

**Tentative Schedule**

*Updated March 21, 2017*

*(Note: workshop descriptions are listed at the end of this tentative schedule).*

**Monday, June 5, 2017**

1 pm – 6 pm **Registration Desk Open**

1 pm – 3 pm **Child Welfare Allocation Committee** (**CWAC)**

1:30 pm – 5 pm **New Commissioner Orientation Part III** (includes an expert panel responding to questions from newly-elected commissioners and CDOT 101 – an introduction to Colorado Department of Transportation)

3 pm – 5 pm **CCI Pre-Conference Workshop:** Mission Possible: Affordable Housing in Your County

3 pm – 5 pm **Works Allocation Committee** (**WAC)**

3 pm – 5 pm **CCI/CDOR Quarterly Meeting on Sales Tax Issues**

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm **President’s Reception**

**Tuesday, June 6, 2017**

7 am – 5 pm **Registration Desk Open**

7 am – 8:30 am **CCI Board of Directors** (tentative)

7 am – 8:30 am **ACCA Networking Breakfast and Legislative Briefing**

7:30 am – 8:45 am **CCI Breakfast**

8:30 am – Noon **CARSE Regional Workshop and Meetings**

**Tuesday, June 6, 2017 (continued)**

9 am – 10:30 am **CCI** **Opening** **General Session**

Summit County Welcome

Lessons in Leadership for County Commissioners

Speaker: Bryan Desloge, NACo President, Leon County (FL) Commissioner

10:30 am – 10:45 am **Coffee Break**

10:45 am – Noon **CCI General Session**

Creating Civil Discourse in the Leadership of Your County

Speaker: Liz Joyner, Village Square, Tallahassee, FL

10:45 am – Noon **CALPHO Workshop**

10:45 am – Noon **CHSDA Workshop**

Noon – 2 pm **CCI District Meetings/Lunch**

Eastern, Front Range, Mountain, Southern, Western

Noon – 2 pm **CARSE Board of Directors Meeting**

2 pm – 5 pm **CARSE Regional Workshop and Meetings**

2 pm – 3:30 pm **CALPHO Workshop**

2 pm – 3:30 pm **CHSDA Workshop**

2:15 pm – 3:15 pm **CCI** **Concurrent Session:** USDA: A Powerful Partner in Rural Counties

2:15 pm – 3:15 pm **CCI Concurrent Session:** Advanced Budget-Balancing Techniques

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm **Coffee Break**

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm **CCI Concurrent Session**: Broadband: The Ongoing Quest for Rural Expansion

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm **CCI Concurrent Session:** Assuring the Health of Colorado’s Forests

4 pm – 5 pm **ACCA Business Meeting**

4 pm – 5 pm **CDHS Business Meeting**

4 pm – 5 pm **CALPHO Business Meeting**

4:30 pm – 6 pm **CCI Business Meeting and Lightning Round**

6:30 pm – 9 pm **CCI Dinner and Gift-Baskets Drawing**

**Wednesday, June 7, 2017**

7 am – Noon **Registration Desk Open**

7:30 am – 9 am **CCI Breakfast** Sponsored by CCOERA

7:30 am – 9 am **Women’s Commissioner Breakfast**

7:30 am – 9 am **CCI Board of Directors Meeting** (tentative)

9 am – 9:50 am **CCI Workshop:** Funding Transportation Infrastructure

9 am – Noon **CARSE Field Trip**

9 am – 10:30 am **CALPHO Workshop**

9 am – 10:30 am **CHSDA Workshop**

9:55 am – 10:45 am **CCI** **Workshop:** Understanding and Updating Marijuana’s Impact in Your County

10:45 am – 11 am **Coffee Break**

11 am – Noon **Closing General Session:** Ballot Measures: What You Can and Cannot Say

Noon **Grab-and-Go Lunch**

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**CCI Summer Conference 2017 Proposed Educational Programs**

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**New Commissioner Orientation**

Part III of the New Commissioner Orientation will be held at the Summer Conference and include an expert panel responding to questions from newly-elected commissioners, and an introduction to the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT 101).

**Mission Possible: Affordable Housing in Your County**

It’s a monumental task but affordable housing is an important goal for which every county in Colorado should strive. This session will feature an interactive discussion on affordable housing with the goal of identifying viable and sustainable solutions. The discussion will include the legislative perspective and what role the state can plan in working with counties to create more affordable housing.

