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### **Accela joins NACo as an economic development sponsor and Premier Corporate Member to help counties engage citizens and businesses**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – The National Association of Counties (NACo) today announced that Accela, one of the nation's leading civic engagement solutions provider, has joined NACo as a new Premier Member and a Community and Economic Development Sponsor.

“We are pleased that Accela has become a Premier Corporate Member,” said Linda Langston, NACo President and Linn County, Iowa Supervisor. “In this capacity, Accela will continue to help strengthen counties by supporting NACo in its goal to provide county officials with the tools and solutions to make business easier, more accessible and efficient when engaging its citizens and private businesses.”

Accela provides the leading civic engagement platform, powering thousands of services and millions of transactions daily for large and small public agencies worldwide. Accela connects government to people and accelerates and streamlines land management, licensing, asset management, and public health and safety processes. The Accela Civic Platform includes both packaged and tailored solutions and cloud-based, office, mobile and social applications to support government agency, business and citizen needs.

“Accela is committed to helping government agencies improve key civic processes while making it easier for citizens and businesses to engage with agencies where they live and work,” said Maury Blackman, Accela President and CEO. “We’re proud to work alongside NACo to further its mission while helping agencies and citizens use technology to build better communities.”

To help counties implement innovative and effective local programs, NACo provides members with information, trainings and assistance to engage counties and their multi-sector partners who are bound by a common interest in growing stronger, more competitive counties and communities. The Community and Economic Development practice area at NACo supports county leaders seeking to develop and implement creative, innovative, locally driven strategies that will foster economic growth and ensure long-term county resiliency.

For more information about NACo’s Community and Economic Development practice area, visit the NACo website at [www.naco.org](http://www.naco.org) or contact Kathy Nothstine (202) 661-8807.

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*The [National Association of Counties](#) (NACo) is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States. Founded in 1935, NACo assists America’s 3,069 counties in pursuing excellence in public service to produce healthy, vibrant, safe and resilient counties. NACo promotes sound public policies, fosters county solutions and innovation, promotes intergovernmental and public-private collaboration and provides value-added services to save counties and taxpayers money. More information at: [www.naco.org](http://www.naco.org).*