

## Resources for Counties

Sharing timely information with county officials is of paramount importance to the mission of ISACo. ISACo uses multiple platforms to communicate information (e-newsletters, social media, etc.). First and foremost is our evolving website.



ISACo's website ([www.isacoil.org](http://www.isacoil.org)) includes the following helpful information:

- ISACo's Bylaws and Leadership
- Tracked Legislation
- ISACo's Bill Positions
- Meeting Agendas and Minutes
- Legislative Advocacy Materials
- Archived Newsletters
- New Laws Affecting Counties

## Membership Benefits

As a member of ISACo, your county will be supporting our mission of bringing counties together and participating in our policy and decision-making structure. ISACo is comprised of the following committees... with more on the way!

- Legislative Committee
- Cook and Collar County Caucus
- Large County Board Caucus
- Rural Action Caucus

## Dues Structure

**ISACo Basic Dues:** \$300 + .006 cents per resident

**Cook and Collar County Caucus:** \$25 per 1,000 residents (\$16,000 maximum)

**Large County Board Caucus:** \$35 per 1,000 residents (\$7,000 maximum)\*

ISACo's offerings of programs and services will grow as our membership and resources grow. Your membership will make a difference!

\*Counties with 100,000 or more in population.

# Come Grow with ISACo!

**Membership has Value**



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## What is ISACo?

The Illinois State Association of Counties (ISACo) is a statewide association whose mission is to empower county officials to provide excellent service to their residents. ISACo member counties are comprised of forward-thinking public servants who recognize that the challenges confronting county governments require new and innovative ideas, collaborative solutions and collective advocacy at the state and federal levels of government.

ISACo provides education and training opportunities, peer-to-peer networking, shared resources and robust representation before policymakers at various levels of government. ISACo creates and connects county officials to these opportunities and successfully equips them to make counties ideal places to live, work and play.



## Legislative Advocacy

More than ever, Illinois counties need a strong advocate at the Statehouse and on Capitol Hill. ISACo pursues proactive and aggressive legislative strategies to provide counties with the tools needed to fulfill their important mission.

ISACo's legislative program includes the following:

- Developing an annual legislative agenda that enhances county authority and capacity to solve local problems.
- Reviewing and taking positions on legislation to expand county authority while fighting against unfunded state mandates and preemptions of local authority.
- Monitoring and influencing actions taken by state agencies, boards, commissions and task forces.
- Publishing a weekly e-newsletter during the legislative session that informs county officials about legislation of interest to counties being considered in Springfield and Washington, DC.

## Education and Networking

ISACo is planning training seminars designed to fully-equip county officials to serve their constituents at the highest level possible. Session topics under discussion include the following:

- Not-So-Newly Elected Officials Training
- Federal Transportation Issues
- Effective Legislative Advocacy for County Officials

Bringing county officials throughout Illinois together to share information, develop relationships and pursue common objectives is an important mission of ISACo. ISACo will host events for county officials across the state to facilitate communication, connection and a shared sense of purpose.

**ISACo brings counties together.**