**Lessons in Leadership for County Commissioners**

NACo President Bryan Desloge and CCI President Lew Gaiter will lead a discussion on the key skills commissioners need to effectively lead their counties. Key topics will be visioning, communications, collaboration and civility. The workshop will include an outside, expert speaker on the latest trends in leadership.

**Creating Civil Discourse in the Leadership of Your County**

County innovations would be all but impossible without a fundamental value that enables us to govern well: civility. Polarization and the lack of civility at the national level has crept into the governing process at the local level, and counties play a vital role in addressing these national conditions in our communities. Join us for an examination of civility today and learn how county leaders can foster civil discourse and respect for others, especially when we disagree.

**USDA: A Powerful Partner for Rural Counties**

The USDA Rural Development Program may be one of the best-kept secrets in Colorado. Over the last seven years, the agency has invested $5 billion in our state to create jobs, new businesses, and economic opportunities. This session will feature USDA experts talking about their various programs, including grants for community facilities (fire, city hall, schools, wastewater treatment plants) and low-rate loans for agriculture, business, and single- and multi-family housing initiatives. In addition, commissioners who have used the programs will share their experiences.

**Advance Budget-Balancing Techniques**

This workshop is presented in two parts. The first focuses on process and how to avoid the budgeting land mines and develop a fiscal plan that addresses your county’s most pressing needs. The second is devoted to filling unexpected holes in your county budget, including ways to reduce expenses and increase revenues through higher fees for services and new sources of dollars. In each case, the political and public relations “fallout” will be discussed.

**Broadband: The Ongoing Quest for Rural Expansion**

The “Broadband Battle” is continuing across rural Colorado and brings with it often-tense relations with large, telecommunications companies. This session with highlight what counties are doing to work with the large telecoms and will include the telecoms’ perspective. The session also assesses the impact of broadband legislation in the 2016 session, including the CCI-supported proposed repeal of SB05-152 that prohibits local governments from spending public dollars to acquire or construct broadband infrastructure without first getting approval from the voters; and SB17-81, which, if passed, would modify the statutory definitions of “effective competition” to assist the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) in making determinations on which areas of the state would still be eligible for assistance from the High Cost Fund (HCF).

**Assuring the Health of Colorado’s Forests**

Colorado’s forests face serious natural and environmental risks which, if left unaddressed, threaten the quality of life in our state. This session talks about the opportunities and challenges related to a wide range of forest-related issues, including mitigating fire risk, protecting and restoring watersheds, increasing forest health, promoting recreational opportunities, and conducting appropriate forest planning.

**Funding Transportation Infrastructure**

The pressure on county leaders to meet the transportation needs of their constituent is likely to drop more intense given the painful reality of budget shortfalls. This session will look at the transportation planning process, including the [Statewide Transportation Plan](https://www.codot.gov/programs/planning/transportation-plans-and-studies/statewide-transportation-plan) (SWP), [Regional Transportation Plans](https://www.codot.gov/programs/planning/transportation-plans-and-studies/transportation-plans.html) (RTPs), and a [Statewide Transportation Improvement Program](https://www.codot.gov/programs/planning/transportation-plans-and-studies/stip) (STIP). County leaders will learn strategies to achieve their performance objectives and priorities for investment in transportation programs and projects.

**Understanding and Updating Marijuana’s Impact on Your County**

In the four years since the passage of Amendment 64, there have been a dizzying number of policy changes at the state and local level.  Local governments around the state have worked tirelessly to pass ordinances and develop strategies that attempt to address the myriad impacts of marijuana cultivation in our communities.  This session will provide regulatory updates and highlight policy issues like local taxation, collections, enforcement mechanisms, and new state mandates. The session includes an update on DOLA’s Marijuana Impacts Grant Program.

**Ballot Measures: What You Can and Cannot Say**

County commissioners walk an incredibly fine line when it comes to their positions on ballot measures. In this session, commissioners will learn what they can and cannot say to remain legally and politically correct… and avoid the ire of constituents on opposite sides of a given ballot initiative. The information will include a review of Colorado’s campaign finance laws and how commissioners can stay in compliance and avoid even the appearance of unethical practices.

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