

News Brief

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USDA to Host Oct. 17 Webinar on Technical Assistance and Training Grants to Help Restore Community Facilities Damaged by Natural Disasters in 2022 Tue. Oct. 17, 2023 10:30am MDT \$2.5 million in grants through Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Disaster Repair (CF Disaster TAT) Grant Program. These funds must be used to provide technical assistance

to repair essential community facilities in eligible rural areas damaged by presidentially declared disasters in calendar year 2022. Examples include helping communities locate public and private funding resources, identify and plan for needed repairs, and prepare applications for financial assistance. Deadline to submit electronic applications via Grants.gov is Nov. 24, 2023 and paper applications by Nov. 29, 2023. To register, visit: <a href="https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/

CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH





FROM THE NACO CYBERSECURITY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

> October 2023 marks **20 years** of National Cybersecurity Awareness Month!

As security education expands across organizations, so do the cyberthreats they face. In response, counties across the country are joining the NACo Cybersecurity Leadership Academy: a 12 week <u>virtual course</u> with the latest insights from industry experts and current CIOs/CISOs in the field, as well as the opportunity to network with cybersecurity professionals across the nation. It coaches participants on what it means to think and act as a cybersecurity leader.

Throughout October, NACo is extending an Academy BOGO to every county.

Your county's first participant can join for \$1,995, and a second participant can join for FREE! The next Cybersecurity Leadership Academy kicks off January 8th. You can find out more at <u>naco.org/cyberskills</u> or reach out to our Academy contact, Luke Afeman (<u>LukeA@pdaLeadership.com</u>) to claim your BOGO.

Is your county prepared for a cyberattack?









NMC and Federal and State Agencies Working Together Cycles of Wildfire Risk Reduction: from Mitigation to Recovery

WUFS is New Mexico's leading even for wildfire preparedness and planning. Peers, community leaders, fire service professionals, and federal. State, tribal, and local governments met in Lincoln County to learn the latest techniques, strategies, and resources for wildfire preparedness, mitigation, and recovery. Hands-on learning with a field trip to Moon Mountain/McBride Fire near Ruidoso.



McKinley County, in its 16th year, takes advantage of the free Risk Awareness Program (RAP) to remind their employees about risks on the job. This program can help your county reduce claims within the safety culture. Contact NMC Loss Prevention Specialist James Chaves, jchaves@nmcounties.org, to provide the 50 week RAP class in your county.

Operation Green Light is a national effort to make sure veterans have access to the resources they need to thrive and encourages a show of veteran support by lighting county government buildings green. For tips on lighting and more: <u>https://www.naco.org/resources/operationgreen-light-veterans-county-participation-toolkit</u>

The <u>Community Wildfire Defense Pro-</u>

gram, or CWDG, is intended to help at-risk local communities and Tribes; plan for and reduce the risk of wildfire. The program provides funding to communities for two primary purposes: Develop and revise Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP); and implement projects described in a Community Wildfire Protection Plan that is less than ten years old. The Community Wildfire Defense Grant Program also helps communities in the wildland urban interface (WUI) implement the three goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy. **Deadline: October 31, 2023**.

Based on feedback from NTIA, OBAE has added Appendix 1 and Appendix 6 to the initial proposal volume 1 for <u>public comment on</u> <u>Broadband</u>. Appendices 2–5 are datasets yet to be provided by Federal partners and therefore unavailable. <u>OBAE has restarted the 30-day</u> <u>public comment period with November 10 as</u> <u>the last day</u>.



Fill out the Student <u>INPUT SUR-</u> VEY and tell us which classes

you wish to see offered on our January 2024 Honing Your NM EDGE Class Schedule.

Link to NMC 2023 Annual Meetings Calendar Link to NMC 2024 Annual Meetings Calendar Link: Loss Prevention Trainings Calendar & RSVP Wed Oct 18-19 26th Infrastructure Finance Conference Las Cruces Convention Center Thu Nov 2 NMC Executive Committee meeting 2pm NMC Office Santa Fe Fri Nov 3 NMC/NMML Joint Legislative meeting 9am Santa Fe County Wed Nov 29-30 NMCIA Board meeting & Retreat Doña Ana County Wed Dec 6 Advisory Council meeting 11am virtual **Tue Dec 19** NMCRe Captive Board meeting 10am virtual 2024 Jan NM EDGE classes 1/4, 1/9, 1/23. 1/24, 1/25, 1/30, 1/31 Live Online Mon Jan 15–18 NMC Legislative Conference Santa Fe, Hilton and SFCCC Mon Jan 15–16 NM EDGE at conference **Tue Jan 16** NMCIA Membership meeting 9am **Tue Jan 16** NMC Board of Directors meeting 2pm Thu Jan 25 NMC Executive Committee Zoom 11am Follow us on FB: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> nmcounties33/ Submit job postings <u>here</u> View postings <u>here</u>

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