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### DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE 15, 2015

**NW OHIO COMMISSIONERS & ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY MEETING, HARDIN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS – COMMUNITY BUILDING, HARDIN COUNTY (KENTON)**

JUNE 17, 2015

**CCAO METROPOLITAN & REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, COLUMBUS TO BE HELD VIA A CONFERENCE CALL**

JUNE 24-25, 2015

**COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM, HYATT REGENCY, COLUMBUS**

JUNE 26, 2015

**CORSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS**

JULY 10-13, 2015

**NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE, MECKLENBURG COUNTY, CHARLOTTE CONVENTION CENTER, CHARLOTTE, NC**

JULY 12, 2015

**OHIO CAUCUS AT THE NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE, CHARLOTTE CONVENTION CENTER, MECKLENBURG COUNTY (CHARLOTTE), NORTH CAROLINA**

AUGUST 28, 2015

**CORSA ANNUAL MEETING, DOUBLE TREE, COLUMBUS/WORTHINGTON**

DECEMBER 6-8, 2015

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

### ASSOCIATION NEWS

#### COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM

CCAO is hosting a [County Economic Development Symposium](#) on June 24-25, 2015, at the Hyatt Regency, 350 North High Street, in Columbus. Please plan to attend and to extend an invitation to some of your key economic development partners (approximately 4 or 5, but if you would like to invite more, we can make accommodations), such as local business leaders; mayors; higher education leaders; chamber of commerce members; workforce development partners; county engineers, recorders, civil attorneys, and treasurers; school superintendents/ESC/JVS, and other key partners (i.e., port authorities, planning commissions, sanitary engineers, OSU Extension, etc.).



#### General Session Topics:

- **The Team Approach to International Economic Development** – *International economic development leader shares global perspective*

- **What Do I Need to Know About My Community?** – *Data you need to make smart economic development decisions*
- **What Do I Do with the Information?** – *You have the data, now what?*
- **Tying It All Together** – *Identify next steps for enhancing your community's economic development strategy*

Keynote Address:

- **Economic Development Lessons** – Mark Partridge, Ph.D., C. William Swank Chair of Rural-Urban Policy at The Ohio State University

Breakout Sessions

- **Land Banks** – *From blight to right*
- **Economic Gardening** – *The National Center for Economic Gardening shares new ways to approach economic development*
- **Energy as an Economic Development Strategy** – *Powering into the future*
- **Jobs in the Aerospace and Military Sector** – *How to support and grow military jobs*
- **Local Economic Development Incentives** – *Be smarter about incentives and give your community an edge*
- **Structural Models for Economic Development** – *What entity serves as your “front door” for economic development?*
- **Working with State Partners** – *State leaders discuss successful collaboration*
- **Water and Sewer: Leveraging Grants and Loans** – *Funding is always the big challenge – leave no stone unturned*
- **Infrastructure Challenges** – *Getting creative to meet infrastructure demands*
- **Workforce Development** – *Public/Private partnerships lead to employment success*
- **Broadband** – *High speed internet access is essential in the connected global economy*
- **Water and Sewer: Shared Services for Water, Sewer and Stormwater Projects** – *Explore options for shared service arrangements*

More program information can be found at [www.ccao.org/econ-dev-symposium](http://www.ccao.org/econ-dev-symposium).

[Click here](#) to register online.

For reservations at the Hyatt Regency Columbus, [click here](#) or call (800) 463-1234.

Please feel free to contact [Mary Jane Neiman](#), CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or (888) 757-1904 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there! [Read more...](#)

#### SHAREOHIO.GOV - REDUCE AND RECOVER COSTS ON HEAVY EQUIPMENT NEEDS

CCAO is pleased to offer a one-hour “ShareOhio.gov: Reduce and Recover Costs on Heavy Equipment Needs” webinar on July 8 at 9:30 a.m. The webinar will focus on ShareOhio.gov, a one-stop shop to help communities share resources, save taxpayer dollars and better utilize equipment. Since its rollout a year ago, ShareOhio.gov has gained widespread interest by governments across Ohio and the country. Join us to discuss ways ShareOhio.gov can help your community reduce or recover costs in underutilized specialty resources. Speakers will be from the Auditor of State’s Office.

