



Nevada Association of Counties 2026 Annual Conference

Draft Schedule of Events (September 22-24, 2026)

Tuesday, September 22

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	NACHSA Annual Meeting
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	<u>Dementia Friend Training</u>
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<u>Dementia Champion Training</u> (Dementia Friends Certificate Required)
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.	Concurrent Educational Sessions <i>Session 1 – Economic Development That Delivers: Tools Available to Counties to Negotiate with Industry</i> <i>Session 2 – The County Role in Indigent Services: Funding, Policy, and Practice</i>
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	NACO Board of Directors and Annual Membership Meeting
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Presidents Reception

Wednesday, September 23

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	County Manager Breakfast – By Invitation Only
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Concurrent Educational Sessions <i>Session 1: When the Room Gets Loud: Good Governance, Decorum, and Managing Conflict in Public Meetings</i> <i>Session 2: Turning National Benefits into Local Impact presented by the National Association of Counties (NACo) EDGE</i>
9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Conference Wide Event <i>General Session</i> • Keynote Address: THE POWER OF STORIES: Leveraging Local History and Culture to Strengthen Civic Engagement, Tourism & Sense of Place - Alicia Barber, PhD – Stories in Place
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Conference Wide Event <i>Luncheon</i>
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Conference Wide Educational Session <i>One Nevada, Many Voices: Aligning County Priorities for Legislative Success</i>
4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	Concurrent Conference Educational Sessions <i>Session 1: The Local Government Funding Playbook: Finding, Winning, and Managing Funding Opportunities</i> <i>Session 2: Destination Nevada: Driving Local Economies Through Tourism and Recreation</i>
6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Conference Wide Event <i>Annual Awards Banquet</i>

Thursday, September 24

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Conference Wide Event
Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Conference Wide Event
Closing Educational Session –
Plugged In, Tapped Out? Economic Opportunity and Resource
Considerations in Data Centers

NACO Annual Conference Ends

Post-Conference Event Opportunity – 1 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

[*Community Benefit Agreement Workshop*](#) – co-sponsored by the Nevada Association of Counties and the Nevada Water Resources Association at the Desert Research Institute, Reno Campus (more information available soon).

Post-Conference Tour – 1:00 p.m.

[*Experience the Carson Valley*](#) – Tour the nearly complete and state of the art new Douglas County Justice facility. Followed by a tour of the Minden Mill Distillery.