

# News Brief August 8, 2019

## Only two elected officials from New Mexico were appointed to leadership positions for NACo



**Santa Fe County** Commissioner Anna Hansen was appointed Vice Chair of the Air Quality Sub Committee of the Environment, Energy and LandUse Committee (EELU) of NACo. She has served on the EELU Committee since 2018.



**Sandoval County** Trreasurer Laura Montoya was appointed Vice Chair of the Finance, Pensions, & Intergovernmental Affairs Steering Committee of NACo. She also serves as NACo Next Generation Network Chair and Immediate Past Chair.

**County Managers** now have access to NMC's Origami Risk for those counties in the Workers' Compensation Fund! This gateway includes dashboard analysis, access to county specific workers' compensation fund insurance documents, a view of your county claims, and an opportunity to select your county's workers' compensation insurance coverages. For more information, please contact Lori Urban, 505.216.3004 or Trish Lovato, 505.820.8128.



President Eddy County Sheriff Mark Cage appointed **Santa Fe County** Sheriff Adan Mendoza as the NMC Board Treasurer for the 2019-2020 board term.

**The New Mexico County Clerks Affiliate** is soliciting bids for a technical assistance provider to provide technical assistance to County Clerks and the Affiliate.

Bids submitted pursuant to this Solicitation are due no later than **4:00PM on September 5, 2019.** No late bids will be accepted. Bids may be submitted electronically to <u>MovingForward@NMClerks.org</u> or delivered in hard copy to the Chaves County Clerk's Office, 1 St. Mary's Place, Roswell, NM 88203. <u>Click here</u> to see the solicitation response details.

#### A Win for Counties!

The NM Supreme Court has denied Texasfile's petition for writ of certiorari in their case against **Lea County**. The Court of Appeal's decision holding that the Recording Act, rather than IPRA, controls access to property records at the county clerk's office is now final.

#### RFP is out! Counties: Bid to host a NMC Annual Conference 2021, 2022, or 2023!

By hosting a NMC Annual Conference you are able to highlight your county, welcome 600–750 attendees, and generate @ \$215,000 in direct spending throughout the week. Counties may bid on multiple years. Finalized proposals due to Talia Storch, tstorch@nmcounties.org, by Monday, September 23. Counties with qualifying bids will be asked to present to the NMC Board of Directors Friday, October 4, 2019 in Sierra County.



Joy Esparsen is the new deputy executive director at New Mexico Counties! Joy has worked at NMC 16 years, starting as the executive director liaison and advancing to governmental affairs director. She currently chairs the NACo intergovernmental relations officials, and for many years has worked on national issues of critical importance to county government. As deputy executive director, Joy will help plan and implement NMC

policies, objectives, and programs and will play a major role in NMC's legislative platform, grant programs, and initiatives at the local, state, and federal level. Congratulations!!!

August Wed. Aug. 21	Multi-Line Pool Board meeting 8:30 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office
Wed. Aug. 28-30	NMML 62nd Annual Conference, Las Cruces
September Wed. Sept. 4	Legislative Initiatives Review w/Legislative Committee 11:00 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office
Thurs. Sept. 12	Gathering of Counties NM State Fair, ABQ
Mon. Sept. 16	NM EDGE Classes, Bernalillo County, ABQ
October Thurs. Oct. 3-4	NMC Board of Directors Legislative Priorities meeting Thurs. 2 p.m.; Fri. 8:30 a.m. Sierra County
Wed. Oct. 23–25	Infrastructure Finance Conference Las Cruces Convention Center
Wed. Oct 29-31	Multi-Line Pool Board , Joint Pool Boards Retreat, & Workers' Compensation Board meeting TBD
November Thurs. Nov 7	Executive Committee meeting 2:00 p.m. NMC Santa Fe office
Fri .Nov 8	NMML/NMC Joint Legislative meeting 9:00 a.m. Inn at Loretto Santa Fe
Wed. Dec. 4	Advisory Council meeting 11:00 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office
Wed. Dec. 11	Multi-Line Pool Board meeting 8:30 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office
Thurs. Dec. 12	Workers' Compensation Board meeting 9:00 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office

