them to attend the reception with you. The reception is being co-sponsored by the Ohio Judicial Conference. [Read more...](#)

Send photos and articles about your National County Government Month activity to Communications Coordinator [Andrew Johnson](#) to post on CCAO’s social media sites.

## SOCIAL MEDIA CHALLENGES FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYERS

CCAO is pleased to offer a one-hour “Social Media Challenges for Public Employers” webinar on May 13 at 9:30 a.m. The session, presented by Jonathan Downes, an attorney with Zashin and Rich, will include case studies, the discipline of employees and the possible exposure for employers and the following points:

- Core principles to avoid social media liability,
- How to control public record requests of social media,
- New privacy laws on personal accounts,
- Using a friends list without liability,
- Hidden traps of personal blogs,

- Workplace speech not protected under the First Amendment,
- New legal rulings that change the way you send texts,
- Identifying the trip-wires for personal liability, and
- Avoiding liability from social media on personal devices.

Participants in the webinar may pose questions to the presenters who will respond during and after the power point presentation. [Click here](#) to register for this exceptional educational opportunity. There is no charge to attend the webinar.

If you experience difficulty in connecting to the link above and wish to register for the webinar, please email [Amanda Jones](#), CCAO Program Assistant, and provide her with your name, title, and email address. **Webinar participation is limited to the first 100 to sign-on to the webinar that morning.** For additional information regarding the topic for this webinar, please contact [Brad Cole](#), CCAO Managing Director of Research. [Read more...](#)

## AFFILIATE NEWS

### 2015 CCC/EAPA REGIONAL TRAINING – APRIL 24

Join the County Commissioners Clerks and Engineers Administrative Professionals Association (CCC/EAPA) at the first of three regional training sessions will be held on April 24 at the Rose Hill Restaurant, 7249 Wooster Pike - Route 3, in Medina County (Medina). The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. and is hosted by Peggy Folk, Clerk, Medina County Commissioners, and Gina Frimel, Secretary, Medina County Engineers Office. There is no charge to attend. Lunch is provided by CCAO/CEAO.

All the county commissioners' and engineer's office support staff members are encouraged to attend. These regional meetings and the CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference, held in December, are excellent opportunities for networking. The topics discussed at the regional meetings vary from the daily operations of the office to recent legislative updates.

RSVP your attendance to the meeting coordinator - [Gail Crossen](#), Clerk, Ashland County Commissioners Office - at (419) 282-4220. Information about the CCC/EAPA is available at [www.ccc-eapa.org](http://www.ccc-eapa.org) and there is also a yahoo group that is a resource for questions and answers. You can sign up at [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CCC\\_EAPA](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CCC_EAPA). For more information about CCAO's oldest affiliate organization, please contact 2015 CCC/EAPA President [Theresa Upton](#), Clerk, Lorain County Commissioners, 226 Middle Avenue, Elyria, OH 44035 or (440) 329-5103.

## STATE ACTIVITIES

### TREASURER CALLS ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PLACE CHECKBOOKS ON OHIOCHECKBOOK.COM

Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel invites local governments statewide to partner with his office and place their spending online at OhioCheckbook.com. Last year, Treasurer Mandel launched OhioCheckbook.com, which sets a new national standard for government transparency and for the first time in Ohio history puts all state spending information on the internet. OhioCheckbook.com recently earned Ohio the number one ranking in the country for government transparency.



Treasurer Mandel has sent a letter to cities, counties, townships, schools, library districts, and other special districts throughout the state calling on them to place their checkbook level data on OhioCheckbook.com and

extending an invitation to partner with his office at no cost to local governments.

