National Association of Counties TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE

OVERVIEW

Counties play an essential role in America's transportation and infrastructure networks. Investing over \$100 billion each year in roads, bridges, transit, water systems and other public facilities, counties facilitate everything from Americans' daily commutes to the shipping of goods around the globe.

A vast majority of the people and goods in the United States travel via county transportation infrastructure every day. Counties are responsible for building and



maintaining 45 percent of public roads and nearly 40 percent of bridges, and are involved in the operations of a third of the nation's transit systems and airports.

The decisions that county leaders make every day about transportation, infrastructure, land use and economic development policies and investments influence local and national economic opportunities, shape how communities grow and change and contribute to Americans' quality of life. Through regional partnerships and cooperation with federal, state and other local governments, nonprofit organizations, and private firms, counties connect residents, businesses and communities and strengthen local economies.

Under the leadership of NACo President Riki Hokama, NACo is strengthening the capacity of county leaders to deliver transportation and infrastructure services to their communities. The Transportation and Infrastructure Initiative addresses the county role in promoting investments that support economic competitiveness, improve passenger travel, foster creative partnerships, ensure safety and enhance community quality of life. This initiative focuses on the fundamentals of today's county transportation and infrastructure needs and explores the future of America's infrastructure advancements, including broadband expansion and technology innovations.

ACTIVITIES

Within the Transportation and Infrastructure Initiative, NACo convenes public- and private-sector stakeholders, produces special reports, develops webinars and podcasts, facilitates peer learning and hosts symposiums, workshops and roundtable events.



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TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE IN ACTION

Counties are innovating ways to align transportation and infrastructure investments with broader county goals. Through regional partnerships and cooperation with federal, state and other local governments, nonprofit organizations and private firms, counties are seeking new paths to address transportation funding shortfalls and best deliver infrastructure services to their communities.

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