#### NMC Loss Prevention Trainings Link to RSVP

Tues. 8/13 Webinar: New Employee Safety Orientation Mon. 8/26–30 Crisis Intervention Training Deming Mon. 9/9–10 Patrol Response to CNT Situations ABQ Thurs. 9/12 CPR Instructor Training ABQ Tues. 9/24 Webinar: Law Enforcement Use of Force Sun. 10/20–23 CIT Crisis Intervention Training, Raton, NM

#### New Mexico Outdoor Economics Conference-Scholarships Available!

2nd annual NM Outdoor Economics Conference **October 3-4,** 2019 in Silver City. Learn about successful strategies for creating jobs and tourism connected to outdoor recreation. Limited scholarships are available to county commissioners and staff to cover registration and lodging. Interested? Contact **precia@nmwild.org**. Full conference schedule and registration HERE

#### NATIONAL NEWS

#### NACo releases 2019 Summer Advocacy Toolkit

During the August recess, engage with New Mexico's congressional delegation, drawing their focus to critical local issues before they head back to Washington. To help county elected officials more effectively lobby their representatives, NACo has released a toolkit that provides background information, talking points, and action items on key issues. Check it out!

#### NACo, sheriffs tackle loss of benefits in jail

A task force made up of members of NACo and the National Sheriffs' Association met July 14 to begin tackling a problem that sees people lose federal health benefits when they enter county jail.

#### <u>Group issues ransomware warning to local</u> governments

A consortium of local government groups and others have issued a fresh warning to local governments to back up systems on a daily basis; reinforce basic cybersecurity awareness and education and revisit and refine cyber incident response plans.

### Webinars

**Tues. Sept. 17** Early Childhood Rural Peer Learning Network 12 p.m.–1:30 p.m. MDT

Thur. Sept. 19 Early Childhood Suburban Peer Learning Network 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m. MDT

**Fri. Sept. 20** Early Childhood Urban Peer Learning Network 12 p.m.–1:30 p.m. MDT

Search County Employment Opportunities or enter new job posts <u>here</u> for up to 30 days.

New Employee? Submit <u>here</u> add/delete/replace to directory.

Did someone forward you this email? Sign up here to Clarissa

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Thurs. 10/24–25** "Civilian" Crisis Intervention Training, Raton, NM 8 a.m.–5 p.m.



#### Deadline for NM EDGE September enrollment classes is end of business day Sept. 4!

For a list of classes being offered, click on the link: September 2019 Road Map

#### USDA Grant Applications for Rural Economic Development

Grants can be used for business startup costs, advanced telecommunications services, community facilities projects, etc. Consider projects with key strategies:

- Achieving e-Connectivity for Rural America
- Developing the Rural Economy
- Harnessing Technological Innovation
- Supporting a Rural Workforce
- Improving Quality of Life

Application deadlines are **First Quarter**, **Sept. 30, 2019**; Second Quarter, Dec. 31, 2019; Third Quarter, March 31, 2020; and Fourth Quarter, June 30, 2020. Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. local time at the Rural Development state office where the project will be located. Contact Patricia Navarrette, 505.761.4961 or patricia.navarrette@usda.gov



16<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering of Counties September 12, 2019

#### SAVE THE DATE: 16th Annual Gathering of Counties Day at the New Mexico State Fair Thursday, September 12, 2019

For more information on your County Queen Candidate, contact Temple Daniels, 505.620.7558

All 33 counties are eligible to register for a complimentary booth along Main Street. Great opportunity to highlight your county's unique culture and heritage. Keep in mind that many school groups visit the fair during the day when planning your booth handouts and activities. **Deadlines:** 

Booth registration Aug. 9

State Fair Queen Contest Registration Aug. 31 State Fair Parade Registration Aug. 23

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