The Treasurer's office is partnering with OpenGov, a leading Silicon Valley government transparency technology company, to provide residents of Ohio the ability to view and search local government expenditures in a user-friendly, digital format. For more information visit [OhioCheckbook.com](http://OhioCheckbook.com). [Read more...](#)

#### WILLIAMS NAMED DIRECTOR OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Jacqueline T. Williams has been appointed by Governor John Kasich to lead the Ohio Department of Commerce. Williams was chief of the Minority Business Development Division in the Ohio Development Services Agency (DSA). She replaces Andre T. Porter who was recently appointed to chair the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

As chief of the Minority Business Development Division in DSA, Williams has led Ohio's minority business development initiatives and worked with them to identify and apply for financial incentives. Williams previously served as executive director of the Ohio Liquor Control Commission, and as executive director of the Tuition Trust Authority. And she served as chief administrative officer for the Bureau of Workers' Compensation where she over-hauled the employee training division.

#### JOBSONIO RELEASES 2014 ANNUAL REPORT & 2015 STRATEGIC PLAN



JobsOhio has released its 2014 Annual Report & 2015 Strategic Plan and asked that we share it with you stating, "County Commissioners, County Executives and County Council Members are key partners in the economic development process." According to the report, in 2014, JobsOhio and its Network Partners successfully assisted 276 companies that committed to creating 21,377 new jobs, retaining 52,140 jobs, and adding \$6.1 billion of new capital investment in the state. These

new job and investment commitments represent nearly a 20 percent and a 72 percent increase, respectively, over 2013 year-end metrics. In 2015, JobsOhio will remain focused on accelerating job growth and increasing capital investment across businesses of all sizes and will ramp up efforts to strengthen workforce development programs.

[Click here](#) for the JobsOhio 2014 Annual Report & 2015 Strategic Plan. Questions? Contact JobsOhio Director of Government Affairs [Connie Wehrkamp](#) at (614) 769-2201.

#### HUMAN SERVICE COUNTY PROFILES UPDATED

The Center for Community Solutions has released an update to their human services county profiles. The human services county profiles highlight demographic projections, educational attainment, labor force participation, employment, income, poverty, and human services participation in each of Ohio's 88 counties. Profiles are available for download alphabetically and by region. Scroll down for a complete list of references and downloadable data files. View Ohio's Profile, featuring statewide data, [here](#).

#### **NACo ACTIVITIES**

#### NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION – REGISTRATION IS OPEN

NACo's 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Exposition will be held July 10-13 at the Charlotte Convention Center, in Mecklenburg County, (Charlotte) North Carolina. The Annual Conference provides county officials with a great opportunity to vote on NACo's policies related to federal legislation and regulation; elect officers; network with



colleagues; learn about innovative county programs; find out about issues impacting counties across the country; and view products and services from participating companies and exhibitors.



Registration is open. Register online to save \$25! The largest hotel blocks are at the Westin Charlotte Hotel (headquarters) and the Hilton Charlotte City Center Hotel. Room blocks have been held at seven other downtown hotel properties. Downtown Charlotte is a very walkable city with many dining opportunities. NACo will be encouraging walking throughout the conference. Shuttle service will be available running on a 20-25 minute schedule with stops at multiple hotels. The discounted **early bird registration deadline is May 29**, but waiting until this date will not guarantee your hotel reservation at your first choice hotel. For more information and to register online, [click here](#).

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

### WIOA IMPLEMENTATION SYMPOSIUM MATERIALS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Last month, the Area 7 Workforce Investment Board in cooperation with CCAO, the Ohio Job and Family Service Directors Association, MAXIMUS, and other workforce investment boards presented a “WIOA Implementation Symposium” for Ohio counties. MAXIMUS, a co-sponsor of the event, has uploaded the presentations given at the symposium and play-back audio recordings of each of the discussions on a webpage linked to the CCAO website at [www.ccao.org/wioa-symposium](http://www.ccao.org/wioa-symposium).

