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2024

MIDWINTER LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

Welcome to Boise! It is an honor and privilege to officially welcome you to the 2024 IAC Midwinter Legislative Conference. We have put together a strong agenda and I'm confident that no matter which sessions you attend, you'll gain valuable knowledge to bring back to your communities. All of our committees are open to attendees, so feel free to attend any of interest to you. If committees aren't your thing, we have 18 workshops to choose from! Many of our workshops are eligible for IAC County Officials Institute credit, helping you get closer to achieving your own certification.

Perhaps the most noticeable change to this year's conference is the venue. For the first time, the Midwinter Legislative Conference is being held just blocks away from the Statehouse at the Boise Centre. This brings county officials to the doorsteps of the Capitol, making it even easier to tour the building, meet with your legislators, and attend legislative committee meetings and floor sessions.

You also won't want to miss our general sessions featuring a keynote address from Governor Little, remarks from the Senate President Pro Tem Chuck Winder and Speaker of the House Mike Moyle, updates on current legislative issues, a humorous and relatable keynote from Larry Weaver focusing on the importance of maintaining a positive outlook, and more. Most importantly, make your presence felt at IAC's annual legislative reception on Wednesday evening. The legislative reception is always the highlight of the conference. Reach out to your legislators and make sure to connect with them at the reception.

Lastly, remember that you are the key to a successful conference. IAC's events would not happen without you! We appreciate your attendance at the conference and your active participation in the various committee meetings, workshops, and general sessions, not to mention the many informal networking opportunities that happen organically throughout the week.

If you need anything or have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to me, an IAC staff member, or an IAC Board member. Enjoy the conference!



Vic Pearson
IAC President
Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney



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MONDAY *January 29, 2024*

Registration is open from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm in the Boise Centre West Lobby.

Exhibits are open from 12:00 pm - 5:30 pm in 100 A.

8:30 AM - 2:15 PM

COURTS & CLERKS MEETING

420 AB

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

IAC MENTORING PROGRAM LUNCH

410 A

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

140

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

CAN YOU PLEASE CALM DOWN - TIPS FOR MANAGING CHALLENGING PEOPLE (1.0 COI)

110 AB

Presenter: Ashley Nichols, Director, Conflict Management Programs, BSU

Do you deal with angry/cranky people in your work or personal life? This workshop will provide you with skills that support dealing with the "those" people in your life.

SERVING WITH PURPOSE: IAC PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (1.0 COI)

110 CD

Presenters: Amanda Steinmetz, IAC and Kelli Brassfield, IAC

This engaging session invites you to explore and discuss what IAC has to offer with both our dedicated team and the partners supporting our products and services.

U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION - A NATIONAL AND LOCAL OVERVIEW

410 BC

Presenters: Michael S. Thompson; Rachel J. Rud-Scaraglino; Jesse Babay; and Kelly "Shane" McLaughlin

The United States Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) Air and Marine Operations, Office of Field Operations, and U.S. Border Patrol will provide a deep dive into their operations and how they can assist you and the community you serve.

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TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

400 AB

4:00 PM - 4:15 PM

BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

100 A

4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

FEDERAL AND STATE TRANSPORTATION GRANTS - HOW TO FIND THEM AND SUBMIT COMPETITIVE APPLICATIONS

110 AB

Presenters: Laila Kral, LHTAC & Ken Kanownik, LHTAC

This workshop will inform participants on how to browse available grant opportunities, stay informed on opportunities and get a briefing on the technical assistance services provided by LHTAC for grant applications.

EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE REVIEWS (1.0 COI)

110 CD

Presenter: Tammy Middleton, HR Risk Manager, ICRMP

In this workshop, Tammy will discuss the pros and cons of employee performance reviews. Participants will gain a better understanding of bias and how to avoid it. The workshop will also cover effective communication, best practices, and accountability strategies.

SUSTAINABILITY OF THE PERSI TRUST FUND

410 BC

Presenter: Mike Hampton, Deputy Director, PERSI

This workshop will provide a fiscal update of the fund and the current status of the fund, including a new Executive Director and potential legislation that could impact the fund. Deputy Director Hampton will also include information on rehiring retired law enforcement.

4:15 PM - 5:30 PM

PUBLIC LANDS COMMITTEE MEETING

400 AB

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6:30 AM - 8:00 AM

DISTRICT 2 BREAKFAST MEETING

410 A

6:30 AM - 8:00 AM

DISTRICT 5 BREAKFAST MEETING

420 B

7:30 AM - 8:00 AM

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WITH EXHIBITORS

100 A

Sponsored by:  **NEXTERA**
ENERGY
RESOURCES

8:00 AM - 9:15 AM

JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

400 AB

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

CREATE, MANAGE, & EXECUTE YOUR COUNTY'S STRATEGIC PLAN (1.0 COI)

110 AB

Presenter: Andrew Roth, Solutions Advisor, ClearGov

Whether you have a strategic plan in place or your county is looking to create one, join this session to learn how to create strategic plans that actually work. Learn five keys to creating, managing, and executing a plan using modern frameworks, techniques, and tools.

