

THE GROUPS REPORTSM

November/December 2018

THE COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE TO THE GROUPS' PROGRAMS, PRIORITIES AND CONFERENCES



The Council of State Governments will hold its National Conference in Covington, Kentucky. This is CSG's largest meeting of the calendar year. It's Shared State Legislation (SSL) Committee will convene during this event. Learn more on page 3.

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AMERICAN LEGISLATIVE EXCHANGE COUNCIL (ALEC)

States & Nation Policy Summit |
November 28-30
Washington, D.C.

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The **States & Nation Policy Summit** will begin with a State Chairs Breakfast meeting November 28. Subcommittee meetings will take place throughout the day. The Rural Caucus will also meet November 28. The day will conclude

with the Chairman's Reception for ALEC members only.

The following Task Forces will convene November 29:

- ◆ Task Force on Civil Justice
- ◆ Task Force on Commerce, Insurance and Economic Development
- ◆ Task Force on Communications and Technology
- ◆ Task Force on Education and Workforce Development
- ◆ Task Force on Federalism and International Relations

**GROUPS PRACTICE:
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On behalf of clients, **Stephanie Reich** and **Meghan Holihan** will attend CSG's National Conference December 6-8. **Robert Holden** will attend NCOIL's Annual Meeting December 5-8. **Michael Behm** will attend NCSL's Capitol Forum December 5-8. **Steve Arthur** will attend RAGA's Fall National Meeting November 10-13 and RGA's Annual Conference November 28-29.

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- ◆ Task Force on Federalism and International Relations

The following Task Forces will convene November 30:

- ◆ Task Force on Criminal Justice
- ◆ Task Force on Energy, Environment and Agriculture
- ◆ Task Force on Homeland Security
- ◆ Task Force on Health and Human Services
- ◆ Task Force on Tax and Fiscal Policy

Policy workshops will take place throughout the meeting and are being finalized. The States & Nation Policy Summit is designed to introduce new members to ALEC and primarily focuses on state-federal issues.

More information will become available at:

<https://www.alec.org/meeting/2018-states-nation-policy-summit-washington-d-c/>

AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION (APHA)

Annual Meeting & Expo | November 10-14

San Diego, California

Stateside Contact: Kelsey Lovell at kal@stateside.com

The **Annual Meeting & Expo** will feature more than 100 sessions and over 12,000 attendees.

Sessions planned for November 11 include:

- ◆ Spotlight on California: Public Health, Social Justice, and Proposition 64--the California Marijuana Legalization Initiative
- ◆ Innovative Tobacco and Cannabis Policies
- ◆ Other Drugs of Abuse: Prevention, Epidemiological, and International Concerns
- ◆ Smoking and Tobacco Control on Campus: Making the Grade
- ◆ Racial Disparities in Cancer Prevention and Control
- ◆ The Impact of Work on Injury, Disease, and Workers' Compensation
- ◆ Spotlight on Tobacco in California: Facilitating A Blueprint for Change
- ◆ Alzheimer's Disease, Dementia, and Cognition: Associated Factors

- ◆ Smoking out the Problem: Ongoing Public Health Research and Initiatives to Address Tobacco Use
- ◆ Current trends and Research in Electronic Smoking Devices/E-Cigarettes
- ◆ Opioid Issues

Sessions planned for November 12 include:

- ◆ Healthy Communities for Healthy Aging: Food is Medicine
- ◆ Rural Health and Aging
- ◆ Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing: Science, Policy, and Implications
- ◆ The New Congress and the Implications for Public Health
- ◆ Epidemiology of Opioid Use
- ◆ Physician Compensation Models, Opportunities for Hospital Cost Savings and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis to Inform Decision Making
- ◆ Rethinking Prescribing Drug Models
- ◆ Opioid Use and Pharmacy: Where Do We Make a Difference?
- ◆ Promoting the Health of Women in Prisons and Jails
- ◆ Drug Abuse Trends: What's Old is New
- ◆ Driving Global Climate Change Action to Protect Health: Health Sector Leadership, Organizing and Engagement
- ◆ Taxing Sugary Drinks: Emerging Evidence on Impacts on Price and Consumption
- ◆ What We Have and What We Need: Laws to Address Firearm Violence and Injury
- ◆ Achieving Health Equity Now: Innovative Food and Nutrition Models from Across the Country

