



2023 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION | JULY 21-24

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COUNTY**
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Enacting Policies and Service Delivery that Benefit All

Monday, July 24, 3:00 PM – 5:00PM | Location: Room 11, Level 4

Session Description

County leaders can help improve the trajectory for everyone in our communities by making equitable decisions in policy and service delivery. Learn about the unique opportunities open to each of us, regardless of our function in county government, and how we can leverage resources to ensure equity is central to our governance.

Meeting Agenda

3:00pm Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Ophelia Bitanga-Isreal, Sr. Program Manager, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, National Association of Counties
- Hon. Denise Winfrey, President, National Association of Counties and Board Member, Will County, Ill.

3:15pm A Balancing Act: The Work of DEI in a Politically Charged Climate

- Brion Oaks, Vice President of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Operations, Charles Butt Foundation

3:45pm Our Challenges, Opportunities, and Successes – A Panel Discussion

- Facilitation by Noralisa Leo, Executive Director, Representative Democracy
- *Challenges for Elected Officials: Securing the trust of the community in a volatile political climate.* Commissioner Sarah Lopez, Sedgewick County, Kans.
- *Needs of County Administrators: Presentation of fact-based information using available data.* Steve Mokrohisky, County Administrator, Lane County, Oreg.
- *Opportunities for DEI Practitioners: Coordinate service delivery with a shared framework.* Dr. D'Artagnan Scorza, Los Angeles County, Calif.

4:40pm What Will it Take? Reflections and Closing Remarks

- Ophelia Bitanga-Isreal, Sr. Program Manager, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, National Association of Counties

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