There is no charge to attend the webinar. To register for this exceptional educational opportunity, please [click here](#). If you experience difficulty in connecting to the link above and you wish to register for the webinar, please email [Amanda Jones](#), CCAO Program Assistant, and provide her with your name, title, and email

address. Participation on July 8 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...](#)

### CCAO METROPOLITAN & REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – JUNE 17-via conference call

Lucas County Commissioner Pete Gerken, chair of the CCAO Metropolitan and Regional Affairs Committee, has scheduled a committee meeting on Wednesday, [TO BE HELD VIA A CONFERENCE CALL - June 17 – 9:00 a.m. \(new time\)](#) - **PLEASE RSVP**. The focus of the meeting will be on the state budget and key legislative issues of importance to metropolitan counties. If there are any additional topics/issues to add to the agenda, please contact [Kathy Dillon](#), CCAO Office Manager and Boards Liaison, at (614) 220-7998, (888) 757-1904 or fax (614) 221-6986.

### **STATE ACTIVITIES**

#### PSAP RULES PROPOSAL - ESINET STEERING COMMITTEE TO ACCEPT COMMENTS ON JULY 9

In compliance with ORC 128.021, the [draft 9-1-1 Public Service Answering Point \(PSAP\) Rules](#) will be presented to the ESINet Steering Committee on Thursday, July 9, 2015. Public comments will be accepted at the meeting for all public/stakeholders to voice their support, concern, suggestions, etc. If you are unable to attend the July 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, please submit any comments to [Ohio9-1-1@das.ohio.gov](mailto:Ohio9-1-1@das.ohio.gov) to be taken into consideration by the committee. After the meeting, the Committee will review the proposal and submit the rules to the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR). JCARR will also offer an opportunity for public/stakeholder comments. Additional background info on the ESINet Committee and next generation 9-1-1 can be found by clicking [here](#).

The ESINet Steering Committee Meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Transportation, 1980 West Broad Street - Auditorium, in Columbus. Schedule for the day:

- 11:00 a.m.-Noon: Normal agenda items and presentations by OARnet (ESINet design) and Tech. Sub-Committee (RFI Response)
- Noon-1:00 p.m.: Lunch (cafeteria on site)
- 1:00 p.m.: Public comment on PSAP Rules

The official meeting announcement and agenda will be distributed next week. For more please contact CCAO's representatives on the ESINet Steering Committee: [Ed Humphrey](#), Clermont County Commissioner, at (513) 732-7300 or [John Leutz](#), CCAO Legislative Counsel, at (614) 220-7994 or (888) 757-1904.

#### GASB 68 IMPLEMENTATION FOR ACCRUAL BASIS EMPLOYERS

The data necessary for implementation of this newest GASB 68 standard affecting how employers report pension liabilities will be available to the Ohio Public Employee Retirement System (OPERS) employers at the end of June via ECS. This data is needed for employers to calculate their proportionate share of pension-related activity for disclosure on their financial statements and related footnotes.



What employers need to do:

- Identify who, within your county, will need access to this information
- Have your delegated administrator create a new user, if necessary, and assign the role of "Online GASB Report" to that individual

- Delegated administrators should take great care to ensure they are only assigning the proper roles to individuals – especially if it is an outside entity to whom you will be granting access
- Contact your employer account representative with questions regarding access, or creating new users
- View GASB information available on [www.opers.org](http://www.opers.org) to familiarize yourself with this standard and determine if it applies to your organization

Why this is important? GASB is requiring compliance with this new standard for accrual basis employers beginning with fiscal years ending June 30, 2015. OPERS is making the necessary information available for affected employers to comply. No revisions to the Employer Manual have been made as a result of this Employer Notice. After you review this Employer Notice, contact Employer Outreach with questions at (888) 400-0965 or [employeroutreach@opers.org](mailto:employeroutreach@opers.org).

## **FEDERAL ACTIVITIES**

### HOUSE APPROVES PREEMPTION OF STATE AND LOCAL TAX AUTHORITY

On June 9, the U.S. House of Representatives passed [H.R. 235, the Permanent Internet Tax Freedom Act \(PITFA\)](#), by voice vote. NACo opposed the bill because it preempts state and local tax authority. NACo, along with several local government groups, sent a letter to Representatives to voice opposition to the legislation. PITFA would permanently extend the Internet Tax Freedom Act, which was a three-year moratorium enacted in 1998 on state and local taxation of Internet access and prohibited multiple or discriminatory taxes on electronic commerce. Since then, the moratorium was extended several times and is currently set to expire October 1, 2015.

In general, taxation of Internet access refers to applying state and local taxes to the monthly charge that subscribers pay for access to the Internet through an Internet Service Provider. The original intent of the Internet Tax Freedom Act in 1998 was to encourage development of the Internet, which at the time was a new technology. This justification is no longer applicable given the substantial advancements in technology that have occurred since.

