



August 3, 2017

MEMO

TO: ALL MEMBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY EXECUTIVES AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: SUZANNE DULANEY, CCAO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: [WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE AND TOUR](#)

CCAO learned at the NACo conference that Florida and Pennsylvania county commissioners had been invited for a tour and conference at the White House. Unlike previous White House visits, these events were not coordinated through NACo or the state associations and they were not permitted to participate. We were anticipating that you might receive a similar invitation somewhere in the next couple of weeks and had an article for our newsletter ready to share that information. However, it turns out that the invitations went out today and the event will take place on August 29th ([copy of invitation attached](#)).

It is always exciting to be invited to the White House. While CCAO and NACo are not included to participate, we certainly encourage you to attend and will do everything possible to make the most of your visit. To that end, here is some information that we have pulled together for you thus far based on conversations with NACo and Billy Kirkland, White House Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs.

- The purpose of the meeting from the White House perspective is more of a meet and greet opportunity to develop relationships as opposed to being focused on in-depth policy discussions on particular areas. In the previous state visits, some top White House official (most recently Kellyanne Conway) will start things off and then you will be introduced to several White House staff from various federal agencies.

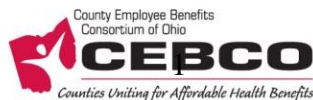
- All county commissioners and the County Executives and Council Members in Ohio are invited. The invitation does not extend to staff or guests and this is firm. However, if you cannot attend due to a conflict and want to try to send a county employee in your place, please contact me and I will make an appeal for an exception in that instance.

- NACo has kindly agreed to host a breakfast and pre-conference briefing. The breakfast will take place at their office located at 600 N. Capitol Street NW, Suite 400 at 8:00 a.m., followed by a briefing at 8:30. NACo has also kindly offered for you to use their office to store luggage if you like.



County Risk  
Sharing Authority

Fax: 614-220-0209  
www.corsa.org



County Employee Benefits  
Consortium of Ohio  
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Counties Uniting for Affordable Health Benefits

Fax: 614-229-4588  
www.cebco.org



County Commissioners  
Association of Ohio  
Service Corporation

Fax: 614-221-6986  
www.ccao.org

- Given that the tour is at 11:00 am and the conference is at 1:00 pm, we asked about lunch and offered to coordinate that onsite for members. The White House said that unfortunately that is not possible. However, you should have time for a quick lunch between the tour and the conference. CCAO will work on what is nearby and follow up with you.

- NACo helped us to negotiate some discounted rates on hotels nearby. Attached please find the hotels that offered a discount and the rate information. We tried to do the best we could as quickly as possible for you, but it may be that better deals can be found through online sites.

**PLEASE RSVP** to Mary Jane Neiman at CCAO at [mjneiman@ccao.org](mailto:mjneiman@ccao.org) (direct dial (614/220/7979) **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** and let us know if you plan to attend the NACo breakfast and briefing. Also let us know if you plan to arrive the night before. We will work on a reception the night before as well, but will need an idea on attendance in order to firm up plans.

More information will follow as it becomes available!

[Click Here for Hotels Near NACo Office.](#)



Ohio County Commissioners,

My name is Billy Kirkland, and I am the Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs at the White House. Our office serves as the liaison between the White House and the State and Local governments.

Our office would like to extend an invitation for you to participate in the Ohio County Commissioners' White House Conference and White House Tour on August 29, 2017.

The purpose of this event is to develop a working relationship between the White House/Federal Agencies and the County Commissioners of Ohio. We hope that you or a designated staffer will consider attending this event.

#### Ohio County Commissioners' White House Conference

##### **Event Details:**

Event Date: August 29, 2017

Location: The White House Complex

Building: The Eisenhower Executive Office Building

Room: South Court Auditorium

**We will distribute a schedule and additional information next week, but we anticipate that the event will begin promptly at 1:00 PM.**

##### **Administration Participation:**

The Intergovernmental Affairs team is coordinating the event schedule with the Federal Agencies. We anticipate representatives from each Federal Agency to participate in this event. The representatives of the agencies will be senior-level agency officials (including the potential for Cabinet Secretary participation). Senior-level White House staff will also lead and participate in portions of the event throughout the day. Our team will provide an updated schedule with participants.

One of the primary goals of this conference is to ensure that you are introduced to and put in contact with appropriate officials at each agency to ensure efficient coordination between the Federal Agencies and the Ohio Counties. This conference will be an opportunity for the Administration to strengthen our relationship with local entities of government.

##### **External Invitations:**

Our team is extending invitations for this event to all County Commissioners in the state of Ohio.

**White House Tour:**

In addition to the conference, our office has also arranged a White House tour for the Ohio County Commissioners at 11:00 AM on the day of the WH Conference (August 29). We are excited to have an opportunity to share the White House with you all, and hope that you will participate. Members of our team and the Secret Service will guide participants through the White House. **If you plan to attend the tour, please register using the link below prior to August 15.** We ask that you plan to arrive at the White House for the tour by 10:30 AM in order to pass through security in time for the tour.

If you are interested in participating in the group tour, please submit your information using the link that says “**RSVP LINK**” in the tour information at the bottom of the email invitation (Please Scroll down all the way to the bottom of the email). **You will need to submit your information 2 separate times in order to attend the Conference and the Tour.** Our team will provide an updated list of all individuals who have successfully registered for the Conference and the Tour on August 17.