Sessions planned for November 13 include:

- ◆ Harm Reduction Through Syringe Exchange Programs
- ◆ Drinking Water and Lead Service Lines: Partnering to Protect Public Health
- ◆ Expanding Capacity to Deliver Care in Rural Communities
- ◆ Public Health Nursing Initiatives to Address Climate Change
- ◆ Mapping Mortality: Critical Issues in Opioid Overdose Surveillance
- ◆ The Good, The Bad, and The Healthy: Understanding the Impact of Food and Beverage Marketing
- ◆ Menthol and Candy Flavored Tobacco Products
- ◆ Addressing Tobacco Use at the Point of Sale
- ◆ Innovative Policy Approaches to the Opioid Epidemic
- ◆ Air Pollution, Emissions, and a Changing Climate

Sessions planned for November 14 include:

- ◆ Epidemiology of Stress
- ◆ An Agricultural Focus: Examining Ways Climate Change, Food Waste, and Food Safety Issues Impact Food Systems
- ◆ Chronic Disease Prevention, Screening, Treatment
- ◆ Impact of Fentanyl on Opioid Overdoses
- ◆ Tobacco Regulatory Action: Plans, Policies, and Politics
- ◆ Diabetes Screening and Prevention Methods

More information is available at:

<https://apha.confex.com/apha/2018/meetingapp.cgi/Home/0>

THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS (CSG)

National Conference | December 5-8

Covington, Kentucky

Stateside Contact: Stephanie Reich at sr@stateside.com

The **National Conference** will begin with two day-long CSG Policy Academies entitled Promising Approaches for America's Addiction Crisis and States Place Their Bets on December 5. The 21st Century Foundation will also meet in the afternoon.

Two day-long CSG Policy Academies entitled Using Science to Inform State Policymaking and The Intersection of Innovation and Infrastructure are scheduled for December 6. The Shared State Legislation (SSL) Committee will hold its first meeting the afternoon of December 6 to consider legislation to include in the 2020 Shared State Legislation Volume.

The following sessions will take place December 7:

- ◆ The Future of Electrification: Impact on Grid Infrastructure
- ◆ Growing Green: Marijuana Policy Impacts on State Budgets
- ◆ NCIC Summit of the States: A Tested Solution to Today's Policy Issues
- ◆ Working Families and the Struggle to Find Early Care and Education
- ◆ State Impacts of the Tax Cuts and Job Acts of 2017
- ◆ NCIC Summit of the States: How State Collaboration Can Strengthen the Workforce
- ◆ NCIC Summit of the States: Over Here – States Work Together to Increase Opportunities for Military Families and Members
- ◆ Leading the Way in the Logistics Economy

- ◆ CSG Election Cybersecurity Communications Mapping Initiative
- ◆ Opioid Crisis: How States Have Financed Treatment
- ◆ NCIC Summit of the States: The Nuts and Bolts – Administering Interstate Occupational Licensure Compacts
- ◆ NCIC Summit of the States: Legal Roundtable – The Year in Interstate Compact Law

The Shared State Legislation (SSL) Committee will hold its last meeting the morning of December 8. The CSG Executive Committee will also convene December 8. The docket has not yet been released as of this publication.

More information is available at:

<https://www.csg.org/2018nationalconference/Agenda18.aspx>

DEMOCRATIC GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION (DGA)

Annual Meeting & Holiday Party | November 30-December 1

New Orleans, Louisiana

Stateside Contact: Johnathan Lozier at jbl@stateside.com

The **Annual Meeting & Holiday Party** will begin with an opening reception on November 30. Policy sessions will take place throughout the day on December 1. The remainder of the schedule features social programming.

DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE (DLCC)

Emerging Leaders Forum | December 4-5

Washington, D.C.

