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• REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

Fri., September 8 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.
(for attendees of Friday's Mobile Workshops)
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Sat., September 9 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sun., September 10 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Mon., September 11 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Tues., September 12 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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Please note that meeting room temperatures are not within our control. We suggest that you plan accordingly and bring a sweater. The conference is meant to be a comfortable training experience for attendees and business casual dress is encouraged, except for the President's Award Dinner which is business attire.



NADO THANKS EACH OF THE SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS AND EXHIBITORS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS CONFERENCE.



• LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear NADO members and friends:

Welcome to Anchorage, Alaska for NADO's Annual Training Conference and the celebration of 50 years as the national voice for RDOs across the country. Our work is critically important to the livelihood of America's rural and small metro communities and regions, and the partnership we have with our members across the nation is what makes us strong and successful.

Launched in 1967 as the Association of District Development Organizations and housed in Minnesota, NADO has had many organizational "firsts" over the years. Our first Annual Training Conference was held in St. Louis, MO in 1968. Our first full time executive director, Aliceann Wohlbruck, was hired in 1979. Also in 1979, for the first (and only) time, a president (Jimmy Carter) spoke at a NADO conference.

The first edition of NADO News (type written and snail-mailed to the membership) was published in 1981. NADO's first female president assumed leadership in 1983. With support from ARC, the first round of Innovation Awards were made in 1986.

A generous grant from the Ford Foundation, the first of three grants, provided the financial means to establish the NADO Research Foundation in 1994. 1995 brought the first iteration of NADO's website. For the first time in over two decades, both EDA and ARC were reauthorized in 1998, due, in part, to the tireless efforts of NADO's legislative team. The first Congressional Partnership Awards recognizing members of Congress for their support of regional development were made. RPO America was established to serve as the first national professional association for regional and rural transportation planning professionals, practitioners, and other interested stakeholders.

A 2007 MOU between NADO and AMPO created a platform for the first of

many collaborative research, training, and advocacy initiatives to benefit MPOs and RTPOs. Later that year, the first Excellence Awards recognized noteworthy projects and practices in rural and small metropolitan areas that help meet regional transportation needs. Another legislative success for NADO occurred in 2012 when RTPOs were formally federally recognized for the first time in MAP-21. To further promote the work of NADO members, the first Photo Contest was in 2014 and has become an annual event.

Speaking of firsts, NADO first brought the ATC to Anchorage in 1997, and then again in 2008. We are ecstatic to be bringing our conference to America's Last Frontier again this year. As always, the ATC offers countless opportunities to share experiences, seek peer-to-peer solutions to particular challenges, hear about new approaches and strategies, and share innovative approaches to regional development. With nearly 50 plenary and concurrent sessions, learning labs, conversation cafés, mobile workshops, receptions and other networking events, the diversity in topics is broad. And, as is the hallmark of NADO's ATC, the conference offers a unique combination of sessions and speakers that blends economic development practitioners with expert subject matter trainers.

NADO's leadership is pleased that EDA Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Affairs Dennis Alvord will provide a keynote address during Monday's luncheon. He will be joined by all six of the EDA Regional Directors, and I encourage you to visit with all of them during the conference. Now, more than ever, it is important that we convey the important role EDA has across our regions.

The NADO Board of Directors encourages you to participate in two opportunities to learn more about



our organization's governance and operations: the 2017 Annual Business Meeting on Tuesday afternoon which will be followed immediately after by a Board of Directors meeting. We encourage you to attend these meetings to hear from the Association's leadership and staff and learn more about the programs and services your association is currently engaged in to promote and enhance regional development across the nation.

I hope you will plan to celebrate the accomplishments of the 2017 Innovation Awardees at the Roundtable Reception on Monday afternoon—the reception provides a perfect opportunity for attendees to learn about interesting and impactful projects and programs managed by their peers in an informal setting.

NADO's Executive Committee and Board of Directors appreciate your continued support of your national membership organization and we are excited that so many of our members, federal partners, and others engaged in economic development have joined us in Alaska. Please enjoy your time in Alaska, and return home rejuvenated and ready to help NADO tackle the next 50 years of firsts!

Very sincerely,

Lynne Keller Forbes
NADO President

Executive Director, South Eastern
Council of Governments, Sioux Falls, SD



SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

• FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Conference Registration (for Attendees of Friday's Mobile Workshops).....**2nd Level Lobby**

8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Mobile Workshop - Building Tomorrow's Workforce, Preserving Sea Life: AVTEC-Alaska's Institute of Technology and Alaska's SeaLife Center **Street Level Entrance 7th & G Streets**

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Mobile Workshop - Planting the Seeds for Food Security in the Mat-Su Valley **Street Level Entrance 7th & G Streets**

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration **2nd Level Lobby**

• SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration **2nd Level Lobby**

9:30 a.m. – Noon

Concurrent Learning Labs

- Harnessing the Power of Data to Improve Your CEDS **Kahtnu Room 1**
- Human Resources Basics: What Executive Directors Need to Know **Tubughnenq' Room 3**

Learning Labs are open to all conference attendees. Stop by the Conference Registration desk to register.

1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Concurrent Learning Labs

- Taking the CEDS to the Next Level Through the Content Guidelines **Kahtnu Room 1**
- What You Need to Know Now to Be an Effective RDO Leader **Tubughnenq' Room 3**

• SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration **2nd Level Lobby**

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting **Tubughnenq' Room 5**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Regional Resilience Roundtables **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Concurrent Learning Labs

- RDO Board Members: Becoming a Strong(er) Advocate for the RDO **Kahtnu Room 1**
- Moving from Measuring Success to Showing Relevance..... **Tubughnenq' Room 3**

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

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- Fiduciary Responsibility for RDO Board Members **Kahtnu Room 1**
- Telling Your Story/Sharing Your Successes **Tubughnenq' Room 3**
- Best Practices to Incorporate Resilience Into the CEDS **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**

3:45 – 5:15 p.m.

Membership Regional Caucus Meetings

- East **Kahtnu Room 1**
- Central **Kahtnu Room 2**
- Midwest..... **Tubughnenq' Room 3**
- Southeast **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**
- Southwest **Tubughnenq' Room 4**
- West **Tubughnenq' Room 5**

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Opening Reception **Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B**
Join your peers for conversation and catching up over hors d'oeuvres and beverages.

• MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration 2nd Level Lobby

7:30 – 8:15 a.m.

