



## NACA News Update – August 2017

### New NACA Leadership

During the NACA General Membership Meeting at this year's NACo Annual Conference, NACA members elected new members to the NACA Executive Board. Most notably, Hannes Zacharias, County Manager, Johnson County, Kansas, took over the role of NACA President. On behalf of the association, NACA President Hannes Zacharias extended gratitude to NACA Past President Peter Austin for his years of leadership, thanking Pete for his support and enthusiasm for NACA and the profession, noting his focus and success in advancing NACA events at NACo and ICMA events and expanding corporate partnerships. [Click here to see the current board members.](#)

### Health Care Reform in 2018 and Beyond

This special education session, presented by NACA during the NACo Annual Conference, provided an overview of the current health care environment, the differences between the Affordable Care Act (ACA), the Better Care Reconciliation Act (BCRA), and the American Health Care Act (AHCA), and discussed these hot topics: U.S. tax reform; wellness rules; employee coverage under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA); prescription pricing; paid leave; nondiscrimination rule issued in May 2016.

Cigna generously provided NACA with the presentation used during this session. It is available to NACA members upon request by emailing [NACA@icma.org](mailto:NACA@icma.org).

### NACA Members at the 2017 NACo Annual Conference

NACA Members were leading the conversation and engaging the profession at this year's NACo Annual Conference in Franklin County/Columbus, Ohio. [Check out this article](#), which captures some of the many moments featuring NACA members in pictures, and this [ICMA Blog post featuring NACA](#). Also, don't forget to [check out the summary of the Idea Exchange](#).

### NACA Member in the News

The Center for the Future of Arizona (CFA) recently announced four recipients of its Gabe Zimmerman Public Service Awards for 2017. Among the recipients was Cynthia Seelhammer, County Manager, Coconino County, Arizona, who received the Civic Leader Award. [Read more here.](#)

If you or another NACA member have been featured in the news, whether locally or nationally, in print or online, let us know at [NACA@icma.org](mailto:NACA@icma.org) so that we can share your accomplishments and stories with your colleagues.

## Upcoming Event: 2017 ICMA Annual Conference

**When:** October 22-25

**Where:** Bexar County/San Antonio, Texas

Below is the current of schedule of NACA events. [Check here regularly](#) for updated times and locations. [Register here](#) and [see the full schedule of events](#) for the ICMA Annual Conference.

**Please submit topics you think should be discussed during the Idea Exchange on Sunday, July 23. Email us at [NACA@icma.org](mailto:NACA@icma.org) or tweet us [@NACA\\_ICMA](https://twitter.com/NACA_ICMA).**

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Executive Board Meeting	Sunday, October 22	8:30am to 11am	214 C
County Administrators' Idea Exchange	Monday, October 23	12:45pm to 2:45pm	224
<b>SESSIONS LED BY NACA MEMBERS</b>			
ICMA University Workshops: Process Mapping: A Hands-On Class to Improve Efficiency and Effectiveness	Saturday, October 21	8:30am to 12noon	225 C
Special Event: Assistants' Luncheon - There Is No One Way to the Top: A Look into the Career Jungle Gym	Monday, October 23	11:15am to 12:30pm	301 ABC
Educational Session: Manager- Proofing Your Relationship	Monday, October 23	12:45pm to 2pm	304 ABC
Educational Session: Preventing a Mental, Emotional, and Behavioral Health Crisis through Integrated Treatment	Monday, October 23	2:30pm to 3:40pm	Hemisfair C3
Educational Session: Long-Term Forecasts for Counties and Cities: They Work!	Tuesday, October 24	11am to 12:15pm	302 ABC
Educational Session: Your Town's Not Too Small to Plan	Tuesday, October 24	3:30pm to 4:40pm	217 ABC

## Top Three Upcoming Grants for Local Governments, Plus the Importance Planning Ahead

NACA is partnering with The Ferguson Group and eCivis to host a webinar in early September on how to prepare for three federal grant opportunities expected to be released in the coming months. The webinar will also cover the importance of annually preparing a calendar of priority grants for your community and how planning ahead can boost your community's grants success.

The featured top three grants are:

- Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery Grants (TIGER)
- Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG)
- Brownfields Assessment Grants

Webinar Presenters:

- Ryan Baird, eCivis, Executive Director
- Karl Kalbacher, The Ferguson Group, Director of Environment, Economics and Grant Services
- Heidi Schott, The Ferguson Group, Senior Associate and Manager of Grant Services

Date, time, and registration information will be available soon on the [NACA website events page](#).

## Sign Up for a New NACA Service

NACA is partnering with eCivis to develop a new professional development service, the NACA Registry. This service will make it possible for NACA members to easily network and ask for assistance from fellow members. The service will be free to use and is on track to launch by late October.

If you would like to get in on the ground floor and be one of the first users of this program, please contact [NACA@icma.org](mailto:NACA@icma.org) with your contact information and eCivis will provide further information.

## Mark Your Calendars: SLGE's Retirement (In)Security Summit

**When:** Monday, October 2, from 12 noon to 4:30 pm

**Where:** 660 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, District of Columbia, 20002, United States

As the population ages, retirement security issues have become a growing concern for state and local governments. Join SLGE for a free Retirement (In)Security Summit to explore the implications of changing demographics, pension and health benefit trends and issues, and strategies for boosting retirement savings. For more information and to register, click [here](#).