Stateside Contact: Johnathan Lozier at jbl@stateside.com

The **Emerging Leaders Forum** will begin with a legislators-only political briefing on December 4. A welcome reception featuring U.S. Senator Cory Booker (D-NJ) has been scheduled for December 4.

Private one-on-one meetings with attending legislators and specific membership levels will take place December 5. Policy sessions are being planned for the remainder of the day.

The DLCC is expecting at least 16 legislators from 12 states to attend the Forum.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ATTORNEYS GENERAL (NAAG)

Fall Meeting | November 28-29

Charleston, South Carolina

Stateside Contact: Steve Arthur at sca@stateside.com

The **Fall Meeting** is open to attorneys general and staff only. New attorneys general orientation is scheduled for November 27. The following topics are expected to be discussed at the meeting:

- ◆ Emergency and Crisis Management
- ◆ Disaster Fraud
- ◆ Opioids
- ◆ Cryptocurrency
- ◆ Free Speech
- ◆ Veterans' Issues

The Conference of Western Attorneys General (CWAG) is hosting its Winter Dinner November 27. This is the only formal opportunity for the private sector to join attorneys general during this meeting.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS (NAIC)

Fall National Meeting | November 15-18

San Francisco, California

Stateside Contact: Kelsey Lovell at kal@stateside.com

The **Fall National Meeting** will begin with pre-meetings of the following Task Forces, Working Groups, and Committees will take place November 14:

- ◆ Life Actuarial Task Force
- ◆ Financial Analysis Working Group
- ◆ Valuation Analysis Working Group
- ◆ Statutory Accounting Principles Working Group
- ◆ Health Actuarial Task Force

The following Task Forces, Working Groups, and Committees will meet November 15:

- ◆ Big Data Working Group
- ◆ Group Capital Calculation Working Group
- ◆ ERISA Working Group
- ◆ Regulatory Framework Task Force
- ◆ Financial Regulation Standards and Accreditation Committee

- ◆ Cannabis Insurance Working Group
- ◆ Producer Licensing Task Force

The following Task Forces, Working Groups, and Committees will meet November 16:

- ◆ Antifraud Task Force
- ◆ Health Insurance and Managed Care Committee
- ◆ Receivership and Insolvency Task Force
- ◆ Title Insurance Task Force
- ◆ Life Insurance and Annuities Committee

The following Task Forces, Working Groups, and Committees will meet November 17:

- ◆ Reinsurance Task Force
- ◆ Workers' Compensation Task Force
- ◆ Market Regulation and Consumer Affairs Committee
- ◆ Financial Condition Committee
- ◆ Property and Casualty Insurance Committee

The NAIC Center for Insurance Policy and Research (CIPR) will hold a session November 17 entitled Rising Health Care Costs, Key Drivers and Potential Solutions.

The Joint Meeting of the Executive Committee and Plenary will take place November 18. New officers will also be elected on November 18.

Task Force, Committee, and Working Group meeting previews are available at:

https://www.naic.org/meetings1811/meeting_preview.pdf

More information is available at:

https://www.naic.org/meetings1811/sortable_agenda.htm

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAID DIRECTORS (NAMD)

Fall Conference | November 12-14

Washington, D.C.

Stateside Contact: Kelsey Lovell at kal@stateside.com

The **Fall Conference** will begin with an all-day closed meeting for Medicaid Directors on November 12.

A plenary session entitled The Administration's Vision for HHS, CMS, and Medicaid has been scheduled for November 13 and will feature U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar.