DDAA Breakfast..... Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Opening Plenary: The Indispensible Regional Development Organization: Continuing to Make the Case for Why RDOs Matter..... Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Networking Break 2nd Level Lobby

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Mobile Workshop - Ted Stevens International Airport Operations Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions and Conversation Café

- Building Community for Prosperity and Inclusion Tikahtnu Ballroom C
- Finding Catalysts in Your Community: Harnessing the Potential of Libraries and Museums.....Tikahtnu Ballroom D
- Emerging Leaders: Leadership Competencies You Need to Become a Successful Executive Director Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F
- Conversation Café: RDO Roles in Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Kahtnu Room 1 & 2

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B

1:45 – 3:15 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions and Conversation Café

- Leveraging Assets to Improve Health and Equity in Rural Communities Tikahtnu Ballroom C
- New Approaches to Economic Development: Looking Beyond the Norm Tikahtnu Ballroom D
- Engaging Employees through Times of Transition Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F
- Conversation Café: RDO Roles in Broadband..... Kahtnu Room 1 & 2

1:45 – 4:45 p.m.

Mobile Workshop - Anchorage Neighborhoods on the Move Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.

Networking Break 2nd Level Lobby

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions and Conversation Café

- Regional Partnerships to Achieve Transportation Outcomes..... Tikahtnu Ballroom C
- How to Stay Connected in the Workplace Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F
- Conversation Café: Aging Kahtnu Room 1 & 2

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Nominating Committee Tubughnenq' Room 5

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Innovation Awards Reception Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B
All attendees are invited to attend this roundtable reception to learn about the 2017 Innovation Award winning projects. Light snacks and beverages will be provided.

• TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration 2nd Level Lobby

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Mobile Workshop - Port of Anchorage Tour..... Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets

9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Plenary Session - The Power of Creative Placemaking Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Networking Break 2nd Level Lobby

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Mobile Workshop - Growing and Accelerating Anchorage's Entrepreneurial Community: A Visit to the Boardroom..... Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets



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10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions & Conversation Café

- Economic Development Integration (EDI): Breaking Down Silos to Build Up Local and Regional Economies..... **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**
- Building on Your Assets..... **Tikahtnu Ballroom D**
- Creating New Opportunities for Your Region's Workforce..... **Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F**
- Conversation Café: Brownfields Programs, Partnerships, and Possibilities..... **Kahtnu Room 1 & 2**

12:20 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch on Your Own

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Plenary Session: Advocacy in Regional Development **Tikahtnu Ballroom B**

2:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Networking Break **2nd Level Lobby**

2:45 – 5:15 p.m.

Annual Business Meeting **Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F**
NADO Board of Directors Meeting..... **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**
All NADO members are encouraged to attend the Annual Business and Board of Directors Meetings. It's a great way to learn more about the governance of your membership organization.

5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Innovation Awards Photo Session..... **2nd Level Lobby**

6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Reception / Cash Bar..... **3rd Level Lobby**

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

President's Award Dinner **Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F**
As always, the conference will end with the Annual President's Award Dinner where an individual is recognized for his or her contributions to regional development.
Cash bar followed by dinner.



Stay Connected at the ATC

Stay connected during the conference using the free Wi-Fi throughout the conference area!

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Attend the
**Innovation Awards
Reception on Monday
at 5:00 p.m. in the Tikahtnu
Ballroom A/B**



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• FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Conference Registration (for Mobile Workshop Attendees) **2nd Level Lobby**

8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Mobile Workshop

- Building Tomorrow's Workforce, Preserving Sea Life:
AVTEC-Alaska's Institute of Technology and Alaska's SeaLife Center..... **Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets**

Located on the edge of Resurrection Bay, Seward is home to the state's only public aquarium that includes marine research, education, and wildlife response, and the state's only post-secondary vocational training center. Both facilities contribute enormously to the city, region, and state economy. AVTEC's "career in less than a year" has proven highly successful in providing skills and pathways to careers. The workshop will include an overview of the important impact of AVTEC to the state's future, and a tour of the facility including the state-of-the-art maritime training center and the culinary academy (including lunch!). A tour of the SeaLife Center will offer insights into the important work they do to protect and preserve sea life and their various educational programs.

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Mobile Workshop

- Planting the Seeds for Food Security in the Mat-Su Valley **Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets**

The heart of the Matanuska Valley, Palmer's microclimate assures its place as an agricultural center for the state. A quiet town of miners, Palmer transformed forever when President Roosevelt's New Deal brought farmers from the Midwest to the Mat-Su to try their skills at farming in this fertile region. Today, Palmer's booming agriculture industry is helping boost Farmer's Markets, bring local foods to the table (at homes and restaurants), and contribute to the state's overall economy. This workshop will cover the unique agricultural history of the Mat-Su, its impact on food security and the economy, a stroll along Palmer's Edible Rail Trail, and visits to local farms as well as a locally-sourced meal.

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

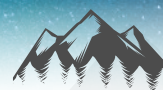
Conference Registration **2nd Level Lobby**

• SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration **2nd Level Lobby**

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9:30 a.m. – Noon

Concurrent Learning Labs

- *Harnessing the Power of Data to Improve Your CEDS* **Kahtnu Room 1**

Accessing, interpreting, and incorporating the right data are some of the most important tasks in writing an effective and compelling CEDS. This hands-on learning lab will highlight data tools and resources including StatsAmerica, BlastPoint, and the Area Sector Analysis Process (ASAP) that you can use to improve your CEDS and enable stakeholders to make more informed decisions. Make sure to bring your own laptop or tablet to follow along with the live demonstrations.

Marion Bentley, Director, Extension Business & Development Center, USU, Logan, UT

Russell Cowley, Executive Director, Six County AOG, Richfield, UT

Jody Gale, Sevier County & Southern Area Extension Agent, USU Cooperative Extension, Richfield, UT

Carol Rogers, Deputy Director and CIO, Indiana Business Research Center, Indianapolis, IN

Jeremy Shafon, Sales and Marketing Director, BlastPoint, Pittsburgh, PA

Nathan Ohle, Executive Director, Rural Community Assistance Partnership, Washington, DC, Moderator

- *Human Resources Basics: What Executive Directors Need to Know* **Tubughnenq' Room 3**

Is your personnel handbook current and comprehensive? Are your compensation and benefits plans competitive and realistic? Do you have processes in place to manage difficult staffing situations? Are you on top of current FMLA and other federal laws? What an executive director needs to know about HR systems and processes will be addressed in this workshop.