### MOVING FORWARD: LEGAL SOLUTIONS TO LAKE ERIE'S HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS

The Lucas County Commissioners are hosting a regional water presentation – “Moving Forward: Legal Solutions to Lake Erie’s Harmful Algal Blooms” - on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at the National Museum of the Great Lakes, 1701 Front Street, in Toledo. The presentation begins at 9:30 a.m. and ends at noon. The report identifies available legal tools under Ohio and federal law as potential solutions to Lake Erie’s environmental challenges. The report also provides recommendations for policymakers to address these issues throughout the Western Lake Erie Basin and Maumee River Watershed. RSVP your attendance to [Steve Spittler](#) at (419) 213-2155. [Read more...](#)

### OHIO EPA STRATEGY TO IMPROVE SERVICES



Join the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to learn more about the merger of the Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention (OCAPP) and the Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance (DEFA). During this webinar, Ohio EPA will discuss one of Director Craig Butler's priority initiatives

to create a "one-stop shop" environment within the agency for businesses and communities seeking technical and financial resources to help them achieve compliance. This webinar includes an audio broadcast feature, which means that you will listen to the audio using your computer speakers or headphones. You may send in questions using the chat feature of WebEx at any time during the event. To reach more attendees, two webinars have been scheduled. Registration is required. [Register here...](#)

- Wednesday, April 15, 2015 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 22, 2015 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

[Click here](#) for more information on the merger of OCAPP and DEFA.

**MANAGING INTEGRITY AND CIVILITY IN PUBLIC LIFE**



Join NACO for a webinar on “Managing Integrity and Civility in Public Life” on April 16 at 2:00 p.m. This webinar will examine the customary ways in which most people think of integrity and civility. Participants will explore the terrain beyond the common place and set the stage for more thoughtful focus on the qualities of values-based leadership. Specifically, integrity and civility will be developed as interdependent learned skills, not the product of innate talent or the natural inclination of well-mannered people. Webinar attendees will begin to develop personal definitions of both integrity and civility, which will be refined as new concepts are introduced. [Register here...](#)

**13<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL STATE OF THE REGION CONFERENCE**

Bowling Green State University’s Center for Regional Development (CRD) will host the “13<sup>th</sup> Annual State of the Region Conference” on Monday, May 4, 2015 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 6165 Levis Commons Blvd., in Perrysburg. A continental breakfast and networking begins at 8:00 a.m. with the program following at 9:00 a.m. and ending at noon. There is no charge for this event, however, space is limited and filling up fast. [Register here...](#)



The program will feature the State of the Region address by Michael Carroll, Ph.D., Director of CRD. Ezra Escudero and Christopher Long of the Ohio Development Services Agency will discuss the role of small business in economic development. They will also roll out the State of Ohio’s new strategic plan for small business development. Wendy Gramza of the Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce will moderate a panel of local business leaders that will discuss the opportunities and challenges facing small business firms in Ohio’s northwest region.

**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.

<b>Title /For More Information. . .</b>	<b>Employer/Application Deadline</b>
<a href="#">Executive Director</a>	Jefferson-Belmont Regional Solid Waste Authority April 17, 2015
<a href="#">Human Resources Administrator</a>	Lorain County April 17, 2015
<a href="#">Management Information Systems Manager</a>	Lorain County April 17, 2015
<a href="#">Human Resources Manager</a>	Ottawa County April 24, 2015
<a href="#">Human Resources Manager</a>	Tuscarawas County April 24, 2015
<a href="#">Public Assistance Case Managers</a>	Fairfield County April 24, 2015
<a href="#">LSC Telecommunications Fellowship</a>	Ohio General Assembly (Legislative Service Commission) May 31, 2015

<b>County Administrator</b>	Sandusky County Until position is filled
<b>Information Services Manager</b>	Lucas County Until position is filled
<b>Fiscal Coordinator</b>	Lucas County Until position is filled
<b>Building Code Inspector</b>	Wayne County Until position is filled
<b>Deputy Director of Program Integrity</b>	Lucas County Until position is filled
<b>Building and Electrical Safety Inspector</b>	Logan County Until position is filled