CYBER BREACH RESPONSE: A HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE THROUGH TABLETOP EXERCISES

110 CD

Presenter: Sara Hoyt, Cyber Defense Center Director, CWI

This engaging session is designed to provide participants with a firsthand understanding of the complexities involved in responding to cyber breaches. Don't miss this opportunity to not just acquire knowledge but to personally encounter the realities of responding to cyber breaches.

THE POWER OF THE STATE'S ICDBG PROGRAM

410 BC

Presenter: Jeff McCurdy, President, Region IV Development Association

The Idaho Community Development Block Grant program is a valuable resource that has helped local officials accomplish community-based projects across the State of Idaho. Come learn about this program and how it can benefit your county.

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9:00 AM - 9:30 AM

BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

100 A

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9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

GENERAL SESSION

100 B

— **OPENING CEREMONIES**

— **WELCOME FROM GOVERNOR LITTLE**

— **LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING**

Presenters: Seth Grigg, IAC Executive Director; Sara Westbrook, IAC Director of Government Affairs; & Kelli Brassfield, IAC Policy Advisor

— **PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE CHUCK WINDER**

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

100 A

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

ICRMP LUNCH

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1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

400 AB

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

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ACTIVE THREAT AWARENESS AND PREPAREDNESS

110 CD

Presenter: Shawn Harper, Lieutenant, City of Meridian

This workshop will focus on providing community members a better understanding of active threat attackers, mental preparation, how to prepare for and respond to an active threat event and the steps to take to assist law enforcement and to limit casualties.

TRAFFIC STUDIES 101: ESSENTIALS FOR EFFECTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

410 BC

Presenter: Donn Carnahan, Project Manager, Keller Associates

Join us in this workshop as we delve into the intricacies of what triggers traffic studies at the county level and the corresponding prerequisites for a successful analysis. Explore diverse factors, from urban expansion to policy shifts, gaining the essential knowledge to navigate the complexities of effective transportation planning.

2:30 PM - 2:45 PM

BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

100 A

2:45 PM - 3:45 PM

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

ADVANCING HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IN IDAHO COUNTIES: LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE NACo HOUSING TASK FORCE

110 AB

Presenters: Kevin Shrawder, NACo; Sherry Maupin, Valley County; and Rod Beck, Ada County

Is there a one-size-fits-all solution for ensuring housing affordability at the local level? Last year, the National Association of Counties convened a Housing Task Force to answer this question. In this session, learn the results of a year of research, resulting in a comprehensive policy guide outlining the myriad best practices you can use to ensure affordability, including recommendations on land use, regulations, partnerships, finance, and more.

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2:45 PM - 3:45 PM

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

— THE SECRET SAUCE OF HEALTHY TEAMS (1.0 COI)

110 CD

Presenter: Dr. Jeremy Graves, Director of Professional Education, BSU

Are you ready to unlock the secrets of a thriving workplace culture? In this conversation we will delve into workplace culture's essence, its definition, various types, and the critical elements that shape it. Through interactive exercises, you will gain valuable insights into the profound impact of culture on employee engagement, satisfaction, and productivity.

— ADDRESSING THE FENTANYL CRISIS

410 BC

Presenter: Joshua D. Hurwit, U.S. Attorney

In the past two years, Idaho has seen an increase in fentanyl distribution, use, and overdoses. This workshop will give an overview of the impact of fentanyl on our communities and the efforts of the United States Attorney's Office to address the crisis through partnerships with community stakeholders and law enforcement at all levels.

— CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING FOR CANDIDATES

410 A

Presenter: Sheryl Millard, Campaign Finance Manager, ISOS

Learn about the Idaho Secretary of State's new Sunshine Campaign Finance Portal and how to register, bring in a previous balance, add transactions, and file reports.

3:45 PM - 4:00 PM

BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS

100 A

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

GENERAL SESSION

100 B

— SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE MIKE MOYLE

— LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING, CONTINUED

Presenters: Seth Grigg, IAC Executive Director; Sara Westbrook, IAC Director of Government Affairs; & Kelli Brassfield, IAC Policy Advisor

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8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

IAC AT THE CAPITOL

State Capitol Building

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

110 AB

Presenters: Megan Kautz, LHTAC and Ken Kanownik, LHTAC

This workshop will summarize the federal and state authorizing legislation applicable to transportation planning, provide practical applications for counties and inform participants of funding opportunities for future planning pursuits.