Sean Halloran, Special Counsel, Littler, Anchorage, AK

1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Concurrent Learning Labs

- *Taking the CEDS to the Next Level Through the Content Guidelines* **Kahtnu Room 1**

The U.S. Economic Development Administration's 2015 CEDS Content Guidelines ushered in a new era in CEDS planning, design, and implementation. This session will explore the ins and outs of the Content Guidelines, feature examples of CEDS that have embraced the opportunities provided by this framework, and explore additional key areas such as performance metrics, alignment with other planning processes, and engagement strategies to "tell the story of the CEDS" to key constituencies, including your board and CEDS Committee.

Nathan Ohle, Executive Director, Rural Community Assistance Partnership, Washington, DC

Aaron Sizemore, Executive Director, Mount Rogers Planning District Commission, Marion, VA

Matthew Suchodolski, Management Analyst, EDI, U.S. EDA, Philadelphia, PA

- *What You Need to Know Now to Be an Effective RDO Leader* **Tubughnenq' Room 3**

New RDO leaders are often struck by how much they need to learn as they assume new roles with greater responsibility in their organizations. During this Learning Lab, attendees will gain insights into what makes a strong RDO leader, including: building solid board relationships, proactively addressing staffing issues, and managing uncertainty.

Monica Scamardo, President, Variate, Round Rock, TX

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• SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration **2nd Level Lobby**

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting **Tubughnenq' Room 5**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Regional Resilience Roundtables..... **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**

Join your peers from around your EDA region for small group discussions about planning for resilience in your communities and integrating resilience into your CEDS. Share what has worked (and what hasn't) in making your region better equipped to prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural and economic shocks and disruptions.

Brett Schwartz, Program Manager, NADO Research Foundation, Washington, DC, Facilitator

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Concurrent Learning Labs

• *RDO Board Members: Becoming a Strong(er) Advocate for the RDO*..... **Kahtnu Room 1**

What is your role as a board member? How can you support the RDO and the executive director to insure longevity and sustainability? What is the balance between leading and micro-managing? What information do you need from the RDO leadership to best communicate to local business, the community and the local governments? What is your role in providing outreach to the RDO's various audiences? Learn how to be the best board member you can be during this interactive Learning Lab.

Monica Scamardo, President, Variate, Round Rock, TX

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• *Moving from Measuring Success to Showing Relevance* **Tubughnenq' Room 3**

If your organization disappeared, who would know? What would happen in your region without your RDO? This session will focus on sustainability of an organization, using information about impact and performance to show relevance to partners, funders, and key constituents.

Laurie Wolf, CEO, Foraker Group, Anchorage, AK

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Concurrent Learning Labs

• *Fiduciary Responsibility for RDO Board Members* **Kahtnu Room 1**

RDO board members play a critical role in assuring the organization's financial health is strong and will cover present and future needs. This Learning Lab will offer critical tips to board members regarding what to look for in the financial statements and accounting policies, including how to identify red flags, ways to avoid fraudulent situations, know what information you should be receiving regularly, and understanding the information provided, and other aspects that will help you better monitor the RDO's financial well-being.

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• *Telling Your Story/Sharing Your Successes* **Tubughnenq' Room 3**

RDOs often are conveners and facilitators that create a space for great work to happen, but they do not often take credit for this work. Attendees in this session will learn how to identify opportunities to create a narrative about RDO efforts, how to tell the story, and how to use "ambassadors" to spread the story about RDO strengths and impact.

Kate O'Brien, Director of Communication & Education, Foraker Group, Anchorage, AK

Laurie Wolf, CEO, Foraker Group, Anchorage, AK

• *Best Practices to Incorporate Resilience Into the CEDS* **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**

Planning for resilience positions communities and regions for long-term prosperity and success in the face of an uncertain economic and environmental landscape. RDOs across the country are exploring ways to incorporate resilience planning into their CEDS to address a variety of disruptions in their regions. In this session, hear about best practices and useful approaches for infusing resilience into your CEDS to better prepare for, respond to, and recover from both natural and economic shocks.

Cheryal Lee Hills, Executive Director, Region Five Development Commission, Staples, MN

Nathan Ohle, Executive Director, Rural Community Assistance Partnership, Washington, DC

Meilani Schijvens, Economic Development Planner, Southeast Conference, Juneau, AK

Brett Schwartz, Program Manager, NADO Research Foundation, Washington, DC

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DDAA Breakfast Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Opening Plenary: *The Indispensable Regional Development Organization: Continuing to Make the Case for Why RDOs Matter* Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B

As NADO marks its 50th Anniversary and many RDOs are also celebrating milestones, the time is right to reflect on the important role that our organizations play in supporting improved quality of life in our regions and local communities. During these times of change, it is critical for RDOs to continue to serve as leaders in regional development and communicate their role and relevancy to a wide cross-section of stakeholders and funders. In this plenary, hear from executive directors of RDOs across the country who are keeping their organizations front and center on issues of regional importance and learn ways to continue to keep your organization relevant and indispensable for years to come.

Tim Armer, Executive Director, North Central New Mexico EDD, Santa Fe, NM

Karl Elmshaeuser, Executive Director, West Central Nebraska Development District, Ogallala, NE

Nicole Griensewic Mickelson, Executive Director, Region Five Development Commission, Mankato, MN

Colleen Padilla, Executive Director, Southern Oregon Regional Development, Inc., Medford, OR

Martha Shickle, Executive Director, Richmond Regional Planning District Commission, Richmond, VA

Anthony Starr, Executive Director, Western Piedmont Council of Governments, Hickory, NC

Steve Etcher, Manager Location Strategies, Marks Nelson, Kansas City, MO, Facilitator

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Networking Break 2nd Level Lobby

10:00 a.m. – Noon

Mobile Workshop

• Ted Stevens International Airport Operations	Street Level Entrance 7th & G Streets
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Anchorage's airport is an important anchor in the economy of the region and the state, situated less than 9.5 hours from 90 percent of the industrial world. The Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport ranks second in the United States for landed weight of cargo aircraft, and is among the top five globally for cargo throughput. The airport is also the world's busiest floatplane base, serving a critical aviation need in Alaska. On this tour, attendees will learn about airport operations in a way typically unseen by airport passengers.

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions and Conversation Café

• *Building Community for Prosperity and Inclusion* **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**
Public, private, and nonprofit partners work together in Anchorage to promote policies, plans, and programs that support social and economic integration of new and long-time residents. Learn how these various efforts dovetail to ensure economic vitality, common ground, and shared leadership. Lessons learned from this session will apply at the regional, county, or community levels.

