



National County Government Month

April is National County Government Month (NCGM), an annual celebration of county government. This year's theme is Safe and Secure Counties, and the National Association of Counties (NACo) has assembled a [toolkit](#), including a sample press release, proclamation and ideas for activities, to help you celebrate your successful county programs and provide information on how your local government serves and contributes to your community and residents you serve.



A few ways you can get involved include

- Send fact sheets to the media, post them on the county website and distribute via social media. Fact sheets can highlight county services and programs provided by your county.
- Hold an open house and feature county departments showcasing the services provided. Schedule tours through the building and arrange for county employees to be available to discuss the services.
- Offer public tours at county facilities such as health facilities, parks, libraries, courts, recycling/waste transfer stations and public safety buildings. Reach out to community groups, such as service clubs, 4-H and scouts and encourage them to come as a group to see how county facilities operate.
- Present in schools and discuss how county government is structured and define its roles and responsibilities.

For those of you who have activities planned, please send information and pictures to CCAO Communications Coordinator [Andrew Johnson](#) to promote on social media sites and in publications.