



NACA News Update – March 2017

NACA Scholarships Still Available for 2017 ICMA Emerging Professionals Leadership Institute

With the generous support of [ICMA-RC](#), NACA is pleased to offer scholarships for each of the five regions where ICMA hosts the Emerging Professionals Leadership Institute (EPLI) this spring. **Submit your application** 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:

- [Southeast Region](#) (Gatlinburg, Tennessee - April 26-27) – **March 22, 2017**
- [Mountain Plains Region](#) (Sandy, Utah – May 3-4) – **March 29, 2017**

Past NACA Scholarship Recipients Making Waves in Local Government

- Dolly Catlin, recipient of the 2015 Midwest ICMA EPLI Scholarship, is now serving as the Transit Commission Manager for Dunn County, Michigan. [Read a letter Dolly recently wrote updating NACA and ICMA on her career.](#)
- Jason Lawrence, recipient of the 2016 Tom Lundy Scholarship, is now serving as the Finance Manager for the City of Lake Helen, Florida. [Read a letter that Jason wrote to NACA](#) after attending the 2016 ICMA Annual Conference.

Recap of the 2017 NACo Legislative Conference

NACA Members were leading the conversation and engaging the profession at this year's NACo Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. [This article captures some of the many moments featuring NACA members in pictures.](#) Also, you can listen to the session, "Revenue Caps, Mandates and More: Lessons Learned and County Revenue Solutions," featuring Tim Hemstreet, NACA President-Elect and County Administrator, Loudoun County, Virginia, [by clicking here.](#)

Check out the [summary of the NACA Idea Exchange](#). Topics included:

- Driverless Vehicles
- Cybersecurity Training / Risk Reduction
- State and Federal Financing Issues at the Local Level
- Immigration Issues: Sanctuary Communities / Labor & Economic Impacts
- Electronic Voting for Board Members
- Drone Programs

Note: Additional information on immigration topic: [analysis by NACo](#) and [review by the Migration Policy Institute \(MPI\)](#) regarding the executive order, “Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States.”

Mark Your Calendars: Upcoming Conferences

- Registration is open for the [2017 ACS Data Users Conference](#), being held in Alexandria, Virginia from **May 11-12**. There is no registration fee for the conference, though space at the conference is limited and registration is on a first come/first served basis. [The registration deadline is May 5](#).
- Registration is now open for the [2017 NACo Annual Conference & Exposition](#) to be held in Columbus/Franklin County, Ohio, from **July 21-24**. Take advantage of the [early bird registration fee!](#)
- 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](#).

NCSL Opens an Autonomous Vehicles Legislative Database

The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) has started a continuously updating database for state autonomous vehicle legislation, [a topic of interest at the past two NACA Idea Exchanges](#), introduced in the 50 states and D.C. You can search legislation using multiple filters. [Check it out here](#).

ICMA *Local Gov Life*, Podcast Episode 6: The Next Generation of Leaders

ICMA's latest *Local Gov Life* podcast explores the next generation of leaders and what managers can do to attract and retain young talent. [Check it out here](#).

New NACo Report Tracks Cost & Governance of Counties' 911

A new report on emergency 911 released by the recently launched [Counties Futures Lab](#) examines the role counties play in the operation of emergency call centers and the difficulties they are facing due to decreasing funds and advances in telecommunications technology. [Read more here](#) and [check out the full study](#).

County Addresses a Need for Identity

Officials in Calhoun County, Michigan, have recently approved a pilot program that will allow those in crisis to obtain vital records and state identification cards at no personal expense. [Read more here](#).

Cyber Security: Developing Solutions

Federal lawmakers have introduced a bipartisan bill that would offer grants to state and local governments to help bolster cybersecurity protections. [Read more here](#).

Host or Share a Local Government Management Fellow (LGMF)

Joining the LGMF grants you access to top quality candidates from schools nationwide. LGMF finalists are MPA/MPP graduates screened by city and county managers, alumni Fellows, and academics sent directly to you for consideration

and interview. [Learn more from ICMA about hosting a Fellow](#). Jurisdictions can also consider [sharing a Fellow](#).