Additionally, because of the broad definition of “Internet access” currently in the law, many things such as the ever-increasing number of goods and services being delivered over broadband that have nothing to do with accessing the Internet will be exempt from state and local taxation. This will result in increasing amounts of lost revenue that state and local governments rely on to fund essential services in their communities, like firefighters and police officers, schools, parks, libraries and continued investments to address aging infrastructure.

Attention now turns to the Senate where the bill’s path remains uncertain. Soon after the House passed the bill, the Senate sponsors of the Marketplace Fairness Act issued statements expressing support for consideration of extending the Internet Tax Freedom Act but only if coupled with the Marketplace Fairness Act (MFA). The MFA is a long-standing priority for NACo that would grant state and local governments with the ability to enforce existing sales tax laws on online purchases. Late in the 113th Congress, the Senate MFA sponsors introduced legislation that combined a 10-year extension of the Internet Tax Freedom Act with the MFA. However, the bill did not receive consideration before the end of the session.

NACo Resources:

Click [here](#) for the NACo Policy Brief on the Internet Tax Freedom Act.

Click [here](#) for NACo Marketplace Fairness state profiles.

## CONGRESS PASSES TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF MAP-21; SETS SIGHTS ON NEXT PATCH

On May 23, the Senate passed [H.R. 2353, the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2015](#), a bill to extend the current surface transportation law known as MAP-21 through July 31, 2015. The extension passed the House on May 19 and, following the Senate's vote, was signed into law by the President as Public Law No. 114-21 on May 29, diverting the expiration of MAP-21 which was scheduled to occur just two days later. Had Congress failed to act, spending authority for federal surface transportation programs would have expired and the Federal Highway Administration would have been unable to reimburse states for construction costs incurred after May 31, including costs associated with many county projects. Over the next two months, it's unlikely that Congress will be able to address the long-term solvency of the trust fund. Instead, Senate Republicans are already setting their sights on another short-term extension that will require additional revenue to keep the Highway Trust Fund solvent during its duration. [Read more...](#)

### **NACo ACTIVITIES**

#### SIGN UP FOR A 2015-16 NACo POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE!



Now is the time to get active in the National Association of Counties (NACo) by joining a policy steering committee! If you have an interest in a specific issue, expertise on a certain topic, or concerns about the impact of federal legislative and policy decisions on your county, then you should consider joining one of NACo's policy steering committees.

NACo member counties serving on one of these committees enables you to become actively involved in NACo's policy process. The steering committees begin the NACo policy process by reviewing federal legislation and policy, and making recommendations on issues that impact counties.

**If you are already a member of a committee, you must reapply now, as appointees serve one-year terms.** However, you can be reappointed to the same committee for consecutive years. This current nomination process covers appointments from August 2015 through July 2016. The NACo policy steering committees are listed below. [Click here](#) for a complete list of committee members or [here](#) for information about NACo's 10 steering committees.

- Agriculture & Rural Affairs
- Community, Economic & Workforce Development
- Environment, Energy & Land Use
- Finance Pensions & Intergovernmental Affairs
- Health
- Human Services & Education
- Justice & Public Safety
- Public Lands
- Telecommunications & Technology
- Transportation

Steering committee applications must be submitted to CCAO – **not NACo**. Here are the important points to remember:

- Fill out and submit a [NACo Steering Committee Nomination Form](#) to CCAO by Friday, **June 19, 2015**. Email your form to [Mary Jane Neiman](#), CCAO Public Relations Associate, or fax it to (614) 221-6986.
- Mark on the nomination form your first and second choices of steering committees



- Members of NACo affiliate organizations who want to serve on a steering committee should follow the same process.

CCAO makes every effort to accommodate your first choice of steering committee assignments. Committee appointees serve for one-year and cannot transfer membership to another committee, or serve on more than one steering committee, during that year. For more information, please contact Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or [mjneiman@ccao.org](mailto:mjneiman@ccao.org).

### CREDENTIALS INFORMATION FOR VOTING AT NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The [credentials \(voting\) information](#) for voting at the NACo Annual Conference to be held July 10-13, 2015 in Mecklenburg County (Charlotte), NC was mailed to NACo member counties last week. Credentials information was sent to the chief elected official (board chair) and clerk in every member county.

