

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION --- OF COUNTIES

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MISSION

Strengthen America's counties.

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Healthy, safe and vibrant
counties across America.

NACO MEMBERSHIP IS AN INVESTMENT IN YOUR COUNTY'S FUTURE:

Because the association works to ensure that counties have the resources, skills and support needed to successfully lead their communities today and into the future.

EDUCATION AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Helps you better serve your county by giving you countless opportunities to learn and grow through conferences, webinars, forums, and other networking opportunities.

RESEARCH MATERIALS AND DATA

- Provides information to counties including demographics, sample ordinances and model county programs, as well as data of all kind.

Resources

VIDEO

Press Conference: PILT and Secure Rural Schools

Watch live as public lands county officials and Members of Congress convene on Capitol Hill for a press conference in support of full, mandatory funding of Payments In-Lieu of Taxes and a long-term solution for the Secure Rural Schools program.



SIGNATURE PROJECTS



REPORTS & PUBLICATIONS



EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES



COST SAVING TOOLS



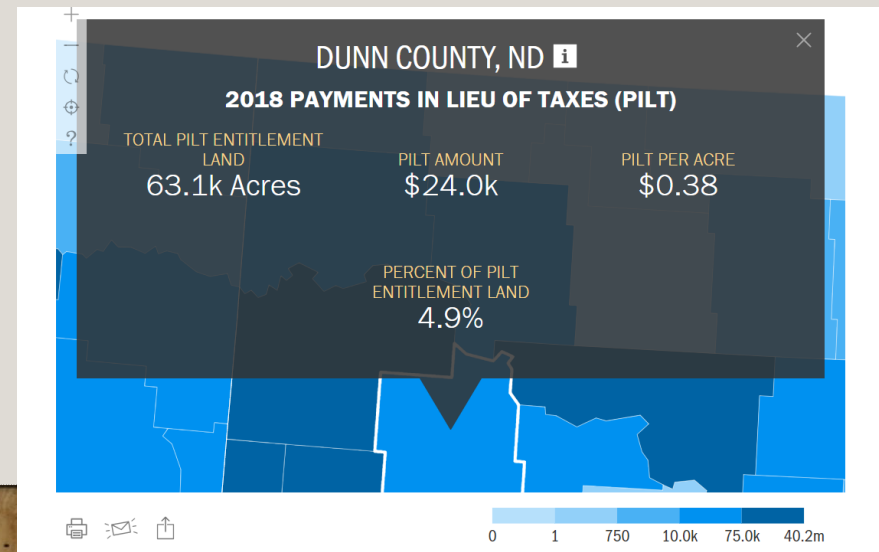
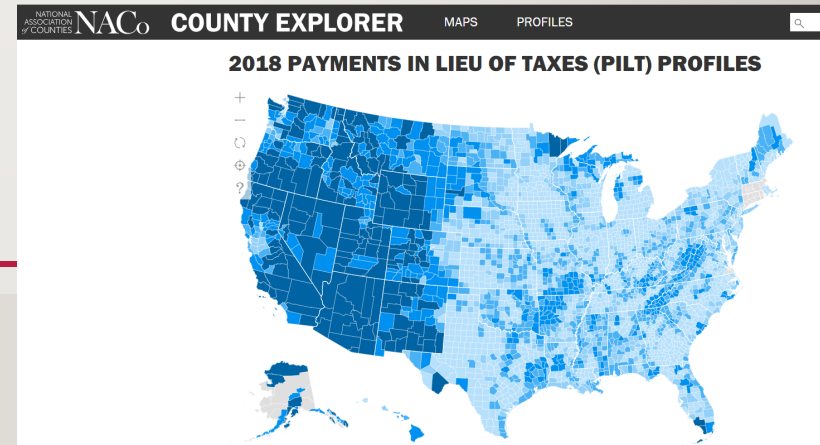
ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



COUNTY EXPLORER

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Research tool on naco.org



COMMUNICATIONS

- Allow you to stay current about essential information. NACo can save you time and provide you with exactly what you need through the NACo web site, *County News*,



POLICY STEERING COMMITTEE NOMINATION PROCESS IS SIMPLE

- Complete nomination form to serve on a NACo policy steering committee to your state association of counties. www.naco.org/nomination
- Mark on the nomination form your first and second policy steering committee choice.
- Submit the form to your state association a month before the NACo Annual Conference.
- NACo works to accommodate a nominee's first choice of policy steering committee assignments.