The following sessions have been planned for November 13:

- ◆ Better Understanding The Increase In Deaths of Despair: Opportunities in State Policy
- ◆ Evolving Medicaid Systems: Next Steps for TMSIS and Modularity
- ◆ Strengthening Partnerships with Medicaid Directors
- ◆ Medicaid and Tribal Populations: Partnerships and Innovations
- ◆ Beneficiaries Helping to Improve the Medicaid Program
- ◆ MCO Contracting Strategies for Children in The Child Welfare System
- ◆ Collaborative Approaches to Treating Substance Use Disorders for Pregnant Women and Newborns
- ◆ Opening the Black Box: Enhancing Transparency in the Medicaid Pharmacy Benefit
- ◆ State and Federal Innovations to Identify and Address Program Integrity

The following sessions have been planned for November 14:

- ◆ The Health of Housing: State and Community-based Approaches
- ◆ The State of Medicaid Quality Measurement
- ◆ Sending Individuals with Disabilities: Past, Present, and Future
- ◆ Duals Integration Across the System
- ◆ Medicaid and Health Care Post-Midterm Elections

More information is available at:

<http://events.medicaiddirectors.org/agenda/>

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGULATORY UTILITY COMMISSIONERS (NARUC)

Annual Meeting | November 11-14

Orlando, Florida

Stateside Contact: John Howell at jh@stateside.com

The **Annual Meeting** will cover a range of issues across the energy, telecommunications, water, and cybersecurity sectors. It will begin with pre-conference meetings of the Subcommittee on Education and Research and the Staff Subcommittee on Telecommunications November 10.

The following committees are scheduled to meet November 11:

- ◆ Subcommittee on Supplier and Workforce Diversity
- ◆ Staff Subcommittee on Information Services

- ◆ Staff Subcommittee on Rate Design
- ◆ Staff Subcommittee on Energy Resources and the Environment
- ◆ Staff Subcommittee on Water
- ◆ Staff Subcommittee on Electric Reliability
- ◆ Committee on Consumers and the Public Interest
- ◆ Staff Subcommittee on Gas

A General Session entitled Powered Together – Tapping the Water/Energy Nexus will take place November 12. The following committees are scheduled to meet November 12:

- ◆ Staff Subcommittee on Information Services
- ◆ Committee on Electricity
- ◆ Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment
- ◆ Committee on Gas
- ◆ Committee on Telecommunications
- ◆ Committee on Water

A General Session entitled Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies: Sectors Intertwined will take place November 13. The NARUC Board of Directors is also scheduled to meet November 13.

The following sessions have been tentatively scheduled for November 14:

- ◆ Know Your State's Confidential Security Requirements and the Ethical Considerations of Practicing in Different Jurisdictions
- ◆ Solar Energy Innovation Network Stakeholder Workshop: How Can Distributed Energy Resources Advance System Resilience?

The closing General Session is entitled Clean Power Plan II – The Sequel: State Options and Anticipated Appeal and is scheduled for November 14.

More information is available at:

<https://www.naruc.org/annual-meeting/2018-annual-meeting/>

NATIONAL BLACK CAUCUS OF STATE LEGISLATORS (NBCSL)

Annual Legislative Conference | November 28-December 1

New York, New York

Stateside Contact: Meghan Holihan at msh@stateside.com

The **Annual Legislative Conference** will begin with ancillary Group meetings including the Corporate

Roundtable on November 28. The President's Reception will also take place that evening.

The following policy sessions are scheduled for November 29:

- ◆ Business and Economic Development - Black Wealth 20/20: Closing the Racial Wealth Divide
- ◆ Education - Achieving Equity for African American Students
- ◆ Health and Human Services - Addressing Social Determinants of Health to Reduce Health Disparities and Improve Health Outcomes
- ◆ Redistricting - The Census, and Redistricting: 2020 and Beyond
- ◆ Law, Justice, Ethics - Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Women
- ◆ Technology, Science, and Telecommunications - How Next-Generation Broadband Technology Can Help to Address the Digital Divide

NBCSL members will also hold a session on November 29 to discuss submitted policy resolutions.

A roundtable luncheon on Labor Workforce will take place November 30. NBCSL members will consider submitted policy resolutions and model legislation in the afternoon of November 30. The meeting will conclude with a Caucus Chairs/Retiring Legislators Reception.

More information is available at:

<https://nbcsl.org/conference/schedule.html>

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF INSURANCE LEGISLATORS (NCOIL)

Annual Meeting | December 5-8

Nashville, Tennessee

Stateside Contact: Robert Holden at rah@stateside.com

The Annual Meeting will begin with an IEC Board meeting on December 5. A welcome reception has been scheduled for the evening.