Moira Gallagher, Live. Work. Play. Director, AEDC, Anchorage, AK

Mara Kimmel, First Lady of Anchorage, City of Anchorage, Anchorage, AK

Lourdes Linato-Crawford, President, Bridge Builders of Anchorage, Anchorage, AK

Wanetta Ayers, Interim Executive Director, Prince William Sound, EDD, Anchorage, AK, Moderator

• *Finding Catalysts in Your Community: Harnessing the Potential of Libraries and Museums* **Tikahtnu Ballroom D**
The Institute of Museum and Library Services has launched a new initiative aimed at assisting libraries and museums in developing a deeper understanding of their role as catalysts of community vitality and co-creators of positive community change. This interactive session will explore examples of how museums and libraries are serving and collaborating with their communities in innovative ways, including through neighborhood revitalization, workforce development, digital literacy projects, veterans and military families support, tourism strategies, and early learning programs.

Kathryn K. Matthew, PhD., Director, Institute of Museum and Library Sciences, Washington, DC

• *Emerging Leaders: Leadership Competencies You Need to Become a Successful Executive Director* **Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F**

What leadership skills are needed for a first time ED? Do you have what it takes to be successful as an ED? If you want to proactively direct your career path and become an ED this session is for you. In this session you will assess your current skill base and compare it to what is expected in most ED positions. Then we will review some key competencies and the best practices for building them to get you prepared for your first ED position.

Monica Scamardo, President, Variate, Round Rock, TX

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Conversation Café:

• *RDO Roles in Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency* **Kahtnu Room 1 & 2**
How are other regional organizations involved in the renewable energy industry? How are they helping achieve energy efficiencies throughout their regions? Come to this conversation café to learn from your peers, and to share your ideas and successes.

Betty Riley, Executive Director, South Central Oregon EDD, Klamath Falls, OR, Facilitator

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon **Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B**

Introductions: **Lynne Keller Forbes**, President, NADO, and Executive Director, South Eastern COG, Sioux Falls, SD

Welcome: **A. Leonard Smith**, Regional Director, U.S. EDA, Seattle Regional Office, Seattle, WA

Keynote Address: **Dennis Alvord**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Affairs, U.S. EDA, Washington, DC

1:45 – 3:15 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions and Conversation Café

• *Leveraging Assets to Improve Health and Equity in Rural Communities* **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**
A growing body of research shows that people living in rural communities experience inequities in health and well-being compared to their urban counterparts. The NORC Walsh Center for Rural Health Analysis, with funding from the Robert

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Wood Johnson Foundation, is conducting formative research to explore opportunities to improve health and equity in rural communities using an asset-based community development approach. This session will provide an overview of rural health disparities data, followed by preliminary findings and key recommendations to strengthen rural communities based on an enhanced understanding of culture and history, priorities, assets, partners, and promising strategies unique to and common across rural communities and regions.

Michael Meit, MS, MPH, Co-Director, NORC Walsh Center for Rural Health Analysis, NORC at the University of Chicago, Bethesda, MD

Chris Rietow, Executive Director, Apalachee RPC, Tallahassee, FL, Moderator

• **New Approaches to Economic Development: Looking Beyond the Norm.....Tikahtnu Ballroom D**
Every day, across the country in both rural and urban regions and communities, new businesses and industries are emerging on the economic development landscape. Entrepreneurs and small business owners are looking beyond traditional sectors and launching enterprises that are creating jobs and financial security for employees while also providing services and products that are, in some cases, a bit outside the box. This session will share examples of ways RDOs are working with renewable energy, cannabis, and recreation/tourism businesses in their regions.

Emily Gojkovich, Economic Development Planner, Southwest NM COG, Silver City, NM

Al Lerma, Director, Business Development and Innovation, Sonoma County EDB, Santa Rosa, CA

Teri Provost, Program Analyst, SEDA-Council of Governments, Lewisburg, PA

Jay Trusty, Executive Director, Southwest Regional Development Commission, Slayton, MN, Moderator

• **Engaging Employees through Times of Transition.....Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F**
Changes in an organization, such as changing staffing levels, new management, different priorities, or cutting programs or taking on new ones, can disrupt organizational culture and cause staff to feel disengaged. Learn to help employees navigate these shifts and be fully engaged in their new reality.

Jim Reed, AICP, Executive Director, Central Texas Council of Governments, Belton, TX

Dr. Lynette Reed, Where Expectations Meet Reality, Salado, TX

Conversation Café:

• **RDO Roles in Broadband.....Kahtnu Room 1 & 2**
Join your peers for discussion on how regions can work with partners to look for opportunities to improve telecommunications infrastructure.

Miriam Gillow-Wiles, Executive Director, Southwest Colorado Council of Governments, Durango, CO, Facilitator

1:45 – 4:45 p.m.

Mobile Workshop

• **Anchorage Neighborhoods on the Move Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets**

Join staff from the Cook Inlet Housing Authority and Anchorage Community Land Trust to tour two evolving neighborhoods in Anchorage – Mountain View and Spenard. This tour will explore community and economic development approaches in each neighborhood, including initiatives around affordable housing, transportation infrastructure, placemaking, and the arts. Learn what partnerships and coalitions were created to support redevelopment, secure funding, and involve local residents in planning for the future of these neighborhoods.

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.

Networking Break.....**2nd Level Lobby**

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions and Conversation Café

• **Regional Partnerships to Achieve Transportation Outcomes.....Tikahtnu Ballroom C**

The public and private sectors often work on different timelines for delivering transportation projects, sometimes making effective communication difficult. In this session, hear from two regions how they have effectively brought together diverse stakeholders to develop long-range and short-term strategies. From effective freight stakeholder engagement to initiating new public transportation service with public and private involvement and investment.

Teresa Brewer, Senior Transportation Planner, Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions, Anchorage, AK

Vickie Williamson, Regional Development Coordinator, Ark-Tex COG, Texarkana, TX

Matthew Johnson, Community Development Director, Mid-Minnesota Develop. Comm., Willmar, MN, Moderator

• *How to Stay Connected in the Workplace* **Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F**

Employees are no longer tied to their desks. Or to their desktops. The ability to work on anything at any time means productivity doesn't stop when the office door closes and the computer screen goes dark. This revolution has driven the rapid development and adoption of cloud based applications, internet access across wired and wireless networks, and secure cloud storage. Now, whether on Mac or Windows, laptop or tablet...even a smartphone, the basic productivity programs are expected to be delivered seamlessly and in real time. The capacity to work on a document or application in the office and then use a mobile device to pick up where you left off is easily delivered. This session will address today's cloud-based options for ways work can be accomplished more efficiently.

