



NMC staff completed a retreat which began with envisioning connectedness and belonging, recognizing existing strengths, and ending with team bowling!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Pre-Legislative Conference Workshops

- Behavioral Health
- Legislative Process & Updates
- Finance & Audits

Wednesday, January 16th

8:30-9:45 a.m. & 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Santa Fe Community Convention Center

Curry County Manager Lance Pyle was re-elected as the chair for the Workers' Compensation Fund Board of Directors.

San Juan County Commission appointed Mike Stark as the new County Manager starting January 1. CEO Kim Carpenter is retiring at the end of this year after serving with the county over 14 years. Congratulations to both!

Leadership New Mexico Now Recruiting for 2019-2020

Deadline Friday, March 15, 2019

Core Program (Tuition \$3,500)

Established leaders from all parts of New Mexico; in-depth, nonpartisan, educational experience
10 Months, 6 Sessions, 6 Unique Communities
Top Speakers & Educational Tours [Learn More-Core](#)

Connect New Mexico (Tuition \$1,600)

Young professionals (ages 25 to 40) from around the state to develop leadership skills, explore key issues facing New Mexico, and more.
6 Months, 3 Sessions, 3 Unique Communities
Top Speakers & Educational Tours [Learn More- Connect](#)

Contact 505.398.1500 | leader@leadershipnm.org

EPA releases proposed Waters of the U.S. Rule

The EPA's proposed new Waters of the U.S. rule would create six categories of regulated waters and includes 11 exemptions. NACo is currently in the process of developing a comprehensive analysis of the new proposed definition.

Apply now: EPA announces FY 2019 Brownfields Program grant opportunities

The FY 2019 Brownfields Multipurpose, Assessment and Cleanup competitive grant competition is open through Jan. 31, 2019.

NACo releases new presentation: 5G Wireless Broadband 101

The 5G network buildout will require nearly one million small cell installations over the next decade, placing considerable administrative strain on local governments' ability to process the exponential increase in applications.

January NM EDGE Enrollment Closes on Thursday, January 3, 2019

For a list of classes offered click

[January 2019 Road Map to Certification link.](#)

Classes at the Drury Plaza Hotel
828 Paseo De Peralta Santa Fe, NM
NM EDGE Graduation at Convention Center
January 17, 2019

Register by Dec. 20 for Early Bird 2019 NACo Legislative Conference

March 2-6, 2019 | Washington Hilton | Washington, D.C.

[REGISTER TODAY](#)

[VIEW SCHEDULE](#)

Webinars

Jan. 10 [Evidence-Based Policymaking Part 2: Using Evidence in Budgeting & Contracting](#) 12 p.m. — 1:15 p.m. MT

Feb. 7 [Evidence-Based Policymaking Part 3: Delivering Effective Programs & Monitoring Outcomes](#) 12 p.m. — 1:15 p.m. MT

Link to County [Employment Opportunities](#)

New Employee at the County? Email Clarissa Baca at cbaca@nmcounties.org with their contact information and affiliate interest.

Job Posting? Email info@nmcounties.org for posting on our website for up to 30 days.

Did someone forward you this email? [Sign up](#) here.



2019 Legislative Conference - Registration NOW OPEN! Registration is \$225

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NMLR Alert: Legislation May Be Pre-filed December 17, 2018 - January 11, 2019

December

Mon. Dec. 24-25 NMC Closed Christmas Holiday

January

Tues. Jan. 1 NMC Closed New Year Holiday

Mon. Jan. 14-17 NMC Legislative Conference, Santa Fe Community Convention Center, Eldorado Hotel

Mon. Jan. 14-16 NM EDGE Classes Drury Inn

Tues. Jan. 15 2019 Legislative 60-day Session begins 12 p.m.

Tues. Jan. 15 Multi-Line Membership meeting, 8 a.m. Eldorado Hotel

Tues. Jan. 15 NMC Board of Directors meeting, 2 p.m. Eldorado Hotel

Thurs. Jan. 24 NMC Executive Committee teleconference 1 p.m.

Thurs. Jan. 31 NMC Executive Committee teleconference 1 p.m.

February

Thurs. Feb. 7 NMC Executive Committee teleconference 1 p.m.

Thurs. Feb. 14 Bill introduction deadline

Fri. Feb. 15 New Mexico County Day at the State Legislature

Sat. Feb. 16 NMC Board of Directors meeting, 8:30 am Santa Fe

Thurs. Feb. 21 NMC Executive Committee teleconference 1 p.m.

Thurs. Feb. 28 NMC Executive Committee teleconference 1 p.m.

March

Sat. Mar. 2-6 NACo Legislative Conference, Washington DC

Ag Producers Federal Program Assistance

Sign up for financial assistance under special conservation initiatives for fiscal year 2019 [Environmental Quality Incentives Program \(EQIP\)](#) by **Friday, January 18, 2019**. Visit your local [USDA Service Center](#) and submit your [Conservation Program Application \(NRCS-CPA-1200\)](#). You can find more Programs at [NRCS Programs](#). For more information about NRCS New Mexico visit [NRCS New Mexico](#).

Available New Mexico Grants

[Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Adult Treatment Drug Courts and Adult Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts](#) by January 4, 2019

[Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Family Treatment Drug Courts](#) by January 4, 2019

[Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans](#) by January 10, 2019

[Rural Communities Opioid Response Program - Planning](#) By January 15, 2019

USDA 2019 Collaborative Forest Restoration Program Request for Grant Applications

On public and tribal lands
Due by 5 p.m. MT Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Approximately \$3 million will be awarded

Contact for more information:

Forest, City	Coordinator	Phone
Carson, Taos	Raul Hurtado rehurtado@fs.fed.us	575-758-6344
Cibola, Albuquerque	Ian Fox ifox@fs.fed.us	505-346-3814
Gila, Silver City	Julia F. Rivera jfrivera@fs.fed.us	575-388-8212
Lincoln, Alamogordo	Mark Cadwallader mcadwallader@fs.fed.us	575-434-7375
Santa Fe, Santa Fe	Reuben Montes rmontes@fs.fed.us	505-438-5356

website at www.fs.usda.gov/goto/r3/cfrp

SAVE THE DATE: County Day at the Roundhouse February 15, 2019!

- Only 12 spaces available; 2 counties/table
- Counties without a designated day considered first
- West Halls of History and a block of time in the rotunda from 12:30 p.m. — 2:00 p.m. Contact Aelysea Webb, awebb@nmcounties.org to reserve your space!

TrueConnect Loan Benefit Program

Need to secure a small loan quickly when unexpected emergencies arise? Have poor credit or no credit?

NMC has partnered with TrueConnect

- safe, affordable alternative to payday loans
 - works through payroll deduction
 - paid off in 12 months (\$1,000 to \$3,000 loans)
 - helps employee establish good credit
 - includes free financial education and credit counseling
- Find out if your county has this offer. Contact Susan Mayes, smayes@nmcounties.org