# Fall Meeting of the County Council Coalition

Institute of Government for County Officials

SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES

October 19-20, 2022 • Embassy Suites Hotel, Columbia

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Thursday, October 20, 2022 Embassy Suites Hotel, Columbia

## The Fall Meeting of the County Council Coalition Is Very Important:

The County Council Coalition will review the draft policy positions by the Association's four policy steering committees (County Government and Intergovernmental Relations; Land Use, Natural Resources and Transportation; Public Safety, Corrections and Judicial; and Revenue, Finance and Economic Development). Input given at the Coalition meeting will be incorporated into the position papers for review by the steering committees when they meet again in November. These recommendations will be presented at the Legislative Conference for action by the Legislative Committee. The positions adopted by the Legislative Committee will become SCAC's official policy positions.

**Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m.**, and the meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. A short business session will also be held so that officers for 2022-2023 can be elected. The meeting includes a luncheon.

## The Participation of ALL County Council Members Is Crucial:

The 2023 Session of the General Assembly will be a critical one as more initiatives affecting property taxation and our counties' fiscal and home rule authority will be debated. We must be prepared to tackle these issues.

## **Registration/Reservations:**

The registration fee is \$70.00 per person. If you prefer to mail a check, please select "Bill Me" when registering online and mail a check to SCAC by Friday, October 14. Or, you may complete the registration form and mail it with a check to SCAC prior to the deadline. After October 14 and on-site, the registration fee will be \$80.00 per person.

Hotel reservations may be made online by visiting <u>https://tinyurl.com/CCCIOG22</u>. You will need to change the checkin date if booking a room on Tuesday, October 18. The discounted room rate is \$139.00/night (plus taxes = \$158.46). The **deadline for making hotel reservations is Tuesday, September 27.** Cancellations of hotel rooms must be received by the hotel by 6 p.m. the day before arrival. If you are sending a check, the hotel must receive the check two weeks prior to your check-in date. Otherwise, you will be required to pay with a credit card at check-in.

## Institute of Government:

The Institute of Government for County Officials will be held the day before the Coalition meeting (Wednesday, October 19). Please see the following information on courses offered.

## **COUNTY COUNCIL COALITION FALL MEETING**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2022 EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL, COLUMBIA

#### AGENDA

10:00 a.m.	WELCOME & CALL TO ORDERJames T. McCain Jr., CCC President
	Sumter Council Chairman
	INVOCATION Waymon Mumford
	Florence County Council
	PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE Charles Edens
	Sumter County Council
10:05 a.m.	ECONOMIC UPDATE Frank Rainwater
	Executive Director
	S.C. Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office
10:40 a.m.	OPIOID RECOVERY FUND
11:10 a.m.	S.C. OFFICE OF RESILIENCE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
	Disaster Recovery, Mitigation and Operations Director
	S.C. Office of Resilience
11:30 a.m.	REPORTS OF THE SCAC
	POLICY STEERING COMMITTEESRoy Costner III
	Chairman, SCAC Legislative Committee
	Pickens County Council Vice Chairman
	County Government and Intergovernmental Relations Joseph B. Dill, Chairman
	Greenville County Council
	Land Use, Natural Resources and Transportation Charles T. Edens, Chairman
	Sumter County Council
	Public Safety, Corrections and JudicialJulie J. Armstrong, Chairwoman
	Charleston County Clerk of Court
	Revenue, Finance and Economic DevelopmentBelinda D. Copeland, Chairwoman
	Darlington County
12:00 p.m.	BUSINESS SESSION:
-	Report of Nominating Committee: Election of Officers for 2022-2023
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## Institute of Government for County Officials

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Courses in Level I and Level II are being offered in conjunction with the County Council Coalition meeting. Participants are eligible to earn credit for Level II courses after graduation from Level I or earning credit for at least six (6) Level I courses.

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### **Schedule of Courses**

#### 8:30 a.m. Registration

#### 9:00 a.m. — Noon

#### Level I: Public Speaking [E]

This course provides an opportunity for county officials to enhance their public presentation skills. The characteristics of effective presentations will be discussed, and participants will be given the opportunity to practice their presentation skills.

#### Level II: The Property Taxation Process

This course will examine the property taxation process in South Carolina with emphasis on the most recent changes. Through class discussion, participants will learn: the history of property taxes in the state; legal considerations; how to compute millage rates; and updates to property tax statutes. Key terms will be defined. Roles and responsibilities of the key players (i.e., county council, auditor, assessor, treasurer, tax collector, and the S.C. Department of Revenue) in the process will also be covered.

#### 12:00 p.m. Registration

#### 1:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.

#### Level I: Understanding and Seeking Differences [E]

This course will explore the reality of working in a diverse environment, as well as the tools that counties can use to recognize, accept, and value differences. During this session, participants will discuss the changing demographics—such as age, race, and ethnicity—of local government communities and the county workforce.

#### Level II: Financial Management

The focus of this course will be on understanding the basic elements of financial management and the role elected officials have in county financial decisions. The various budgeting methods of local governments will be explored with particular emphasis placed on the connection between financial decisions and council policy-making and goal setting. Participants will also discuss the basics of fund accounting, financial audits, and county credit ratings. Lessons learned from the recession, updates on any new or pending rules issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, and new or pending state legislation that will affect county government finances will also be discussed.

[E] – Elective course in Level I

## **Registration Form**



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Please register me to attend the County Council Coalition Meeting and/or the Institute of Government:

Name	
Title	_ Daytime Phone
County	
E-Mail	

### County Council Coalition (10/20/22):

Please enclose a check for \$70.00 made payable to the South Carolina Association of Counties to cover the <u>per person</u> registration fee for the County Council Coalition meeting. Lunch is included.

Deadline for pre-registration is Friday, October 14. Registrations canceled by 5:00 p.m. on October 14 will be assessed a \$10.00 service charge. Cancellations must be in writing. No refunds will be made after October 14. After October 14 and on-site, the registration fee will be \$80.00 per person.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the \$70.00 per person registration fee. If paying with a credit card, please register online: <u>https://sccounties.site-ym.com/event/CCC22</u>.

### Institute of Government (10/19/22):

Please check the course(s) for which you would like to enroll. The cost <u>per course</u> is \$80.00, which includes all materials and coffee breaks. Please note – **lunch is not included**.

Public Speaking [E]\* (Level I) 9:00 a.m. — Noon

Understanding and Seeking Differences [E] (Level I) 1:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.

The Property Taxation Process (Level II) 9:00 a.m. — Noon

Financial Management (Level II) 1:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.

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Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the \$80.00 per course registration fee. If paying with a credit card, please register online: <u>https://sccounties.site-ym.com/event/IOGCCC22</u>.

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