Sandy Reeser, President, VC3, Columbia, SC

Dale Graver, Vice President of Business Development, Columbia, SC

Conversation Café:

• *Aging*..... **Kahtnu Room 1 & 2**

Join your peers for a casual conversation about the latest trends in meeting the needs of the aging population in your regions. Share your strategies for overcoming challenges and obstacles, as well as your innovative approaches to service delivery.

Sarah Penick Smith, Executive Director, Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments, Georgetown, SC, Facilitator

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Nominating Committee **Tubughnenq' Room 5**

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Innovation Awards Reception **Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B**

All attendees are invited to attend this roundtable reception to learn about the 2017 Innovation Award winning projects. Light snacks and beverages will be provided.

• TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration **2nd Level Lobby**

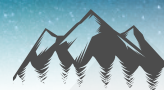
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Mobile Workshop

• *Port of Anchorage Tour*..... **Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets**

The deep water Port of Anchorage is at the center of Alaska's distribution hub and provides connections to rail and truck freight movements. The port is critical to Alaskans' ability to access goods, since over 3.5 million tons of food, building materials, cars, clothing, and other goods pass through the port annually. During the tour, attendees will hear from port officials about the port's economic impact, port operations, vessels calling at the port, and more.

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9:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Plenary Session: *The Power of Creative Placemaking* **Tikahtnu Ballroom B**

Creative placemaking integrates the arts and culture into public spaces to fuel economic growth, spark civic engagement, and improve overall quality of life. From free concert series in parks to mural projects in vacant lots to public art in storefronts, the benefits of creative placemaking projects are numerous, including increased foot traffic which often drives economic activity, reduces crime, and builds positive perceptions of a place. Creative placemaking projects also create environments where neighbors connect, voices are expressed, and traditions are celebrated. Sharon Yazowski, executive director of the national Mortimer & Mimi Levitt Foundation, will deliver a relevant plenary exploring the power of creative placemaking—highlighting the impact of free outdoor concerts—in injecting new economic and social vitality into a public space and creating positive ripple effects that extend throughout a community.

Sharon Yazowski, Executive Director, Mortimer & Mimi Levitt Foundation, Los Angeles, CA

Doug Elliott, Executive Director, East Central Iowa Council of Governments, Cedar Rapids, IA, Moderator

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Networking Break 2nd Level Lobby

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Mobile Workshop

- *Growing and Accelerating Anchorage's Entrepreneurial Community: A Visit to the Boardroom*..... **Street Level Entrance
7th & G Streets**

The Boardroom opened in downtown Anchorage in 2013 to serve as a flexible and affordable workspace for the city's growing class of independent workers, small businesses, mavericks, freelancers, and consultants. On this tour, learn how the Boardroom is a vital part of Anchorage's entrepreneurial ecosystem by connecting its members with corporate partners, facilitating networking opportunities, and providing technical assistance and guidance to start-ups and small businesses. Participants will also get a chance to meet staff from some of the organizations based out of the Boardroom including Launch Alaska, the state's first accelerator that takes companies through a four-month process to position them for growth and investment.

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions

- *Economic Development Integration (EDI): Breaking Down Silos
to Build Up Local and Regional Economies*..... **Tikahtnu Ballroom C**

The federal government can be a critical partner as regions work to produce new employment opportunities, expand existing businesses, and contribute to increased regional prosperity. But navigating the muddy waters of federal funding programs can at times be confusing and overwhelming. This session will highlight EDI, the U.S. Economic Development Administration's initiative to promote the federal government's various economic development resources that supports the capacity of local and regional stakeholders to invest in dynamic, innovative projects that will lead to enhanced economic growth and diversification outcomes for communities across the country.

Angela Belden Martinez, Regional Director, U.S. EDA, Denver, CO

Linda Cruz-Carnall, Regional Director, U.S. EDA, Philadelphia, PA

Shirley Kelly, EDR, U.S. EDA, Anchorage, AK

Doug Lynott, Director, Economic Development Integration, U.S. EDA, Washington, DC

Matthew Suchodolski, Management Analyst, EDI, U.S. EDA, Philadelphia, PA

• *Building on Your Assets* **Tikahtnu Ballroom D**

Learn how RDOs have identified productive assets to stimulate economic growth and build value in their communities. Lessons learned in this session can be applied to asset-based development and wealth creation in many economic sectors. Learn how the assets were identified, how partners are engaged, and how CEDS strategies are implemented to build upon regional assets and meet demand.

Dawn Espe, Regional Planner, Region Five Development Commission, Staples, MN

Amanda Hoey, Executive Director, Mid-Columbia Economic Development District, The Dalles, OR

Mike Pennington, Executive Director, Tri-County Council for the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland, Salisbury, MD, Moderator

• *Creating New Opportunities for Your Region's Workforce* **Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F**

RDOs can play a variety of roles in ensuring a region has a skilled and engaged talent pool of workers. These efforts include spearheading training and workforce development programs, supporting educational and mentoring opportunities, and providing networking assistance and advice for job seekers. Learn what new programs have been established by RDOs across the country that are providing wide-ranging support to both local workers and employers, which in turn are making their regions more competitive and prosperous.

Jenifer Buford, Community Development Director, East Central PDD, Newton, MS

Lisa Hankins, REDI Director, Southwest Tennessee Development District, Jackson, TN

Danna Stansbury, Deputy Executive Director, Land of Sky Regional Council, Asheville, NC

Carol Jackson, Executive Director, Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council, Parkersburg, WV, Moderator

Conversation Café:

• *Brownfields Programs, Partnerships, and Possibilities* **Kahtnu Room 1 & 2**

Join your peers for an informal conversation about brownfields program structures, activities, partnerships, grant applications, funding sources, and other related topics. Share your lessons learned as well as hear how others have overcome challenges and obstacles throughout the program development and implementation phases of their projects.

Ron Townley, PDS Program Director, Upper Coastal Plains COG, Wilson, NC, Facilitator

12:20 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch on Your Own

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Plenary Session: *Advocacy in Regional Development* **Tikahtnu Ballroom B**

Outreach and engagement on public policy remains as important now as ever. In this closing plenary, participants will learn tips and strategies to help regional development entities inform and engage key policymakers and federal officials. In connecting content to real-world scenarios, NADO members will share examples of successful advocacy with federal stakeholders on regional projects and programs. To round out the session, specific issues will be discussed for participants to jumpstart advocacy efforts in the region.

