

CCAP UPDATE

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2025 Fall Conference
November 23-25, 2025
The Hotel Hershey

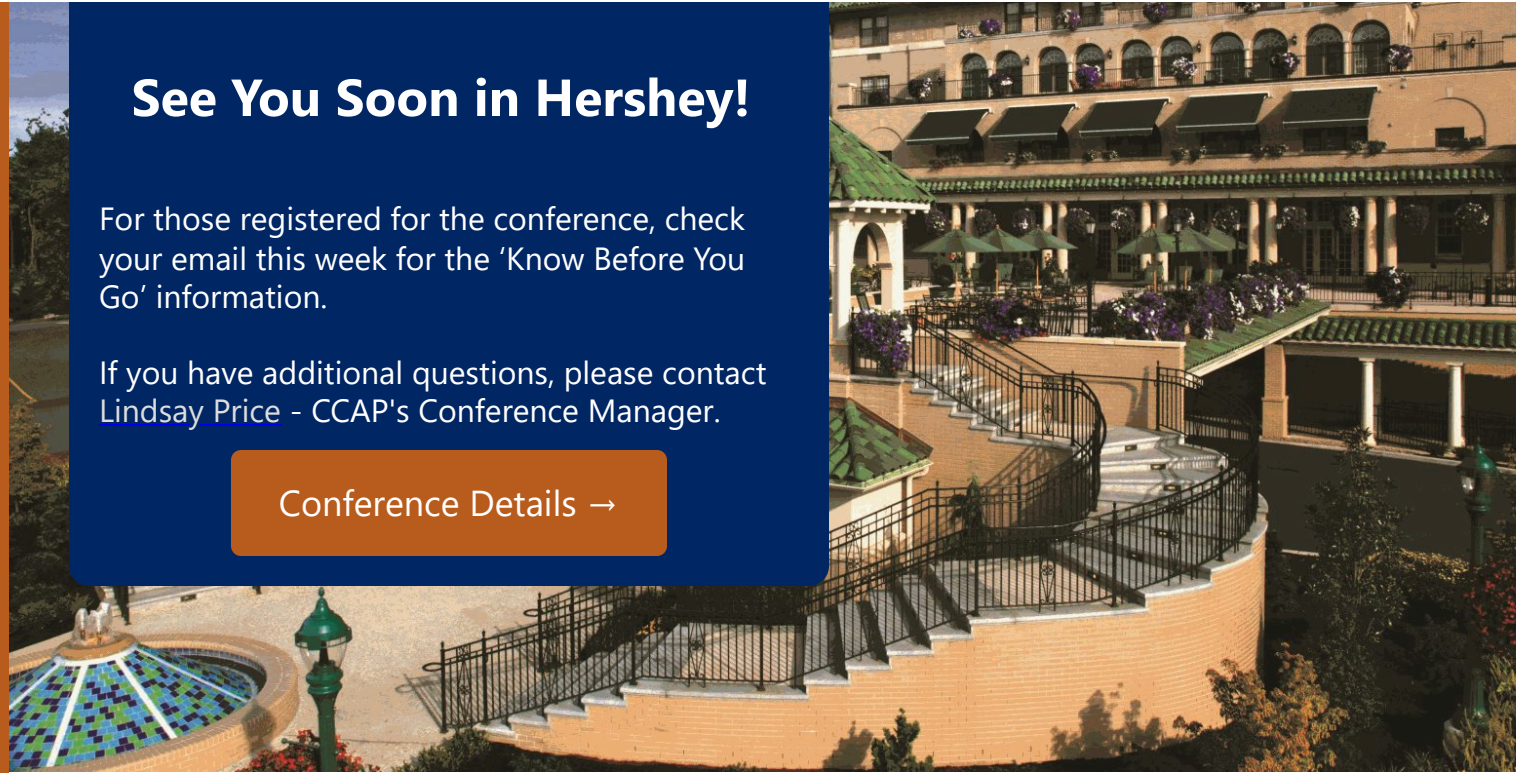


See You Soon in Hershey!

