



NMC Regional Legislative Virtual Meetings

10AM-Noon Each Day

- Wednesday, April 21 - Bernalillo County
- Thursday, April 22 - Doña Ana County
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Register NOW!!

Registration OPEN for the NMC Regional Legislative Virtual Meetings All county members are invited to register for a regional meeting and join the discussion about the 2021 session and potential effects of new legislation on the counties. Invitations will be sent to state legislators to attend by region; county members are encouraged to invite local legislators to participate. Attendees will receive an email with the *access* link once registered.

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Sierra County Manager Moves to City



Bruce Swingle, Sierra County Manager, has accepted an offer as the new Truth or Consequences City Manager. He leaves the county the end of April and dives right in with the city May 3. He served for over six and a half years as the

county manager, building a solid county team and playing an active role in local economic development for the community. He previously held county manager positions in McKinley and Valencia counties and served nearly 10 years as the Director of Loss Prevention for New Mexico Counties. Did you know that Bruce was instrumental in developing and copy-righting the RAP program that is still used today in counties? Bruce has also been a board member of the NMCIAs pools, making smart decisions in the best interest of its members. His lengthy experience and valuable knowledge in local government is an asset to anyone that snatches him up. NMC and the County Managers Affiliate have had the pleasure of working with Bruce and will truly miss his humor, charisma, and leadership in making counties better. All the best, Bruce!

2022 CENSUS OF GOVERNMENTS

Conducting a More Efficient Census of Governments

WHAT IS THE CENSUS OF GOVERNMENTS?

The Census of Governments (CoG) is the most comprehensive and precise measure of government economic activity. It identifies the scope and nature of the nation's public sector and provides authoritative benchmark figures of public finance, pensions, and employment. It classifies the complex and diverse state and local government organizations, powers, activities, and measures state and local fiscal relationships. The CoG is comprised of three components—Organization, Employment and Finance.

With the release of each data product, the CoG provides policy analysts, researchers, and the general public with a more complete and clear picture of the public sector. These data products present information to assist in addressing the issues that concern state and local governments and serve as the foundation for developing national economic and public policy.

Improvements to the 2022 CoG will increase efficiency, reduce response burden for state and local governments, and provide data products that reflect our ever-changing U.S. economy.

Public Sector Statistics Include:



Timeline

The program will produce data targeted releases between July 2023 and September 2024. These CoG data products provide unique detailed national, state, and local level statistical measures.



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Reminder: Counties are required to participate and respond in the Census of Governments data collection. It happens every five years, for years ending in two and seven, as required by law under Title 13, U.S. Code, Section 161. The collection of the data will be in a three-phase effort to document the size, structure, and finances of the local governments.

USDA Seeks Applications for Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Grants—Due June 4, 2021

- Provides educational and medical services in rural areas
- Funds rural areas to increase access to education, training, and health care resources
- \$44.5 million in grant funds available in fiscal year 2021
- Of this amount, \$10.2 million for projects that provide substance use disorder treatment services in rural areas.

Applications must be submitted electronically through grants.gov. For more information, visit [DLT webpage](#).



Community outing program aids in substance abuse intervention

Bernalillo County's Dept. of

Behavioral Health Services teamed up with the Parks and Recreation Dept. to use community outings to help reintegrate those struggling with substance abuse back into the community. ~NACo highlight

Emergency Rental Assistance Program – Funding Available

The State of New Mexico will grant \$170 million of federal aid to New Mexicans for rental and utility assistance to households experiencing financial hardship due to the COVID-19 outbreak. For additional information, please visit: <https://www.renthelpnm.org/>.

NM Outdoor Recreation Business Accelerator Grant Opportunity

- Grants of up to \$20,000 will be awarded to the highest-scoring accelerators
- Emphasize improving businesses' digital presences, job creation, and rural economic development

Applications due **Friday, April 30** and awards announced by May 10. Apply here: <https://nmoutside.submittable.com/submit>

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Link to NMC Meetings [Annual Calendar](#) Link to NMC Loss Prevention Trainings [RSVP](#)

All trainings open to county elected officials & employees

- Wed Apr 14 Advisory Council meeting 11 AM TBD
- Wed Apr 14-15 Online LP Road Ready Instructor Development
- Wed Apr 21, 22 Regional Legislative virtual meetings April 21 Bernalillo County, April 22 Doña Ana County
- Wed Apr 28, 29 Regional Legislative virtual meetings April 28 San Miguel County, April 29 Chaves County
- Tue Apr 27 Online LP Effective Employee Discipline, 10AM-Noon
- Tue Apr 27 Online First Line Supervisor Class 1 Day 1 of 5, Day 2 May 4, Day 3 May 11, Day 4 May 18, Day 5 May 25 Contact grees@nmccounties.org
- Wed Apr 28-29 Online First Aid/CPR Instructor Development 9AM-Noon
- Mon May 3-5 PREA Compliance—Mock Audit Training, Catron, Dona Ana, Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Otero, & Sierra Counties
- Tue May 4 Harassment Prevention Training 10-11:30AM
- Fri May 7 NMC Board of Directors meeting, 8:30AM
- Wed May 12-13 NMCIAs Pool Board meeting 8:30AM-12:30PM each day
- Wed May 12-13 Online Road Ready Instructor Development 8AM-Noon
- May WIR Annual Conference TBD
- June-Aug or Sep NMC Annual Conference moved TBD
- Mon June 14-16 NM EDGE classes, details to come
- Thu Jun 17 NMC Board of Directors meeting TBD
- Wed Jun 30-1 Instructor Development Reasonable Suspicion Supervisor Training
- Fri July 9-12 NACo Annual Conference hybrid in-person/virtual Prince George County, MD
- Tue July 13-15 Internal Affairs Administrative Investigation ABQ