10 POLICY STEERING COMMITTEES:

- Agriculture and Rural Affairs
- Community, Economic and Workforce Development
- Environment, Energy and Land Use
- Finance, Pensions and Intergovernmental Affairs
- Health
- Human Services and Education
- Justice and Public Safety
- Public Lands
- Telecommunications and Technology
- Transportation

ACTION CENTERS

- 3,069 county governments provide fundamental services for building healthy, safe and vibrant communities. Through NACo, county governments engage federal policy makers on a range of issues like transportation, infrastructure, healthcare, public safety and public lands management.
- Decisions made by the White House, Congress and federal courts have a major impact on our ability to lead our communities. **That is why Federal Policies Matter to County Governments and why County Government Matters to America.**

REPORTS & TOOLKITS

Medicaid and Counties: Understanding the Program and Why It Matters to Counties

By [BLAIRE BRYANT](#) Feb. 28, 2019

Tags: [Health](#)

[DOWNLOAD](#)

As Congress considers changes to the nation's health care system, NACo urges them to consider implications of reforms that would merely shift costs to counties. Counties' stand ready to work with Congress to identify strategies to strengthen our nation's health system and provide high-quality coverage and access to care for all of their residents while being responsible stewards of local taxpayer dollars.



EDUCATION & TRAINING



NACo Education & training offerings provide county officials the opportunity to learn from industry thought leaders on best practice in county government.

NACo is committed to ensuring that county officials receive high-quality education through any number of educational platforms.

CAUCUSES ADDRESS KEY COUNTY ISSUES

- **Western Interstate Region**

- WIR is affiliated with NACo and is dedicated to the promotion of Western interests within NACo. WIR Board members are nominated by their state association of counties from only Western states.

- **Large Urban County Caucus**

- *LUCC is a bipartisan coalition of elected county executives and board members from counties with more than 500,000 population.*

- **Rural Action Caucus**

- RAC is the voice for America's rural counties before Congress and the Administration. County elected officials from rural areas are dedicated to solving many critical issues impacting rural life and development, including infrastructure development, broadband deployment, development of new rural clinics and hospitals, road and bridge construction and maintenance, business development opportunities, and many more county responsibilities.

NACO LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

NACo Legislative Conference brings together nearly 2,000 elected and appointed county officials to focus on federal policy issues that impact counties and our residents.

Attendees have the opportunity to participate in second-to-none educational sessions, interact with federal officials and participate in congressional briefings and meetings.



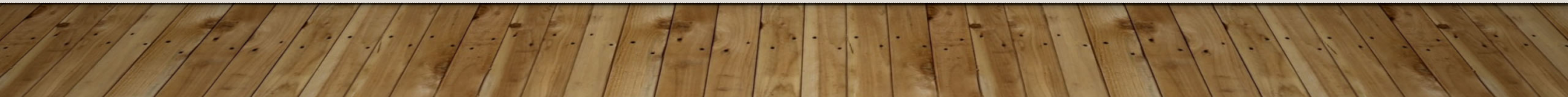


NACO 2018

Personal Thoughts...

- **Thank you for allowing me to serve as a NACo Board Member**
- **Gained significant education, new ideas, leadership growth shared with county & fellow county leaders**
- **Experiences of other county situations across the USA extremely valuable**
- **Highly recommend NACo involvement by attending NACo Annual or Legislative Conferences**

NACo is Your Voice in Washington





iCivics & Counties Work

About iCivics

NACo, together with iCivics, has created a full curriculum to educate students, grades 6 through 12, about the important role and functions of county government. The curriculum — along with the online game, "Counties Work" — assists teachers with preparing lessons on county government. Click [here](#) to view a webinar overview of the updated resources.

**COUNTIES WORK
EDUCATIONAL GAME**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL &
HIGH SCHOOL
CURRICULUM**

**EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY
BOOK FOR YOUNGER
STUDENTS**

**RESOURCES FOR
COUNTIES**

COUNTIES WORK ONLINE GAME

- Students learn about local government by playing a county official responding to citizen requests.
- They must keep citizens happy and manage county resources responsibly.
- Which department of local government has the solution?
- Do taxes need to be raised or lowered to keep a balanced budget?
- How will citizens react—and what's the best action when crisis strikes?





<https://youtu.be/kFEWIHLH6jA>

COUNTIES WORK ACTIVITY BOOK

- Designed to introduce students to counties' vast responsibilities and the important role counties play in our lives every day!

★ The County Seat ★

Just like you have a home, so does your county's government. Your county government's home is the **county seat**. This city or town is where you'll usually find the county courthouse. Many of the people and departments you'll learn about in this book have offices inside your county's courthouse. Let's take a look at who's inside!

My county is _____. My county seat is _____.

What county do you live in?
Is it big or small? Is it filled with people
everywhere you turn, or is there a lot
of space to move about? Your county is a
unique place. No two counties are exactly
the same. Some aren't even called counties.
We call them parishes or boroughs
instead. Counties across our nation
look, feel, and can even work
a little differently.



April is County
Government
Month!

CHALLENGE:

- Reach out to school
- Pitch the Counties Work Curriculum
- Offer to speak to and/or assist in classroom with program

COUNTIES WORK

Information and Resources Available

<https://www.naco.org/counties/icivics>