PROTECTING PUBLIC FUNDS (1.0 COI)

110 CD

Presenter: Melissa Schug, Manager of Cash Management, Idaho First Bank

Protecting public funds is a large responsibility. Join Melissa Schug as she takes you through the risks, challenges, and solutions to keep public funds safe, and in the communities with the constituents you serve.

11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

HOUSE AND SENATE FLOOR SESSIONS

State Capitol Building

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

GEMPLAN LUNCH

100 CDE

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20 Years!!*

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

100 B

REFRESH. RENEW. REFOCUS. BE YOUR BEST EVERY DAY!

Presenter: Larry Weaver

In this presentation, Larry uses humor and relatable stories to highlight the importance of maintaining a positive outlook. By improving our health, surrounding ourselves with positive people, expressing gratitude, and finding humor in life, we can become more positive and successful both personally and professionally.

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3:00 PM - 3:30 PM

EXHIBITOR DOOR PRIZES

100 A

3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

— LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRS

110 AB

— CREATIVE WAYS TO RETAIN EMPLOYEES

110 CD

— HOUSING

410 BC

— UPDATE ON FEDERAL ISSUES

410 A

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION

Boise Centre West: Main Lobby and 130

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

DISTRICT 4 PIE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

420 A

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

DISTRICT 6 PIE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

420 B

THURSDAY *February 1, 2024*

IAC's Information Desk is open from 7:30 am - 11:00 am in the Lobby.

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY ASSESSORS (IACA) MEETING

420 A

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY RECORDERS AND CLERKS (IACRC) MEETING

110 A

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

410 BC

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

IDAHO STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY CORONERS (ISACC) CONFERENCE

Riverside Hotel | Ponderosa/Tamarack

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

IDAHO SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION (ISA) MEETING

410 A

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY TREASURERS (IACT) CONFERENCE

110 B

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

IDAHO ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE ADMINISTRATORS (IACJJA)

IACJJA & IACMPAA JOINT LUNCH

110 C

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

IT LEADERS MEETING

110 D

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

IAC MISDEMEANOR PROBATION ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION (IACMPAA)

110 C

COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

Monday, January 29 | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM | 400 AB

3:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER | *Chair Todd Smith, Madison County Commissioner*

3:05 PM

TRANSPORTATION PARTNERING, ITD UPDATE | *Scott Stokes, Director, ITD*

3:35 PM

UPDATE ON WATER ISSUES, LEGISLATIVE PREVIEW | *Paul Arrington, Executive Director, Idaho Water Users Association*

PUBLIC LANDS

Monday, January 29 | 4:15 PM - 5:30 PM | 400 AB

4:15 PM

CALL TO ORDER | *Chair Sherry Maupin, Valley County Commissioner*

4:20 PM

THE INTRINSIC VALUE OF COLLABORATIVES | *Irene Jerome, American Forest Resource Council*

4:40 PM

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN | *Jim Desmond, Owyhee County Natural Resource Director*

5:00 PM

NACo PUBLIC LANDS INSTITUTE | *Jonathan Shuffield, NACo*

5:15 PM

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE/OPEN DISCUSSION

JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

Tuesday, January 30 | 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM | 400 AB

8:00 AM

CALL TO ORDER | *Chair Matt Clifford, Ada County Sheriff*

8:05 AM

TREATMENT COURT UPDATE | *Scott Ronan, Director of Justice Services, ISC*

8:15 AM

POST COUNCIL UPDATE | *Brad Johnson, POST Administrator*

8:35 AM

SENATOR LAKEY AND REPRESENTATIVE SKAUG

8:55 AM

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE | *Seth Grigg, IAC; Kelli D. Brassfield, IAC*

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Tuesday, January 30 | 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM | 400 AB

1:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER | *Chair Jeff Hough, Bannock County Commissioner*

1:35 PM

HIDDEN HEROES CITIES & COUNTIES PROGRAM | *Michele Chadwick & Janice, Beller, Daughters of the American Revolution*

2:05 PM

GOVERNOR LITTLE'S PRIORITIES FOR THE SESSION | *Lori Wolff, Director of Operations & Hayden Christensen, Governor's Office*

2:20 PM

2024 IAC LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES UPDATE | *Don Hall, Twin Falls County Commissioner & IAC Legislative Committee Chair*

2:30 PM

LEGISLATIVE PANEL | *Moderator: Representative Jon Weber, Kenny Wroten, Ned Burns & Senators Jim Guthrie, Tregg Bernt, James Ruchti*

3:20 PM

OPEN DISCUSSION | *Chair Jeff Hough, Bannock County Commissioner*



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