



2026
IACO
SPRING
CONFERENCE



ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS
APRIL 22-24 | CROWNE PLAZA, SPRINGFIELD



SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

It's time to come out of hibernation and mingle with your fellow IACO members. Join us at the **2026 IACO Spring Conference** in Springfield. We are excited to offer lively discussions, a vibrant exhibit hall, and fantastic networking opportunities.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

5:00 p.m. Welcome Reception

- Kick off the conference at our welcome reception, an informal opportunity to gather, connect, and settle in.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

7:30 a.m. Registration Open

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Exhibits Open

9:00 a.m. Welcome & Opening Remarks

- Karen Stukel, 2026 IACO President, Will County Recorder

10:00 a.m. Refreshment Break

10:30 a.m. General Session

11:30 a.m. Scholarship Luncheon

- Join us for the Scholarship Luncheon as we celebrate our scholarship recipients and recognize their achievements.

1:15 p.m. General Session

2:15 p.m. Refreshment Break

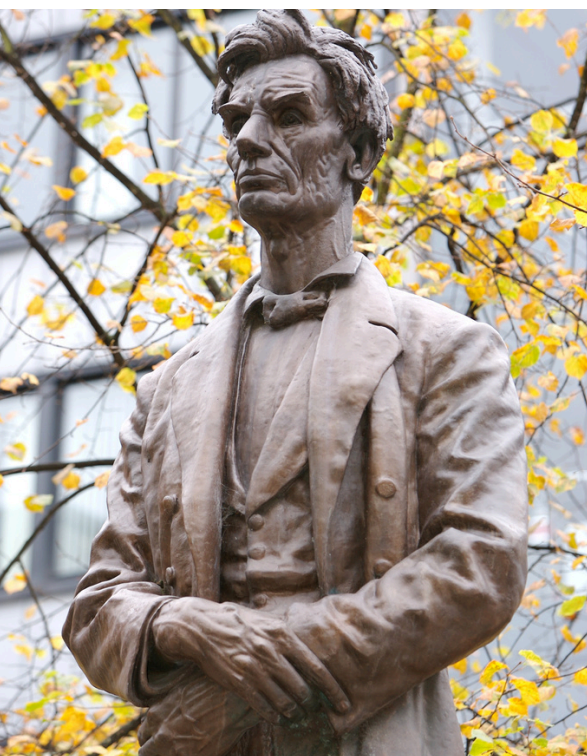
2:30 p.m. General Session

4:30 p.m. Wind Down Reception

- Wrap up the first day of the conference at the Wind-Down Reception, a relaxed setting designed for easy conversation, networking with fellow attendees, and time to connect with our exhibitors.

Evening Hospitality Suites Open





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THURSDAY, APRIL 23

7:00 a.m. Registration Open

7:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Exhibits Open

9:00 - 4:00 p.m. Affiliate Organization Meetings

- Join affiliate organization sessions for substantive presentations that dive into current issues, shared challenges, and practical solutions.

11:30 a.m. Lunch Buffet

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Welcome to the Wild West Dinner!

- Dust off your boots, grab your cowboy hat, and mosey over for a boot-stompin' dinner buffet before hitting the dance floor. Enjoy line dancing and great music as our DJ keeps the dance hall hoppin' all evening. You might even ride off with a prize!

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FRIDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 a.m. Closing Breakfast

9:00 - 12:00 p.m. Affiliate Organization Meetings

REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2026 IACO Spring Conference includes course materials, meal functions on Wednesday, Thursday, and/or Friday, networking receptions, and exceptional programming. Guest Registration is reserved for the spouse/significant others of a county official and includes meal functions only.

REGISTRATION FEES

- **Full Registration:** Wednesday, April 22 – Friday, April 24 \$300
- **Wednesday-Only Registration** | April 22 \$175
- **Thursday-Only Registration** | April 23 \$175
- **Retired County Official** \$175
- **Guest** \$200



CANCELLATION POLICY

Conference registrations made and not cancelled will be billed. Cancellations must be made in writing on or before **March 31** to receive a refund. All refunds (less a \$100 processing fee) will be made after the conference. Cancellation notices should be sent to Associate Director Toni Tripp, toni@IACOonline.org.

HOTEL INFORMATION

We have secured a block of rooms at the **Crowne Plaza**, 3000 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL for the evenings of Tuesday, April 21, Wednesday, April 22, and Thursday, April 23, 2026 at the standard government rate.

The link to make your guestroom reservation will be provided in your event registration confirmation email.

Please only reserve the rooms you need - IACO is financially penalized when reserved rooms are cancelled after the block expires if we fall below our contractual room block commitment.

PLEASE NOTE: Our room block expires **March 21**. After this date, the hotel will release all rooms and reservation requests will be accepted on a space-available basis, at the higher of the government rate or rate available at that time.

REGISTER TODAY!

Registration is now open at www.IACOonline.org.

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