Misty Casto, Executive Director, Buckeye Hills Regional Council, Marietta, OH

Matthew Dolge, Executive Director, Piedmont Triad Council, Kernersville, NC

Richard Hunsaker, Executive Director, Region XII, Carroll, IA (Invited)

Josh Shumaker, Legislative Associate, NADO, Washington, DC

Susan Howard, Legislative Director, NADO, Washington, DC, Moderator

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2:30 – 2:45 p.m.

Networking Break 2nd Level Lobby

2:45 – 5:15 p.m.

Annual Business Meeting Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F

NADO Board of Directors Meeting Tikahtnu Ballroom C

All NADO members are encouraged to attend the Annual Business Meeting and Board of Director meeting.

It's a great way to learn more about the governance of *your* membership organization.

5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Innovation Award Photo Session 2nd Level Lobby

6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Reception / Cash Bar 3rd Level Lobby

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

President's Award Dinner Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B

As always, the conference will end with the Annual President's Award Dinner where an individual is recognized for his or her contributions to regional development. Cash bar followed by dinner.

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RECOGNIZING INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO REGIONAL ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Congratulations to the 2017 NADO Innovation Awards recipients! Each year, the Innovation Awards program honors NADO members for their creative approaches to advancing regional community and economic development and improved quality of life. These projects have made significant impacts on their regions and demonstrate the diversity of services and program delivery provided by regional development organizations across the country. The projects will be recognized at a special reception on **Monday, September 11 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Tikahtnu Ballroom A/B** at the Convention Center. They will also be featured in an interactive online Story Map created by our partners at Esri.

The 2017 class of award recipients consists of 80 projects spanning 21 states:

ALABAMA

- Lee-Russell Council of Governments, Red Clay Brewing Company
- West Alabama Regional Commission, Pickens County Utility Systems Mapping

ARIZONA

- Greenlee County, Health – The Highway to Greenlee County, Arizona

FLORIDA

- Apalachee Regional Planning Council, Chattahoochee to Bristol Trail Feasibility Study
- Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Avon Park Air Force Range Joint Land Use Study Public Awareness Videos
- Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Greater Auburndale JPA Overlay District Land Development Regulations
- East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, The Route Condition Tool
- East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Delivered Justice Full Scale Exercise
- East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Kissimmee Medical Arts District Program
- North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Experience North Florida By Bicycle

- South Florida Regional Planning Council, Infrastructure Protection Resources: Improving the Planning Process to Protect Infrastructure Emerging from Coastal Flood Hazards
- Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Village of Tequesta US1 Master Plan and Complete Streets Project
- West Florida Regional Planning Council, rideOn Commuter Services
- West Florida Regional Planning Council, Emerald Coast Transportation Symposium

GEORGIA

- Georgia Association of Regional Commissions, Georgia MAP-21 Program
- Georgia Mountains Regional Commission, Sautee Nacoochee Center Campus Plan
- Georgia Mountains Regional Commission, Lake Lanier Olympic Venue Project
- Georgia Mountains Regional Commission, Nifco KTW America Building Construction Project
- Middle Georgia Regional Commission, City of Perry Housing Assessment
- Middle Georgia Regional Commission, Wellness Sustainability
- Southern Georgia Regional Commission, Valdosta and Lowndes County Complete Streets Suitability
- Southern Georgia Regional Commission, Innovative Resource Management through Enhanced Web-Based Mapping Applications

- Southern Georgia Regional Commission, Improving Citizen Service Through Improved Work Order Management

IOWA

- East Central Iowa Council of Governments, Facilitate, Fund, Flourish: Community Development Through Revolving Loan Funds
- Region XII Council of Governments, Public Transit to Support Employment

KENTUCKY

- Northern Kentucky Area Development District, NKY Community Cat Diversion Project
- Purchase Area Development District, Merryman House Expansion

MAINE

- Northern Maine Development Commission, Proper Planning for Small Business Success

MINNESOTA

- Mid-Minnesota Development Commission, McLeod County Trails Plan
- Region Five Development Commission, Sprout Growers and Makers Marketplace
- Region Nine Development Commission, Climate Change Adaptation Planning

MISSISSIPPI

- Central Mississippi Planning & Development District, Copiah County Medical Center
- East Central Planning & Development District, MCC-Riley Workforce Development Center
- East Central Planning & Development District, Kemper County Economic Development Building Expansion
- Northeast Mississippi Planning & Development District, Marshall County Rockfon Infrastructure Project
- Northeast Mississippi Planning & Development District, Alcorn County/Public Building Improvements/Avecus
- Northeast Mississippi Planning & Development District, Town of Byhalia Industrial Road Improvements
- Three Rivers Planning & Development District, The Furniture Academy

NEW MEXICO

- Southwest New Mexico Council of Governments, Southwest New Mexico Green Energy and Jobs

NEW YORK

- Southern Tier East Regional Planning Development Board, Area Development Online Application

NORTH CAROLINA

- Eastern Carolina Council, Carteret County Waterway Prioritization System
- Land of Sky Regional Council, Community Led Fall Prevention
- Land of Sky Regional Council, R.I.D.E. (Ridership Independence for the Disabled and Elderly)
- Land of Sky Regional Council, Backpacks to Briefcases
- Piedmont Triad Regional Council, Collaboration for Greener Homes
- Triangle J Council of Governments, TJCOC Livability Self-Assessment for Local Governments and Toolkit
- Triangle J Council of Governments, Triangle J Transportation Demand Management
- Triangle J Council of Governments, Triangle Area Water Supply Monitoring Project
- Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments, UCP Brownfields Coalition
- Western Piedmont Council of Governments, Priorities First, Let's Communicate

OHIO

- Buckeye Hills Regional Council, Marietta Collaborative Parking Inventory

OREGON

- Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation / Northeast Oregon Economic Development District, Supporting Eastern Oregon's New Natural Resource Economy
- Mid-Columbia Economic Development District, Gorge Night Sky
- Southern Oregon Regional Economic Development, Inc., SOREDI "Edge" Campaign
- Southern Oregon Regional Economic Development, Inc., SOREDI Virtual Buildings

PENNSYLVANIA

- SEDA-Council of Governments, Central PA Asset Based Economy – Outdoor Recreation and Tourism as an Economic Engine
- SEDA-Council of Governments, Flood Mitigation and Resiliency Planning