The following committees will convene December 6:

- ◆ Life Insurance & Financial Planning Committee
- ◆ Financial Services Committee
- ◆ Budget Committee

The following committees will convene December 7:

- ◆ Property & Casualty Insurance Committee
- ◆ Joint State-Federal Relations and International Insurance Issues Committee

- ◆ Articles of Organization & Bylaws Review Committee

The NCOIL-NAIC Dialogue has also been scheduled for December 7.

The following committees will convene December 8:

- ◆ Health, Long Term Care, and Health Retirement Issues Committee
- ◆ Workers' Compensation Insurance Committee
- ◆ Business Planning and Executive Committee

More information, including 30 Day Meeting Materials, will become available at:

<http://ncoil.org/register-now/>

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES (NCSL)

Capitol Forum | December 5-8

Washington, D.C.

Stateside Contact: Michael Behm at mjb@stateside.com

The **Capitol Forum** will begin with a Fiscal Leaders Seminar on December 4. The Smart Communities Foundation Partnership will hold a pre-conference December 4. The following Task Forces will also convene:

- ◆ Task Force on Military and Veterans Affairs
- ◆ Task Force on Immigration and the States

The Steering Committee will convene December 5. Attending legislators will participate in Lobby Day on Capitol Hill in the afternoon.

The following Standing Policy Committees will meet December 6:

- ◆ Law, Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee
- ◆ Natural Resources and Infrastructure Committee
- ◆ Communications, Financial Services and Interstate Commerce Committee

The following policy sessions are scheduled for December 6:

- ◆ American Higher Education in a Changing World
- ◆ Workers' Compensation: Keeping Injured Workers on the Job
- ◆ Getting to the Doctor: The Importance of Reliable and Low-Cost Transportation

- ◆ Hearing: Sports Betting
- ◆ Cybersecurity and Elections: Where We Are Now
- ◆ State and Federal Housing Policy Solutions
- ◆ #StatesLeading: State Legislative Leadership in Education
- ◆ Addressing Rising Health Care Costs
- ◆ International Trade Panel and Discussion
- ◆ Three States Tackle Voter Registration
- ◆ State & Federal Budget Update
- ◆ Checking In on Autonomous Vehicles
- ◆ Remote Sales Tax Collection (Luncheon)
- ◆ School Safety: Federal Resources and Tools to Improve School Safety
- ◆ Fifteen Months Until Census Day: The Bureau is Preparing
- ◆ Congressional Staff Roundtable and HHS Federal Update
- ◆ Entrepreneurship and Economic Opportunities for Veterans
- ◆ Cybersecurity and Liability Insurance: Consumers are the Next Security Front
- ◆ Federal Tax Reform - Impact on 2019 Legislative Sessions
- ◆ Getting Ready for Redistricting
- ◆ Supreme Court Roundup
- ◆ Changes Affecting the Private Health Insurance Market
- ◆ From Plastics to Paper: How Chinese Policies have Altered U.S. Recycling
- ◆ The Future of State Internet Regulation
- ◆ Redistricting in the Courts: Where are We Now?
- ◆ State Role in Local Justice
- ◆ ESSA Implementation: State Work in Progress

The NCSL Business Meeting will take place the morning of December 7. Legislators will consider policy resolutions and directives from Standing Committees during this time.

The Task Force on Energy Supply and Task Force on Insurance will also convene December 7.

The Task Force on Insurance is also scheduled to convene the morning of December 8.

More information is available at:

<http://www.ncsl.org/meetings-training/2018-ncsl-capitol-forum-online-agenda.aspx>

NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN LEGISLATORS (NFWL)

Annual Conference | November 13-17

Washington, D.C.