**Essential Information:**

If you plan to attend this event, please submit your personal information to Secret Service using the link below. Please note that it is essential for all information to be submitted accurately, and that there are no discrepancies between what is submitted and what is listed on the ID presented to Secret Service upon arrival. It is also important to note that your city and state of residence must exactly match what is listed on your ID. The second attachment will provide an arrival map, but we will distribute additional arrival instructions to attendees prior to the event.

**Personal Information Submission Link:**

[White House Conference Security Information Submission Link](#)

Please do not hesitate to reach out to Jack Sewell (contact information below) with any questions.

**RSVP Instruction:**

Please work with Jack Sewell (contact information listed below), in order to RSVP by August 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM.

All the best,

Billy Kirkland  
Special Assistant to the President  
Deputy Director  
White House Intergovernmental Affairs  
E: [William.H.Kirkland@who.eop.gov](mailto:William.H.Kirkland@who.eop.gov)

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Jack Sewell  
White House Intergovernmental Affairs  
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## Hotels Near NACo Office

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### Hyatt Regency Washington

.5 miles from NACo Headquarters

400 New Jersey Avenue, NW

Washington DC 20001

[Website](#)

For Reservations – call: 800/233-1234 and ask for the NACo negotiated rate. On-line use corporate Rate Code #54074 or [click here](#).

NACo Receives 12% off the Hyatt Daily Rate

Premium Rates	Standard Rates	Room Type
\$519-399	\$379-159	Standard King or Double/Double
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Blackout dates: March 18, 20, 31; April 1, 4, 12-14, 19, 21-25, 30, May 1-2, 11-15, 21-23, June 7, 22, July 9-11, Nov 13-15.</li><li>• Tax: 14.5%</li><li>• Need Credit Card to reserve room</li><li>• 24-hour cancellation policy</li><li>• Complimentary Internet</li><li>• Indoor pool</li><li>• Valet parking: \$56/day + tax</li></ul>		

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### Washington Court Hotel

.4 miles from NACo Headquarters (.3 walking)

525 New Jersey Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20001

[Website](#)

For Reservations – call 800/321-3010, mention NACo's preferred rate

Online Reservations: [www.washingtoncourthoteldc.com](http://www.washingtoncourthoteldc.com)

\* Under SELECT DATES tab; add Arrival Date / Departure Date

\* Under CORPORATE/PROMOTION CODE field; type NACO

\* Click: CHECK AVAILABILITY

3. Use the Web Link: NACo [WebLink](#)

Rates:

Dates	Room Type	Rate
July 1 – September 30	Deluxe King/Double	\$209
	Capitol View King/Double	\$219

- Blackout dates: July 10-13, November 12-15
- Tax: 14.5%
- Complimentary in-room internet
- Cancellation policy – 24 hours

### Hampton Inn NoMa Union Station

*1.8 miles from NACo Headquarters (1.4 walking)*

501 New York Ave, NE

Washington, DC 20002

[Website](#)

For Reservations – call: 202/308-9754, mention NACo's preferred rate.

Rates:

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Room Type</b>	<b>Rate</b>
July 1 – August 31	Deluxe Accommodations	\$159 single/double
September 1 – September 30	Deluxe Accommodations	\$249 single/double

- Tax 14.5%
- Need Credit Card to reserve room
- 72-hour cancellation policy
- Rate includes complimentary daily breakfast
- Complimentary in-room internet
- Complimentary shuttle service to NACo offices starting 6:30 a.m. daily
- Valet Parking - \$36/night + tax
- Indoor pool

### Homewood Suites by Hilton

*1.8 miles from NACo Headquarters (1.4 walking)*

501 New York Ave, NE

Washington, DC 20002

[Website](#)

For Reservations – call: 202/308-9754, mention NACo's preferred rate.

Rates (Stays of 6 nights or less, lower rates are available for longer stays):

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Room Type</b>	<b>Rate</b>
March 1-June 30	Deluxe Accommodation	\$289 single/double
July 1 – August 31	Deluxe Accommodations	\$199 single/double
September 1 – September 30	Deluxe Accommodations	\$289 single/double

- Tax 14.5%

- Need Credit Card to reserve room
  - 72-hour cancellation policy
  - All rooms come with fully equipped kitchens
  - Rate includes complimentary daily hot breakfast & Complimentary Evening Social featuring a light meal and beverages Monday-Thursday evenings from 5-7 p.m.
  - Complimentary in-room internet
  - Complimentary shuttle service to NACo offices starting 6:30 a.m. daily
  - Valet Parking - \$36/night + tax
  - Indoor pool
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#### **Other hotels close to NACo**

##### **Phoenix Park Hotel**

*.1 miles from NACo Headquarters*

520 North Capitol Street, NW

Washington, DC 20001

Tel: 800-824-5419

Web Site: [www.phoenixparkhotel.com](http://www.phoenixparkhotel.com)

##### **The Liaison Capitol Hill**

*.5 miles from NACo Headquarters (.3 walking)*

415 New Jersey Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20001

Tel: 202-638-1616 Fax: 202-638-0707

Web Site: [www.affinia.com](http://www.affinia.com)