SOUTH CAROLINA

- Berkeley Charleston Dorchester Council of Governments, BCDCOG Blog
- Catawba Regional Council of Governments, Chester County Industrial Site Analysis
- Catawba Regional Council of Governments, Chester County Gateway Master Plan
- Central Midlands Council of Governments, Central SC Stronger Economies Together (SET)
- Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments, Heartfelt Patriotism
- Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments, "Hire Me" – Industry-Specific Regional Hiring Events for Economic Development Prospects
- Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments, Understanding the Green Heart of South Carolina: Santee-Lynches Green Infrastructure Inventory
- Upper Savannah Council of Governments, Greenwood Genetic Center Strategic Plan
- Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments, WIOA Young Adult Career Readiness Boot Camp
- Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments, Career and Technology Education (CATE) Employability Initiative

SOUTH DAKOTA

- South Eastern Council of Governments, Solid Waste Management Financing Partnership

TENNESSEE

- First Tennessee Development District, CareerQuest TN
- Southwest Tennessee Development District, MyRide West TN
- Southwest Tennessee Development District, REDI College Access Program – Any College Simulation
- Upper Cumberland Development District, Clay County Comprehensive Plan Project

TEXAS

- Alamo Area Council of Governments, Securing the Future of Joint Base San Antonio through Regional Land Use Coordination
- Ark-Tex Council of Governments, Paris Metro Fixed-Route Bus Service
- Central Texas Council of Governments, Veterans Directed Health Care Program
- Heart of Texas Council of Governments, Bringing State-of-the-Art 9-1-1 Technology to the Rural HOTCOG Region

UTAH

- Six County Association of Governments/ Economic Development District, Six County Area Sector Analysis Process (ASAP)

VIRGINIA

- New River Valley Regional Commission, Mapping and Data Partnership with the New River Health District
- Richmond Regional Planning District Commission, The Capital Region Collaborative
- Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission, Where the Sidewalk Ends: RIDE Solutions Mobility Tour

*Innovation Award winners
as of August 31, 2017*





PHOTO CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2017 NADO PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS AND RUNNERS-UP!

This year, over 150 images were submitted from members across the country that demonstrated what makes their regions great places to live, work, and play. Images were judged in five categories: "Strengthening the Built and Natural Environments," "Building Vibrant Places," "Investing in Our Communities," "Sustaining Our Communities," and a special "50 Year Retrospective" category to mark NADO's Golden Anniversary. A "People's Choice" winner was also chosen online by the public via our Facebook page where over 2,300 votes were cast. Visit www.nado.org to see all of the images submitted for the contest and learn the stories behind the winning photos. Thanks to all of our members who participated this year. Remember, it's never too early to start snapping creative photos for next year's contest!





Strengthening the Built and Natural Environments:

- ① Winner: Upper Cumberland Development District (TN)
- ② Runner-Up: Sweetgrass Development (MT)

Building Vibrant Places:

- ③ Winner: Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission (VA)
- ④ Runner-Up: Tri-County Council for Western Maryland

Investing in Our Regional Economy:

- ⑤ Winner: Imperial Calcasieu Regional Planning and Development Commission (LA)
- ⑥ Runner-Up: Lamoille County Planning Commission (VT)

Sustaining Our Communities:

- ⑦ Winner: Region Nine Development Commission (MN)
- ⑧ Runner-Up: Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission (OH)

50 Years Retrospective:

- ⑨ Winner: Alamo Area Council of Governments (TX)
- ⑩ Runner-Up: Upper Savannah Council of Governments (SC)

People's Choice:

- ⑪ Winner: Region XII Council of Governments (IA)

NADO

• AICP CERTIFICATION MAINTENANCE SESSIONS

American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) are required to participate in APA-eligible education and training opportunities to earn mandatory credits and remain current with the latest trends, technologies, and best practices. NADO is a provider with the American Planning Association's (APA) Certification Maintenance (CM) Program. The following sessions at the ATC 2017 should meet AICP certification maintenance requirements. Visit www.planning.org/cm to learn how to get approval for your attendance at these sessions.

- Harnessing the Power of Data to Improve Your CEDS - CM 2.5
- Taking the CEDS to the Next Level Through the Content Guidelines - CM 2.5
- Regional Resilience Roundtables - CM 2
- Best Practices to Incorporate Resilience Into the CEDS - CM 2.5
- Finding Catalysts in Your Community: Harnessing the Potential of Libraries and Museums - CM 1.5
- Leverage Assets to Improve Health and Equity in Rural Communities - CM 1.5
- New Approaches to Economic Development: Looking Beyond the Norm - CM 1.5
- Conversation Café: RDO Roles in Broadband - CM 1.5
- Mobile Workshop: Anchorage Neighborhoods on the Move - CM 3
- Regional Partnerships to Achieve Transportation Outcomes - CM 1
- Mobile Workshop: Port of Anchorage - CM 3
- Mobile Workshop: Growing and Accelerating Anchorage's Entrepreneurial Community: A Visit to the Boardroom - CM 2
- Economic Development Integration: Breaking Down Silos to Build Up Local and Regional Economies - CM 1.25
- Building on Your Assets - CM 1.25
- Creating New Opportunities for Your Region's Workforce - CM 1.25

KENTUCKY COUNTY OFFICIALS TRAINING CREDIT

Kentucky's training incentive program for elected county officials began with the enactment of House Bill 810 (KRS 64.5275), effective in January 1999. The program offers county judge-executives, fiscal court members, clerks, sheriffs and jailers an annual financial incentive to participate in continuing training relevant to their official duties. NADO's 2017 Annual Training Conference is an approved event. If you did not receive a Certification Form for this conference in your conference packet, please stop by the Conference Registration and Information Center to get one. You must have a NADO staff person or the session presenter initial the form next to the appropriate session. Attendees are responsible for submitting the forms to the Kentucky Department for Local Government after the conference.

• ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, September 12 - 2:45 pm
Tikahtnu Ballroom E/F

Presiding Officer
Lynne Keller Forbes, *President*

Welcoming Remarks
Ms. Keller Forbes

Minutes
Misty Casto, *Secretary*

Treasurer's Report
Kevin Byrd, *Treasurer*

Membership Report and Recognition of Platinum Plus and Platinum Members and New Sustaining Members
Scott Koons, *2nd Vice President*

State of the Association Report
Joe McKinney, *Executive Director*

Nominating Committee Report
Leanne Mazer, *Chair*

Election of Officers
Ms. Keller Forbes

Other Business
Ms. Keller Forbes

NOTE: VOTING CREDENTIALS

Voting delegates must turn in a completed credential form at the NADO registration desk to receive their voting delegate ribbon. Voting delegates sit in a specially marked section during the Annual Business Meeting on Tuesday and vote for officers of NADO and organizational business issues. Only voting delegates wearing a green ribbon will be allowed to vote, but all conference registrants are encouraged to attend the business meeting.