For those registered for the conference, check your email this week for the 'Know Before You Go' information.

If you have additional questions, please contact [Lindsay Price](#) - CCAP's Conference Manager.

[Conference Details →](#)



Join the 2026 Class of the Center for Excellence in County Leadership

The Center for Excellence in County Leadership (CEL) invites you to be part of its next class in 2026. The CEL is designed to accelerate your personal and professional growth through interactive, immersive training that strengthens your communication, decision-making, and leadership abilities.

As a CEL participant, you'll engage in challenging, hands-on workshops exploring leadership styles, managerial versatility, interpersonal dynamics, crisis communication, media management, day-to-day problem-solving, and more.



If you're ready to elevate your leadership impact and connect with peers from across the Commonwealth, this is your opportunity—join us in shaping the next generation of county leaders.

The CEL program will take place **June 3-5, 2026**, in Harrisburg, PA.

CEL Program →

State Leaders Honor Commissioner Brian Smith



Wayne County Commissioner Brian Smith was recently honored by Senators Lisa Baker and Rosemary Brown with a citation recognizing his selection as CCAP's Commissioner of the Year.

This annual award is presented to a commissioner who demonstrates exceptional dedication to their county and makes significant contributions to the association.

Commissioner Smith serves on the CCAP Board of Directors, chairs the Agriculture Committee, and represents District 7.

His leadership has been instrumental in advancing CCAP's mission, shaping key policies, and strengthening the association's impact on counties across the Commonwealth.

PA Ethics Committee Provides SFI for Public Records

The Pennsylvania State Ethics Commission has provided an informative flier on the Statement of Financial Interests (SFI) are Public Records. The Commission makes SFI's publicly available at www.ethics.pa.gov. The flier can be accessed via the link below.

SFI's are Public Records flier →

Opioid Solutions Leadership Network (OSLN) Meets in DC

The Opioid Solutions Leadership Network (OSLN) was launched in 2022 to bring together county leaders-such as Butler County Commissioner Kevin Boozel-to strengthen strategies for addressing the opioid crisis.

In 2025, the network expanded its reach by inviting state associations, including the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP), to participate as ambassadors.

CCAP joined eight other states in a collaborative effort to advance the effective use of opioid settlement funds. As part of this work, CCAP's Human Services and Criminal Justice Policy Director, Melanie Gordon, participated in an in-person summit held in Washington, DC on November 6.

This summit capped a yearlong initiative aimed at improving support for Counties and state-local coordination with these time-limited resources.



Upcoming NACo Webinars

November 20 | 2 p.m. EST - Tackling the Child Care Workforce Crisis: A County Led Solution

December 2 | 2 p.m. EST - Transforming County Services in the Era of AI: Real-World Uses for Elections and Beyond

December 4 | 2 p.m. EST - What to Expect from the Current Supreme Court Term: Cases Impacting Local Government

December 11 | 2 p.m. EST - Inside Washington: County Impacts from the White House & Congress



Industrial Development Forum

March 11, 2026

State College, PA

Focus Central PA will host its 2026 Industrial Development Forum on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at the Nittany Lion Inn, State College, PA.

Celebrate industrial investment and innovation in Pennsylvania. Hear leading experts discuss how AI is shaping smart industrial growth, learn how the Commonwealth is driving business competitiveness, and gain firsthand insight from senior industry leaders making game-changing investments in Central Pennsylvania.

Connect with resource partners and exhibitors to network, collaborate, and help advance smart industrial growth across the state.

[More Information for IDF 2026 →](#)

CCAP and PA County Career Opportunities

You'll find CCAP and county government career opportunities at the PA County Job Center.

Is a career opportunity available in your county? Submit a request to have your listing on CCAP's PA County Job Center.

[PA County Job Center →](#)

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