

NACo Policy Steering Committees, Caucuses and Task Forces

Caucus/Committee/Task Force	Description	Commissioner	Staff
Large Urban Caucus	<p>The National Association of Counties (NACo) Large Urban County Caucus, or “LUCC,” is the premier forum for urban county leaders and is the voice for America’s metropolitan counties before Congress and the Administration. Comprised of county executives, governing board members and other senior elected officials, LUCC members focus on urban challenges and solutions, engage in peer-to-peer information exchanges, inform national policy discussions.</p>		
Rural Action Caucus	<p>NACo's Rural Action Caucus (RAC) is a key component of NACo. RAC is the voice for America's rural counties before Congress and the Administration. Nearly two-thirds of the nation's 3,069 counties are designated as rural, with a combined population of 60 million. County elected officials from these rural areas are dedicated to solving many critical issues impacting rural life and development. These include 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. Since 1997, NACo's Rural Action Caucus has addressed critical federal, state and local issues.</p>		

<p>Agriculture & Rural Affairs Steering Committee</p>	<p>Responsible for all matters pertaining to USDA agriculture, rural development programs, rural renewable energy development, research and extension, food safety, and conservation programs.</p>		
<p>Community, Economic & Workforce Development</p>	<p>Responsible for all matters pertaining to housing, community and economic development, public works, and workforce development including the creation of affordable housing and housing options for different populations, residential, commercial, and industrial development, and building and housing codes.</p>		<p>Claire Jubb Ben Bailey Carrie Hussey Doreen Stoquert</p>
<p>Environment, Energy & Land Use Steering Committee</p>	<p>Responsible for all matters pertaining to air, water, energy, and land use, including water resources/management, stormwater, pesticides, air quality standards, solid, hazardous, and nuclear waste handling, transport, and disposal, national energy policy, renewable/alternative energy, alternative fuel vehicles, energy facility siting, electricity utility restructuring, pipeline safety, oil spills, superfund/brownfields, eminent domain, land use, coastal management, oceans, parks and recreation.</p>		<p>Tommy Scott Tina Powell Sean Doherty</p>
<p>Finance, Pensions & Intergovernmental Affairs Steering Committee</p>	<p>All matters pertaining to the financial resources of counties, fiscal management, federal assistance, municipal borrowing, county revenues, federal budget, federal</p>		<p>Gordon Burger</p>

	tax reform, elections and Native American issues.		
Health Steering Committee	All matters pertaining to public health and healthy communities, including disease and injury prevention and health promotion, health disparities reduction, financing delivering health care.	Commissioner Constance (Vice Chiar)	Tommy Scott
Human Services & Education Steering Committee	All matters pertaining to children's issues, foster care, public assistance and income support, services to senior citizens and individuals with disabilities, immigration policy, social services, and elementary, secondary and post-secondary education.		Carrie Hussey Colleen Turner Deedra Dowling Lanette Hart
Justice & Public Safety Steering Committee	All matters pertaining to criminal justice and public safety systems, including criminal justice planning, law enforcement, courts, corrections, homeland security, community crime prevention, juvenile justice and delinquency prevention, emergency management, fire prevention and control, and civil disturbances.	Commissioner Truex (Vice Chair)	Carrie Hussey Colleen Turner Faezeh Andrews
Public Lands Steering Committee	All matters relating to federally-owned public lands including federal land management programs, natural resource revenue sharing payments, payments in lieu of taxes, and property tax immunity concerns.		Tina Powell
Telecommunication & Technology Steering Committee	All matters pertaining to telecommunications and technology policy,		Lanette Hart

	including, but not limited to, the county role as a telecommunications regulator, service provider, and consumer, cable services technology and implementation, information technology development and implementation, information technology innovation, e-governance, and geo-spatial data collection and utilization.		
Transportation Steering Committee	Responsible for all matters pertaining to federal transportation legislation, funding and regulation and its impacts on county government. This includes highway and bridge development, finance and safety, public transit development and finance, transportation planning, airport development and service, passenger and freight railroads, ports and waterways, freight movement, and research and development of new modes of transportation.		
Arts & Culture Commission	The NACo Arts and Culture Commission demonstrates how the arts can be used by county officials to promote economic development and provide solutions to many of the challenges that they face, through workshop sessions, field trips, special publications, and its annual Arts & Culture awards, which recognize counties that work to foster an environment where arts can thrive to create more livable communities. Counties invest in the arts as a means to improve their economies,		Lanette Hart Sean Doherty

	enrich American cultural and intellectual life, build more aesthetically pleasing communities, promote lifelong learning, protect national heritage and historic preservation and help children succeed, to name a few.		
Resilient Counties Advisory Board	The Resilient Counties initiative is governed by the Resilient Counties Advisory Board, which advises NACo on the development and implementation of the organization's resiliency and sustainability programs. The Advisory Board is made up of leaders from both county government and private organizations, and provides input to ensure that NACo's resiliency programming is timely, innovative and meets the greatest needs of the nation's 3,069 counties.		Claire Jubb
Healthy Counties Advisory Board	NACo's Healthy Counties is guided by the Healthy Counties Advisory Board, which is comprised of county officials and staff who are health leaders at NACo and corporate partners. The public/private Healthy Counties Advisory Board assists NACo in identifying the priorities and activities of the Healthy Counties Initiative and provides input and expertise on program implementation.	Commissioner Constance	
International Economic Development Task Force	This task force facilitates the exchange of information, ideas and resources, and guides NACo programming, concerning	Commissioner Truex	

	county-level engagement in international economic development activities		
Veterans and Military Service Committee	This committee engages NACo and its members to develop and highlight county best practices and policies to promote innovative programs, services and benefits for our nation's military, veterans and their families.	Commissioner Truex	Travis Mortimer Ivey Winkler
Immigration Reform Task Force	NACo's Immigration Reform Task Force provides a forum for county officials from across the nation to discuss immigration and its impact on local governments. Although the Task Force does not vote on, or set, policy, it advises NACo's policy steering committees on immigration matters and engages on these matters with federal agencies and coalition partners.	Commissioner Truex (Chair)	
Finance Standing Committee	The Finance Standing Committee advises the Officers on the annual budget of the association before it is presented to the Board of Directors and provides oversight on other financial issues as directed by the Officers.		
Information Technology Standing Committee	The Information Technology Standing Committee advises the Officers on information technology issues and provides oversight on NACo information technology projects.	Commissioner Constance (Chair)	
Membership Standing Committee	The Membership Standing Committee actively recruits and retains member	Commissioner Constance (Vice Chair)	

	counties, parishes and boroughs in order to increase NACo's total membership.		
Programs and Services Standing Committee	The Programs and Services Committee advises the NACo Officers and the board of directors regarding the development and evaluation of NACo programs and services for NACo members.	Commissioner Truex	Tommy Scott Maureen Broderick