The NADO Board of Directors Meeting will convene in Tikahtnu Ballroom C immediately following the Annual Business Meeting. The Annual Business Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting are open to all NADO members.



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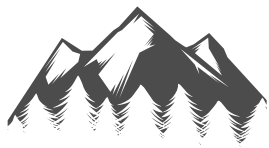
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North Central Florida Regional Planning Council
(Gainesville, FL)

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Commissioner, Bear River Association
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VA)

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Regional Commission (Roanoke, VA)

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RDC (Appleton, MN)

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California Economic Development;
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Advocacy Council (Phoenix, AZ)

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Council of ADDs (Louisville, KY)

Linda Salmonson, Economic
Development Manager, East River
Electric Power Co-op (Madison, SD)

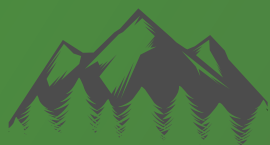
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+Retired in 2017

#Elected in 2017 to replace retiring member





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• 2017 NADO MEMBERSHIP

As of
August 10, 2017

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NW Alabama Council of Local Governments
RPC of Greater Birmingham
South Alabama RPC
Southeast Alabama RPDC
Top of Alabama Regional COG
West Alabama Regional Commission

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Northern Arizona Council of Governments
South Eastern Arizona Governments Organization

ARKANSAS

Central Arkansas PDD
East Arkansas PDD
Northwest Arkansas EDD
Southeast Arkansas EDD
Southwest Arkansas PDD
West Central Arkansas PDD
Western Arkansas PDD
White River PDD

CALIFORNIA

Superior California Economic Development

COLORADO

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Region 9 EDD of SW Colorado, Inc.
Southern Colorado EDD

CONNECTICUT

Capitol Region COG

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Central Florida RPC
East Central Florida RPC
North Central Florida RPC
Northeast Florida Regional Council
South Florida RPC
Tampa Bay RPC
Treasure Coast RPC
West Florida RPC

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CSRA Regional Commission
Georgia Mountains Regional Commission

Heart of Georgia Regional Commission
Middle Georgia Regional Commission
Northeast Georgia Regional Commission
Northwest Georgia Regional Commission
River Valley Regional Commission
Southern Georgia Regional Commission
Southwest Georgia Regional Commission
Three Rivers Regional Commission

IDAHO

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Southeast Idaho COG

ILLINOIS

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EDD of Northern Illinois
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North Central Illinois COG
Southeastern Illinois RP&DC
Western Illinois Regional Council

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North Central Indiana RPC
River Hills EDD & RPC
Southern Indiana Development Commission

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East Central Iowa COG
Iowa Northland Regional COG
MIDAS COG
North Iowa Area COG
Region Six Planning Commission
Region XII COG
Siouxland Interstate MPC
Southeast Iowa RPC
Southwest Iowa Planning Council

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Flint Hills Regional Council
North Central Kansas RPC
Northwest Kansas PDC
South Central Kansas EDD, Inc.

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Big Sandy ADD
Bluegrass ADD
Buffalo Trace ADD
Cumberland Valley ADD

FIVCO ADD
Gateway ADD
Green River ADD
Kentucky River ADD
KIPDA
Lake Cumberland ADD
Lincoln Trail ADD
Northern Kentucky ADD
Pennyrile ADD
Purchase ADD

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Imperial Calcasieu RP&DC
Kisatchie-Delta RP&DD
North Delta RP&DD
South Central PDC

MAINE

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Greater Portland COG
Northern Maine Development Commission
Southern Maine RPC

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Tri-County Council for Western Maryland

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Old Colony Planning Council
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission

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Networks Northwest
Northeast Michigan COG
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Western Upper Peninsula PDR

MINNESOTA

Arrowhead RDC
East Central RDC
Headwaters RDC
Mid-Minnesota Development Commission
Northwest RDC
Region Five Development Commission
Region Nine Development Commission
Southwest RDC
Upper Minnesota Valley RDC

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East Central PDD

Golden Triangle PDD
North Central PDD
North Delta PDD
Northeast Mississippi PDD
South Delta PDD
Southern Mississippi PDD
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Mo-Kan Regional Council
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Northwest Missouri Regional COG
Pioneer Trails RPC
Southeast Missouri RP&EDC

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Bear Paw Economic Development Corp.
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South Central EDD
Southeast Nebraska Development District
West Central Nebraska Development District

NEVADA

Western Nevada Development District

NEW HAMPSHIRE

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North Country Council
Southwest RPC
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee RPC

NEW MEXICO

Eastern Plains COG
Mid-Region COG
North Central New Mexico EDD
Northwest New Mexico COG
South Central New Mexico COG
Southeastern New Mexico EDD/COG
Southwest New Mexico COG

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Genesee/Finger Lakes RPC
Southern Tier Central RP&D Board
Southern Tier East RP&D Board
Southern Tier West RP&D Board

NORTH CAROLINA

Albemarle Commission
Centralina COG
Eastern Carolina Council
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Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments
Land-of-Sky Regional Council
Lumber River COG
Mid-Carolina COG
Mid-East Commission
Piedmont Triad Regional Council
Southeastern EDC
Southwestern Commission
Triangle J COG
Upper Coastal Plain COG
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NORTH DAKOTA

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Lewis & Clark RDC
Red River Regional Council

OHIO

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Grand Gateway EDA
Indian Nations COG
Northern Oklahoma Development Authority
Oklahoma EDA
South Western Oklahoma Development Authority

OREGON

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Panhandle RPC
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South Plains AOG
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Northwest RPC
Rutland RPC
Southern Windsor County RPC
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VIRGINIA

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Mount Rogers PDC
New River Valley PDC
Northern Neck PDC
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Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional
Commission
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Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council
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IOWA

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Iowa Department of Transportation

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Kentucky Council of ADDs
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MICHIGAN

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Missouri State University
Southeast Missouri State University

MONTANA

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Rural Community Assistance Corporation

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New MARC

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OKLAHOMA

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SOUTH DAKOTA

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TENNESSEE

Tennessee Development District Association

TEXAS

HeadlightData
Texas Association of Regional Councils

VERMONT

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Virginia Association of PDCs

WASHINGTON

Washington Association of EDDs

WEST VIRGINIA

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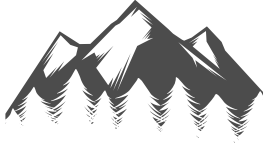
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