America’s urban counties play a prominent role in 160 MILLION RESIDENTS’ LIVES every day. We foster conditions for economic strength, build and maintain transportation systems and critical infrastructure, promote community health and well-being, champion justice and public safety and implement a broad portfolio of federal, state and local programs.

The National Association of Counties (NACo) Large Urban County Caucus or “LUCC,” is the premier forum for urban county leaders and is the voice for America’s metropolitan counties before Congress and the Administration. Comprised of county executives, governing board members and other senior elected officials, LUCC members focus on urban challenges and solutions, engage in peer-to-peer information exchanges and inform national policy discussions.

Nearly HALF of all Americans call 133 urban counties home.

Urban counties employ 1.9 MILLION full time employees, half of the nation’s county workforce.

Large counties invest $395 BILLION in annual operations.
A BIPARTISAN CAUCUS, LUCC meets in conjunction with the NACo Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. each winter and at the NACo Annual Conference in July. Its annual Symposium, held in the fall, is emerging as the must-attend event for LUCC members to engage with federal policymakers, influencers and innovators from world-class philanthropic organizations, think tanks, academic institutions and businesses to foster creative and new public/private collaborations and partnerships.

LUCC advocates for NACo policies with significant impact on urban counties, including transportation, health care, housing, workforce and criminal justice reform.

Officials from NACO MEMBER COUNTIES WITH A POPULATION OVER 500,000 are eligible to participate in LUCC. LUCC is led by a steering committee with a chair and vice chair, all appointed by the NACo president on an annual basis.

For more information about the Large Urban County Caucus, visit www.naco.org/lucc or contact NACo Chief Strategy Officer Danny Melgoza at dmelgoza@naco.org or 202.942.4205.

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