Stateside Contact: Johnathan Lozier at jbl@stateside.com

The **Annual Conference** will begin with a reception November 13. The following sessions are tentatively scheduled for November 14:

- ◆ Share the Savings
- ◆ Occupational Licensing in the Beauty Industry
- ◆ Rare Diseases and Newborn Screening
- ◆ State Budgets and Pensions
- ◆ Preventative Healthcare

The following sessions are tentatively scheduled for November 15:

- ◆ Telecommunications Innovation and Expansion
- ◆ K-12 Education

The following sessions are tentatively scheduled for November 16:

- ◆ Focus on Infrastructure
- ◆ Energy
- ◆ The Importance of Auto Safety

NFWL members will also meet each day of the conference to consider policy resolutions and shared legislation.

More information is available at:

<https://www.womenlegislators.org/conference/2018-conference-countdown/>

NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES (NLC)

City Summit | November 7-10

Los Angeles, California

Stateside Contact: Stephanie Reich at sr@stateside.com

The **City Summit** will feature more than 100 sessions and workshops.

The following NLC committees will convene November 7:

- ◆ Public Safety & Crime Prevention Committee
- ◆ Energy, Environment & Natural Resources Committee
- ◆ Human Development Committee
- ◆ Information Technology & Communications Committee
- ◆ Community & Economic Development Committee
- ◆ Transportation and Infrastructure Services Committee
- ◆ Finance, Administration & Intergovernmental Relations Committee

The following mobile workshops have also been scheduled for November 7:

- ◆ Building the Stadium of Tomorrow: How Inglewood is Revitalizing its Entertainment District
- ◆ LA's Green Infrastructure and Sustainability Tour
- ◆ Creating the U.S.'s Greenest Port while Revitalizing the L.A. Waterfront
- ◆ An Urban Oasis: Downtown LA's Arts District
- ◆ Watts Rising: How Community Led Change Made Lasting Impacts on Housing, Public Safety and the Local Environment
- ◆ Replacing a Hollywood Icon: Touring the \$482 Million Sixth Street Viaduct Replacement Project
- ◆ Building the World's Largest Cannabis Industry
- ◆ An Urban Oasis: Downtown LA's Arts District
- ◆ Housing the Homeless with a Continuum of Care
- ◆ Using Data to Fight Fires and Crime

The NLC Board of Directors will meet November 8. The following sessions have been scheduled for November 8:

- ◆ Rethink Recycling
- ◆ Making Online Civic Engagement Work for Your City
- ◆ Achieving Economic and Resilience Objectives with Local Energy Projects
- ◆ Census 2020: How to Set Your City Up for Success & Where to Start
- ◆ Cannabis Regulation and Cities: What Elected Officials Need to Know
- ◆ Overcoming Social Inequities with Technology, Today
- ◆ How Innovative Apps Are Changing the Public Safety Marketplace
- ◆ Innovative Solutions to Meet Cities' Affordable Housing Needs
- ◆ Case Study in Collaboration: Cyber City San Antonio
- ◆ Facebook for Local Government
- ◆ Mode Shift: Liberating our Cities from Cars
- ◆ Stabilizing the Gig Economy
- ◆ Meeting the Nation's Demand for Housing

- ◆ An Industry-Changing Combination
- ◆ Using Solar Energy to Achieve Municipal Climate and Resiliency Goals
- ◆ Destroying Silos to Build a Strong Start for Our Kids
- ◆ Building Connected Active Transportation Networks
- ◆ How the Gig Economy Can Help Cities Thrive

A Smart Cities Sharing Summit on Building Smart City Innovation Ecosystems has been scheduled for the morning of November 9. The following sessions have been scheduled for November 9:

- ◆ Tools to Mitigate the Housing and Homelessness Crisis
- ◆ Preparing to Rebuild and Reimagine Local Infrastructure
- ◆ Cybersecurity, Ethics and Liability in the Era of Big Data
- ◆ Building Foundations: Investing in Youth to Support Workforce Success
- ◆ Creative Collaboration: Jumpstart Sustainable Water Programs with WaterNow
- ◆ Attracting and Hosting Movie and TV Production
- ◆ Reducing Costs in Emergency Management
- ◆ Addressing Addiction in Small Cities
- ◆ The Future is Automated: How City Leaders Can Prepare for a New Economic Landscape
- ◆ What Cities Can Do When States Push Down Higher Healthcare and Pension Costs

The following sessions have been scheduled for November 10:

- ◆ Building a Culture of Health and the Threat of Preemption
- ◆ Big Ideas for Small Cities
- ◆ The Housing Crisis: Strategies for Affordable, Safe and Healthy Homes
- ◆ Building Broadband in Small Cities
- ◆ Ensuring Equity in Workforce Development Programming for Special Populations

In addition, NLC will be featuring a session on the short-film Heroin(e) on November 10 which following the opioid epidemic in West Virginia.

