



What to know before you go...

The National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) and the Development District Association of Appalachia (DDAA) welcome you to this year's Washington Conference in Arlington, Virginia on March 12-15, 2023. The reference guide below contains general event information to help participants prepare to attend the conference.

[See who](#) will be attending this year's Washington Conference and download the [conference program \(PDF\)](#).

Conference Mobile App – Whova

The 2023 NADO & DDAA Washington Conference is using the Whova mobile app again this year! From your mobile device, you can easily search the conference program, create your own customized schedule, engage with other attendees, send messages to conference organizers, post photos, access important conference materials and handouts, and much more. ***There will be no formal printed programs available onsite for attendees. If you would like a hard-copy of the program, we encourage you to print the PDF linked at the top of this email. We recommend using Whova to view the digital conference program.***

Already have the Whova app on your mobile device?

If you signed up for Whova using the same email address you used to register for the conference, the 2023 NADO & DDAA Washington Conference will automatically appear under the 'My Events' tab in the app. If you used a different email address to sign up for Whova, you will need to enter this invitation code to join the event: **washcon2023**

New to Whova?

Download the Whova app onto your mobile device via the App Store or Google Play store. Sign up using the same email address you used to register for the conference. Once you have signed up for the app, you should be taken directly to the event. If you aren't directly added to the event, you will need to enter this invitation code to join: **washcon2023**

Please do **not** share the invitation code with people who are **not** attendees of the event.

Questions? Email kdeleon@nado.org.

General Hotel Information

Conference Hotel: Crystal Gateway Marriott

1700 Richmond Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202

Telephone: (703) 920-3230

Check-in: 4:00 pm

Check-out: 12:00 pm

Exclusive Amenities

- Mobile Key
- Digital Check-In
- Mobile Dining

Hotel reservation questions? Email NADO's Meetings and Membership Manager, Brittany Salazar at bsalazar@nado.org

Wi-Fi

You will have complimentary high speed wireless internet access in your guest room at the Marriott. For Wi-Fi in the meeting space, login to the **NADODDAA** network, and use this passkey: **washcon23**

Hotel Parking

Parking is available in the underground parking garage.

- Self-parking rate is \$20.00 from 0-1 hour; \$26.00 from 1-2 hours; and \$39.00 from 3-24 hours, per day per car.
- Self-parking rate is \$39.00 per car for overnight guests.
- Valet parking rate is \$28.00 from 0-2 hours; \$45.00 from 3-24 hours, per day per car.
- Valet parking rate is \$45.00 per car for overnight guests.

Hotel Cancellation Policy

An individual may cancel their reservation up until 6pm on the day of arrival without a cancellation fee. Should an individual cancel their room reservation after 6pm on the day of arrival, hotel will charge one night's room and tax to that individual's credit card. There is no penalty for individual early departures.

Dining at the Hotel

Hotel Restaurant

15th & Eads features locally sourced American cuisine in a relaxed environment. Open daily.

6:30 AM-10:30 AM

4:00 PM-11:00 PM (Bar closes at 12:00 AM)

The Market

Stop by the Market in the hotel lobby for a drink or quick bite to eat. Choose from a selection of breakfast or dinner entrees made with fresh, local ingredients as well as soft drinks and alcoholic drinks. Open 24/7.

M Club Lounge – Marriott Bonvoy Platinum Elite Members Only

Exclusive access includes daily breakfast buffet, evening service and hors d'oeuvres as well as 24-hour access to snacks, coffee, juice, and sodas. Cocktails and wine service available for a fee. Marriott Bonvoy Platinum Elite members, plus one guest, automatically enjoy access to the M Club as part of their Elite status. Additional guest passes are available. Please inquire at the front desk for purchase.

A La Carte - In Room Dining

Dine from the comfort of your room! Choose from a selection of breakfast or dinner entrees made with fresh, local ingredients as well as soft drinks and alcoholic drinks. Open daily from 6:00 AM-12:00 AM.

Transportation

Airports

When flying to Washington (WAS), there are (3) main airports:

[Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport \(DCA\)](#)

Distance from property: 2 Miles

Phone Number: (703) 417-8000

Complimentary Hotel Airport Shuttle: Marriott airport shuttle service runs 5am to midnight every 30 mins. Last hotel departure is at 11:30pm. Be sure to get off at the Crystal Gateway Marriott stop (conference hotel).

