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Election Season is Upon Us

The 2016 Primary Election will take place on August 30. With only a month remaining until the primary election, candidates are making a strong push to get their messages across to voters.

One U.S. Senate seat and all nine congressional seats are up for grabs, as are the 90 state legislative seats and all 61 county supervisor positions.

Please click on the following links for the candidate lists:

- [Senate & Congressional Races](#)
- [County Supervisor Races](#)
- [State Legislative Races](#)



Though August 30 is the official primary election day, voters may cast early ballots starting on August 3. The final day to register to vote in the primary election is August 1.

For more information on the 2016 elections, please visit the [Secretary of State](#) website.

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County Officials Participate in National Convention



This week, elected officials from across the country descended on Cleveland, Ohio for the Republican National Convention.

Two Arizona County Supervisors, Supervisor Hildy Angius from Mohave County (who served as a voting delegate) and Supervisor Russ Clark from Yuma County, joined many of their colleagues, including the National Association of Counties (NACo) President and El Paso County, Colorado Commissioner, Sallie Clark, for the event.

Stay tuned next week for the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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ACMA Conference

This week CSA attended the Arizona City/County Management Association (ACMA) Summer Conference.

Facilitated discussions during the conference covered a variety of issues including an economic update, current trends in social media, the negative impacts of human trafficking in our communities and the dark side of cyber security.

Today, CSA Executive Director Craig Sullivan participated in a panel with Ken Strobeck, Executive Director of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns to provide an update for ACMA members on legislative issues, including an overview of the 2016 legislative session, the successful coalition efforts on PSPRS reform and the ongoing impact of the 1% issue.



The Arizona City/County Management Association was established in 1954. It is a non-profit, professional organization dedicated to increasing the knowledge and ability of city, town and county managers, as well as other local government administrators. The organization also aims to strengthen the quality of local government in the state of Arizona through professional management, education, training and the mutual exchange of information.

For more information on the Arizona City/County Management Association, please [click here](#).

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2016 Gabe Zimmerman Awards Honor Three County Officials

This week the 2016 Gabe Zimmerman Public Service Awards were announced at the Arizona City/County Management Association (ACMA) conference and three county officials were honored. The awards are a statewide competition created to recognize non-elected public servants.



- Tom Manos, former Maricopa County Manager, was honored as the winner of the 2016 Gabe Zimmerman Civic Leader Award. Mr. Manos was appointed as Maricopa County manager in 2012. His commitment to others began with service in the Peace Corps in Liberia, employment with the county beginning in 1984, and budgetary assistance to two Arizona governors. He also co-managed Maricopa County's Human Services Campus, which provides numerous services to homeless people, a passion of Mr. Manos.
- Janet Regner, the Community Services Director for Coconino County, was honored as the winner of the 2016 Gabe Zimmerman Community Builder Award. Prior to her appointment in Coconino County, she served as a Senior Partner with Husk Partners. Ms. Regner currently serves on the Executive Board of The Hopi Education Endowment Fund, and is a member of the Arizona Judicial Council.
- Andrés Cano, Special Staff Assistant to Pima County District 5 Supervisor Richard Elías, was honored as the winner of the 2016 Gabe Zimmerman Emerging Leader Award. Mr. Cano started working as a Pima County Summer Youth Program Intern when he was just 14 years old and in 2012 he returned to work in the District 5 office. He serves as Vice Chair of Planned Parenthood Arizona's statewide board of directors and he is the Chair of Tucson's National Latino AIDS Awareness Day Planning Committee.

The awards are named in honor of Gabrielle Gifford's director of community outreach who lost his life on January 8, 2011, while serving the citizens of Arizona. In addition to the support from the Zimmerman family, the 2016 Gabe Zimmerman Public Service Awards are sponsored by the Center for the Future of Arizona, the Arizona Department of Administration, the County Supervisors Association of Arizona, the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Incorporated and the League of Arizona Cities and Towns.

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JLBC Monthly Fiscal Highlights

This week, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee (JLBC) released the monthly fiscal highlights for June, marking the end of the fiscal year. Total General Fund collections in June were \$16.6 million above June 2015 and \$(18.2) million below the budget forecast. While the process to close out the fiscal year is still ongoing, JLBC estimates the state ended FY 2016 with a balance of \$222 million, \$3 million below the budget forecast. The smaller ending balance number from FY 2016 is not expected to impact the FY 2017 projected ending balance of \$66 million.



Sales tax collections in June totaled \$368 million, a 6.3 percent increase over June 2015, and \$6.6 million over forecast. Year-to-date sales tax collections increased 2.9 percent from the prior year, the slowest growth rate since 2011. Total FY 2016 sales tax collections reached \$4.3 billion, \$(44.8) million below forecast.

Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) collections continue to perform better than expected with June collections totaling \$115.4 million, a 4.6 percent increase over June 2015, and \$5.1 million above forecast. Year-to-date HURF collections totaled \$ 1.4 billion, a 5.1 percent increase over last year and \$25 million above forecast.

For more information on June General Fund Revenues, please [click here](#).

For more information on HURF Monthly Revenue Trends, please [click here](#).

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NACo Survey Findings - Priorities in America's Counties 2016

This April, the National Association of Counties (NACo) steering committees surveyed county leaders to produce a report detailing policy and issue priorities among organization members.

The majority of county officials surveyed prioritized the need for increased health, substance abuse, justice and public safety services and ranked substance abuse issues as the greatest threat to public safety.

Surveyed participants also weighed in on funding cuts for local programs, concerns about federal and state budgets, and prioritizing county services.

To view the survey findings in their entirety, please [click here](#).

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CSA on the Road

Each year after the legislative session ends, CSA staff travels the state to meet with county supervisors and professional staff.

This week CSA staff visited with Graham and Greenlee Counties. CSA President and Coconino County Supervisor Mandy Metzger joined the team when they traveled to Santa Cruz County.

The remaining schedule is as follows:



2016 CSA OUTREACH SCHEDULE		
Date	County	Time
August 1	Apache County	8:30 a.m.
August 2	Gila County	10:00 a.m.
August 9	Navajo County	9:00 a.m.
August 16	Coconino County	11:30 a.m.
September 19	Maricopa County	10:00 a.m.
*Scheduling additional counties in the coming weeks.		

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This Week in Arizona History...

On July 21, 1901, Burton C. Mossman (*pictured*) was named captain of the Arizona Rangers and authorized to raise a company of 10 or 12 men to hunt cattle rustlers and other criminals.

The rangers, many of whom in the early years were veterans of Theodore Roosevelt's Rough Riders, were skilled horsemen, trackers and marksmen. Though originally intended to be covert, the group became widely publicized and conspicuous, they sported their badges boldly and were distinctively well-armed.



Source: [Arizona Rangers](#)

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Upcoming NACo Webinar

The National Association of Counties (NACo) is hosting a series of upcoming webinars, including:

[Improving Local Resilience through Community Planning](#)

August 4 - 2 – 3:15 p.m. EDT

This webinar will examine the U.S. Commerce Department's National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Community Resilience Planning Guide for Buildings and Infrastructure Systems, and how counties can benefit from its practical six-step process. Natural, technological, and human-caused hazards take a high toll on communities, but the costs in lives, livelihoods and quality of life can be reduced through improved management of disaster risks.

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