The NLC Business Meeting will take place November 10.

More information is available at:

<https://citysummit.nlc.org>

NATIONAL LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION (NLGA)

New Member & Business Meeting | November 28-30

Alexandria, Virginia

Stateside Contact: Mark Anderson at mda@stateside.com

The **New Member & Business Meeting** will begin November 28 with a keynote delivered by Virginia Governor Ralph Northam (D). The following sessions have also been scheduled for the day:

- ◆ How You Prepare for Emergency Response
- ◆ State-County-City Relations How You Elevate Local Partnerships

A keynote on obesity is planned for November 29. The following sessions have also been scheduled for the day:

- ◆ Your Role in International Relations
- ◆ Veterans Affairs

More information will become available at:

<http://www.nlga.us/conferences/2018-business-meeting/2018-new-elect-business-meeting-agenda/>

REPUBLICAN ATTORNEYS GENERAL ASSOCIATION (RAGA)

Fall National Meeting | November 10-13

Dana Point, California

Stateside Contact: Steve Arthur at sca@stateside.com

The **Fall National Meeting** will begin with an ERC and Host Committee reception and dinner on November 10. Social programming will take place November 11. The Political Update will be delivered November 12. Issue Panels are also being planned for November 12. RAGA is expecting over 15 attorneys general to attend this meeting.

REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION (RGA)

Annual Conference | November 28-29

Scottsdale, Arizona

Stateside Contact: Steve Arthur at sca@stateside.com

The **Annual Conference** will begin with an opening

plenary featuring Vice President Mike Pence on November 28.

Concurrent breakout sessions will take place November 29. Expected topics of discuss include cybersecurity, growing the energy sector, and improving access to affordable healthcare.

WESTERN GOVERNORS' ASSOCIATION (WGA)

Winter Meeting | December 11-13

Kohala Coast, Hawaii

Stateside Contact: Michael Behm at mjb@stateside.com

The **Winter Meeting** will begin with the following roundtables on December 11:

- ◆ Chair's Initiative - Western Governors' Biosecurity and Invasive Species
- ◆ Harnessing the Power of Outdoor Recreation

An opening reception is also planned for the evening.

The following roundtables have been scheduled for December 12:

- ◆ Helping Veterans Move from "Jobs" to "Careers"
- ◆ Renewable Energy Integration and Technology

A roundtable entitled Social Determinants and Western Health Care is scheduled for December 13. The Policy and Business Session will also take place December 13. Governors will consider any submitted policy positions during this time.

More information is available at:

<http://www.cvent.com/events/wga-2018-winter-meeting/event-summary-430f74aea5c640a5b4a2141e73cddacb.aspx>

STATESIDE ASSOCIATES' GROUPS PRACTICE

Groups and their members are policymakers and lobbyists. They are hubs of communication among state and local government officials. Their actions and policies transcend district lines.

Since 1988, Stateside Associates has been helping corporate, trade association and federal clients better plan and manage their engagement with organizations of state and local officials.

We help our clients leverage more value from their Groups participation, including but not limited to representing our clients at Groups meetings; adding expert bandwidth to their program while ensuring proper execution of Groups' engagement efforts; identifying the right people to meet and building productive, sustainable relationships; and, establishing client's credibility with Groups' leaders and staff in relevant issue areas.

Want to maximize your Groups engagement? Call Michael Behm at 703-525-7466 or email him at mjb@stateside.com.

LOOKING AHEAD

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Greater Cincinnati Region, Kentucky

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Nashville, Tennessee

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Kohala Coast, Hawaii

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