[Washington Dulles International Airport \(IAD\)](#)

Distance from property: 27 Miles

Phone Number: (703) 572-2700

Alternate Airport Transportation: Washington Flyer

[Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport \(BWI\)](#)

Distance from property: 37 Miles

Phone Number: (410) 859-7111

Alternate Airport Transportation: Super Shuttle

Bus Station

[Washington Greyhound Station](#)


Subway (Metro) Stations

[Crystal City \(Blue & Yellow Lines\)](#)

Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (Blue & Yellow Lines)

Note: There are metro closures that could impact your travel. The closures below will likely only affect your travel from the conference hotel into downtown Washington, DC. Instead of taking the yellow line, you will take the blue line (which will add a few extra stops). The metro line from

Reagan National (DCA) to the Crystal Gateway Marriott (conference hotel) will be operating normally.

Line	Impact	Stations Closed	Work Performed
	Shutdown between Pentagon and L'Enfant Plaza. No Yellow Line service. Stations will be served by Green and Blue lines.	None	Yellow Line Bridge and Tunnel Rehabilitation Project

Train Stations

[Union Station](#)

[Virginia Railway Express](#)

Uber

NADO will provide Uber ride vouchers for transportation into Washington, DC for conference attendees who are attending meetings on Capitol Hill upon request. Please visit the registration desk in the Arlington Foyer (1st Floor) for more information.

During the Meeting

Registration

Upon arrival, pick up your name badge and meeting materials at the registration desk located in Arlington Foyer (1st Floor).

Hours of Operation:

Sunday, March 12 - 10:00 am – 5:30 pm

Monday, March 13 - 7:30 am – 5:30 pm

Tuesday, March 14 - 7:30 am – 4:30 pm

Wednesday, March 15 - 8:00 am – 10:00 am

Conference Registration Questions? Email NADO’s Operations Manager, Krystal De Leon, at kdeleon@nado.org.

Attire

Business attire is recommended for this conference.

Social Media

Follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#)! Please tag NADO and use the hashtag #WashCon23

Federal Stakeholders Networking Reception

The Federal Stakeholders Networking Reception held on Monday March 13 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. provides an opportunity for federal agency staff and leadership and other DC-based national

stakeholder organizations to interact with NADO and DDAA members. To see a list of those confirmed to participate [click here](#).

Code of Conduct Policy







During this conference participants are expected to maintain a professional environment. Discrimination, harassment, and conduct that can be considered unprofessional, disruptive, inappropriate, or discourteous will not be tolerated. To view the interim code of conduct policy adopted by the NADO Executive Committee in March 2023, [click here](#).

About Arlington, VA/Washington, DC

Time Zone

Arlington, VA is in the Eastern Standard Time Zone (EST).

Weather

Sat 11	52°/35°		Showers
Sun 12	51°/37°		PM Showers
Mon 13	48°/32°		Showers
Tue 14	48°/30°		Partly Cloudy
Wed 15	48°/31°		Partly Cloudy
Thu 16	49°/30°		Partly Cloudy

Restaurants Nearby

[The Portofino Restaurant](#) - .4 Miles

(703) 979-8200 | Open for Lunch & Dinner | Dress Code: Dress Jeans

[Morton's The Steakhouse](#) - .4 Miles

(703) 418-1444 | Open for Dinner | Dress Code: Shirt/Slacks Req.

[McCormick & Schmick's Seafood & Steaks](#) - .4 Miles

(703) 413-6400 | Open for Lunch & Dinner | Dress Code: Dress Jeans

[Ruth's Chris Steak House](#) - .5 Miles

(703) 979-7275 | Open for Lunch & Dinner | Dress Code: Shirt/Slacks Req.

[Lebanese Taverna](#) - .8 Miles

(703) 415-8681 | Open for Lunch & Dinner | Dress Code: Casual

[Legal Sea Foods](#) - .9 Miles

(703) 415-1200 | Open for Lunch & Dinner | Dress Code: Casual

[More Nearby Things to Do](#)

See you soon!