



NACA News Update – February 2017

NACA Scholarships Available for 2017 ICMA Emerging Professionals Leadership Institute

With the generous support of ICMA-RC, NACA is pleased to offer five scholarships, one for each of the five regions where ICMA will host the Emerging Professionals Leadership Institute (EPLI) this spring. [Download the application here](#) and submit as directed, following the deadline schedule outlined below. The scholarship of up to \$1,500 will cover registration, hotel, and travel expenses. [Learn more about EPLI here](#).

Application Deadlines:

- [Midwest Region](#) (Elk Grove, IL – March 8-9) – **February 1, 2017** (*awarded*)
- [West Coast Region](#) (Burlingame, CA) - March 22-23) – **February 15, 2017**
- [Northeast Region](#) (Newport, RI – April 5-6) – **March 1, 2017**
- [Southeast Region](#) (Gatlinburg, TN - April 26-27) – **March 22, 2017**
- [Mountain Plains Region](#) (Sandy, UT – May 3-4) – **March 29, 2017**

Welcome the 2016 Midwest Region EPLI Scholarship Winner

With generous support from [ICMA-RC](#), NACA has offered the Midwest Region ICMA EPLI Scholarship to Justyn Miller, Assistant to the County Administrator, Boone County, Illinois. Please, join the NACA Executive Board in extending Justyn congratulations in receiving this opportunity for personal and professional development.

Upcoming Event: 2017 NACo Legislative Conference, Washington, DC

February 25 - March 1, 2017: [Click here to view the entire conference agenda](#). Below is the current of schedule of NACA events. [Check here](#) regularly for updated times and locations.

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Meetings with NACo Leadership	Friday, February 24	9am to 11:30am	NACo Headquarters 660 North Capitol Street, NW Suite 400
Meetings with ICMA Leadership & Lunch	Friday, February 24	12noon to 2pm	ICMA Headquarters 777 North Capitol Street, NE Suite 500
Executive Board Meeting	Saturday, February 25	3pm to 5pm	Marriott Wardman Park Congressional Room

Idea Exchange	Sunday, February 26	2:30pm to 5pm	Marriott Wardman Park Washington 2
Reception sponsored by ICMA-RC	Sunday, February 26	5:30pm to 6:30pm	Marriott Wardman Park - Balcony A
No Host Dinner	Sunday, February 26	7pm	TBD - Cleveland Park/Woodley Park area

SESSIONS LED BY NACA MEMBERS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Panel on North Carolina Counties' Response to and Early Recovery from Hurricane Matthew	Saturday, February 25	11:30am to 1pm	Marriott Wardman Park Roosevelt 5
Managing Your County Manager: How to Retain Management Talent	Monday, February 27	10:45am to 12noon	Marriott Wardman Park Lincoln 5
Revenue Caps, Mandates and More: Lessons Learned and County Revenue Solutions	Monday, February 27	1:45pm to 3pm	Marriott Wardman Park Delaware Suite A/B

Mark Your Calendars: 2017 NACo and ICMA Annual Conferences

- The 2017 NACo Annual Conference & Exposition will be held in Columbus/Franklin County, Ohio, from July 21 - 24, 2017. [Click here to learn more and stay up to date with developments](#). If you have suggestions for sessions you would like to lead, please contact [Emilia Istrate](#), NACo Director of Research and Outreach and liaison to NACA.
- The 2017 ICMA Annual Conference will be held in San Antonio/Bexar County, Texas, from October 22-25. [Click here to learn more and stay up to date with developments](#).

NACA Members in the News

This month, we featured two members:

- Dena Diorio, County Manager, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, was named by *Charlotte Magazine* as "the Budget Maker" in their article, "50 Most Powerful People in Charlotte." She is listed at number 13 on the list. [Click here to read more about this featured member](#).
- Keith Van Beek, Assistant County Manager, Ottawa County, Michigan, was elected president of the [Michigan Municipal Executives \(MME\)](#), a nonprofit organization representing local government professionals in the state. [Click here to read more about this featured member](#).

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 so that we can share your accomplishments and stories with your colleagues.

NACo Launches Counties Futures Lab

NACo President, The Hon. Bryan Desloge, announced the launch of the NACo Counties Futures Lab, saying, "The Counties Futures Lab will build on the NACo Research Department's existing products to explore the evolving fiscal, economic, political and policy issues that shape the future of county government. The

Counties Futures Lab, grounded in analytics, data and knowledge-sharing, will focus on critical county governance and management issues to position county leaders for success.” [Read the full statement here.](#) [Access the Counties Futures Lab here.](#)

SLGE Case Study on Healthcare for Prison Populations

The Center for State & Local Government Excellence (SLGE) recently released a case study, “Hampden County, Massachusetts: Enrolling Jail Populations in Health Coverage.” The Hampden County Correctional Center has experienced decreases in both reincarceration rates and their total inmate population due to their efforts. [Read the full case study here.](#)

ICMA lists 20 Takeaways from Outlook 2017

[Outlook 2017: State & Local Government Market Forecast](#), an annual, two-day event hosted by *Governing* magazine examined the financial, social, and economic issues and trends that will define the public-sector market for the coming decade and beyond. [Read the full article here.](#)

DOT Designates Counties Among Leaders in Automated Vehicle Technology

The United States Department of Transportation (DOT) has designated 10 “Proving Grounds” for the developing technologies related to autonomous vehicles. These designees were selected from a pool of over 60 applicants ranging from academic institutions to regional partnerships, including counties. [Read more here.](#)

County to Provide Free Public Wi-Fi

Miami-Dade County has approved a partnership with CIVIQ Smartscapes to provide free public Wi-Fi throughout its public transit system. [Read more here.](#)

ICMA Seeks Assistance for Research Project

ICMA is working with New York University on a project highlighting examples of communities that leverage funding from multiple federal programs to advance a local or regional economic development strategy. Contact [Jelani Newton](#) by **February 20**, with potential cases or for additional information about this research effort. [Read more about this research project here.](#)