In order to vote, a county must have:

1. Paid its 2015 dues before the voting occurs and
2. Have at least one paid registration to the annual conference.

List the names of the voting delegate and alternate authorized to pick up your county's voting materials on the credentials form. There can only be one alternate designated on the form. If your delegate does not pick up the county's ballot, you may authorize CCAO to pick up and cast your vote by checking a box on the credentials form. ***All votes at the conference must be picked up by the deadline designated by NACo or the county will be unable to vote.***

Return the credentials form signed by the chief elected official in order to vote by Friday, June 19. If the member county does not submit the form to NACo by this date, have the voting delegate carry it to the conference and present it at the Credentials Desk located in the registration area at the Charlotte Convention Center. Please fax, mail or e-mail the Credentials (Voting) Form to [Alex Koroknay-Palicz](#), NACo Membership Coordinator, at (202) 393-2630 by **June 19, 2015**.

If you have any questions, please contact [Mary Jane Neiman](#), CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979.

### NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION

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.



Register online to save \$25! 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. For more information and to register online, [click here](#).

## **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

### **STEPPING UP: STRATEGIES TO MEASURE PREVALENCE & ASSESS THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES IN JAILS**

Join NACo on Tuesday, June 30, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. for the next webinar in the Stepping Up series to learn about key strategies for screening and assessing for mental illnesses in jail and methods for collecting and reviewing prevalence numbers to set baselines for tracking the numbers of people with mental illnesses in your jail. On this webinar, national and county behavioral health and criminal justice experts and practitioners will discuss how they are able to identify people with mental illnesses and co-occurring substance use disorders at jail intake and effective practices for screening and assessing for risk of recidivism. They will also outline effective methods to more accurately count the number of individuals with mental illnesses in their jails and how they have been able to use this information to inform policy, practice and resource allocation decisions. [Register here...](#)

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION**

### **SYLLABUS - 2015-019**

1. A board of county commissioners may not borrow moneys from a private, for profit company to purchase recycling carts and automated recycling trucks for a county solid waste management district.
2. Pursuant to R.C. 343.01(C), a board of county commissioners may lease recycling carts and automated recycling trucks for a county solid waste management district from a private, for-profit company.
3. Pursuant to a board of county commissioners' authority to equip county offices under R.C. 307.01-.02, a board of county commissioners of a county solid waste management district that deems it necessary to the proper and convenient conduct of the district may acquire recycling carts or automated recycling trucks by any of the means provided in R.C. 307.02, including a purchase by installment, a lease-purchase agreement, or a lease with an option to purchase.

## **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.

## **WELLNESS COORDINATOR**

The County Employee Benefits Consortium (CEBCO) was created by the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) to meet the needs of Ohio's counties in providing employee health and wellness benefits. CEBCO seeks an additional Wellness Coordinator to support continued growth of the program.

Job responsibilities: Research, create and implement wellness programs for multiple counties. Compile and analyze medical data relevant to a wellness program. Design employee communication materials appropriate to county wellness programs. Develop and deliver health and wellness educational programs. Assist counties in creating their own programs relevant to their population.

Qualifications: College Degree in related field with a preference for Nursing or comparable clinical-based orientation. Experience in managing Health and Wellness programs. Valid Ohio Driver's License and ability to meet Ohio Insurance Licensure requirements.

CCAO/CEBCO offers an excellent benefits package and is located in the heart of downtown Columbus with free on-site parking. Please send resume and cover letter indicating salary requirements to [Amanda Jones](#), CCAO Program Assistant, on or before July 3, 2015. We are an equal opportunity employer.

| <b>Title /For More Information. . .</b>    | <b>Employer/Application Deadline</b>                      |
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| <b>Control Systems Technician I</b>        | Warren County<br>June 17, 2015                            |
| <b>Director of Economic Development</b>    | Lucas County<br>June 26, 2015                             |
| <b>Deputy Fiscal Officer</b>               | Mansfield/Richland County Public Library<br>June 26, 2015 |
| <b>Building Inspector 2</b>                | Union County<br>June 30, 2015                             |
| <b>Emergency Communications Supervisor</b> | Warren County<br>July 3, 2015                             |
| <b>Emergency Communications Operator</b>   | Warren County<br>July 3, 2015                             |
| <b>Emergency Communications Call Taker</b> | Warren County<br>July 3, 2015                             |
| <b>Planner</b>                             | Trumbull County<br>Until position is filled               |
| <b>JFS Director</b>                        | Delaware County<br>Until position is filled               |
| <b>Economic Development Director</b>       | Delaware County<br>Until position is filled               |
| <b>Eligibility Referral Specialist II</b>  | Holmes County<br>Until position is filled                 |
| <b>Chief Building Official</b>             | Lake County<br>Until position is filled                   |
| <b>Dog Warden</b>                          | Licking County<br>Until position is filled                |