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County wins 42 awards from National Association of Counties





San Bernardino County programs that enhanced services for children and seniors, promoted civic engagement and encouraged literacy are among 42 groundbreaking initiatives that won 2018 Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties (NACo).





The Department of Public Health won five awards from NACo for working with cities to develop a Healthy Communities plan, helping restaurants reduce food-borne illnesses, and improving monitoring of mosquito-borne diseases throughout the county. Aging and Adult Services won four awards for streamlining services for seniors and their families. The San Bernardino County Library won three awards for a collaboration with Baker's Drive Thru to provide a read-for-rewards program to promote literacy, for developing a popular collection of new materials with input from customers and for a new Digital E-Card for patrons who choose to view e-books and other electronic resources online.

"It is an honor to be recognized by NACo for the work our employees do to provide top-notch services and to help empower people who live and work in our communities," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Robert A. Lovingood.

Since 2010, San Bernardino County has won 284 awards from NACo, an organization that honors innovative, effective county government programs that enhance services for residents.

Nationally, awards are given in 18 different categories that reflect the vast, comprehensive services counties provide. San Bernardino County won awards in 11 categories judged by NACo. This year, NACo recognized 615 entries from 116 counties and state associations in 29 states.

The Board of Supervisors will recognize and honor the people and departments responsible for the winning programs and services below at an upcoming public meeting:

Category: Arts, Culture and Historic Preservation

Assessor-Recorder-Clerk - <u>Historical Archives #ThrowbackThursday Video Series</u>

Category: Children and Youth

Children and Family Services - After-hours Response Center

Children and Family Services - Collaborative Initiative for Foster Parent Recruitment and Support

Children and Family Services - Resource Family Specialists (RFS) Program

San Bernardino County Museum – <u>Curious CITY at the Victor Valley Museum</u> Preschool Services Department - <u>Footsteps 2 Brilliance</u>

<u>Category: Civic Education and Public Information</u>

Registrar of Voters - Election Selfie Program

Category: Community and Economic Development

Community Development and Housing - <u>Horizons at Yucaipa Housing Project</u>

Housing Authority - Transitioning out of the Traditional Public Housing Business

Land Use Services - Community Plans Continuum

Preschool Services - Apprenticeship Training Program

Preschool Services Department - Online High School Diploma Program

Category: County Administration and Management

Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures - <u>Reducing Water Usage and Time In The Inspection</u> Of Water Sub-Meters

Housing Authority - Successful Transfer of the Upland Housing Authority Affordable Housing Programs

Registrar of Voters - EC File - An Automated Candidate Filing Program

Category: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Department of Behavioral Health - <u>Corrections To A Safer Community Program</u>

Probation Department - <u>Five Keys Educational Program at Probation Adult Day Reporting Centers</u>

Category: Health

Arrowhead Regional Medical Center - Behavioral Health Service Delivery Model Program

Arrowhead Regional Medical Center - Maternal Mental Wellness Program

Department of Behavioral Health - Military Services and Family Support program

Department of Behavioral Health - Psychiatric Partnering Program

Department of Public Health - <u>An Innovate Approach to Healthy Communities - Evaluation and</u>

Strategic Plan

Department of Public Health - <u>Elevated Risk Plan</u>

Department of Public Health - <u>Invasive Aedes Surveillance Program</u>

Category: Human Services

Aging and Adult Services - APS Prepaid Card Program

Aging and Adult Services - In-Home Supportive Services Quality Improvement Initiatives

Aging and Adult Services - Optimizing Services for Conservatees

Aging and Adult Services - Public Guardian Reading Room

Children's Network - Engaging and Connecting Volunteer Mentors with System Involved Children

Child Support Services - Call Center Expansion and Holistic Case Management

Transitional Assistance Department - Self-Service Options Campaign

Transitional Assistance Department - <u>Supervisor Academy</u>

Veterans Affairs - <u>Incarcerated Veteran Project</u>

Category: Information Technology

Department of Airports - <u>OR Reporting Signage Program - Department of Airports</u>

Department of Public Health - <u>HealthStat - Open Performance Dashboard</u>

Department of Public Health - <u>Web-based Tracking and Reporting of Strategic Plan Objectives</u>

Information Services Department - <u>EZ Online Permitting (EZOP) Website</u>

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Purchasing and Information Services departments - <u>Temporary Employee Portal</u>

Category: Libraries

County Library - Baker's Drive Thru Fall Read for Rewards Reading Initiative

County Library - <u>E-Content Library Card</u>: A <u>Digital Library Card</u>

County Library - <u>Library Collection Development Evolution Strategy</u>

Category: Personnel Management, Employment and Training

Department of Public Works - Public Works 4 You Day

To view specific information about each program, visit http://www.naco.org/blog/2018-achievement-award-winners-announced.