

**2021 (114th) Annual Conference  
Schedule of Events**

<b>Thursday, August 12</b>		
7 a.m.	Breakfast buffet - general	Hotel Ballast Grand Ballroom (ground ballroom)
8 a.m. check-in; 9 a.m. start	County Invitational Golf Tournament	Beau Rivage
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Check-in and registration desk hours	WCC Grand Ballroom D
9:30 - 11:45 a.m.	Real Colors Fundamentals: Understanding Yourself and Others - Kevin Leonard, Amy Bason	WCC Grand Ballroom E + F
9:30 - 10:45 a.m.	Concurrent session: Reasons for Fiscal Distress, and Strategies and Mechanisms for Relief	WCC Grand Ballroom A + B
9:30 - 10:45 a.m.	Concurrent session: Takeaways from New Hanover County's COVID-19 Experience	WCC Grand Ballroom C
9:30 - 11:45 a.m.	The Dump That's Not a Dump: A Riding Tour of New Hanover County's Unique Landfill (two hour-long offerings; second starts at 10:45 a.m.)	
11 - 11:45 a.m.	Sponsored concurrent session 1 - Employee Benefit Solutions: Cashback and Pet Insurance	WCC Grand Ballroom C
11 - 11:45 a.m.	Sponsored concurrent session 2 - Helping Dreams of New Schools Become Reality, NC Education Lottery	WCC Grand Ballroom A + B
11 - 11:45 a.m.	Sponsored concurrent session 3 - Promoting Equity and Engagement in Government with Qualtrics	WCC Junior Ballroom 106 + 107
Noon – 1:30 p.m.	Celebratory lunch and conference kick-off	WCC Exhibit Hall
1:45 - 4 p.m.	Addressing Hunger: A Path for Counties to Help Strengthen NC's Food Ecosystem	WCC Exhibit Hall
4:15 - 5:30 p.m.	NCABCO Business Meeting	Embassy Grand Ballroom
5 - 6 p.m.	Networking Reception	WCC Concourses and outdoor lawn
6 – 8 p.m.	First Night Celebration, hosted by NC CES	WCC Exhibit Hall and lawn
<b>Friday, August 13</b>		
7 a.m.	Breakfast in honor of new county commissioners	Hotel Ballast Grand Ballroom (ground ballroom)
8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Check-in and registration desk hours	WCC Grand Ballroom D
8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	General Session: Where Do We Go from Here? Dr. Rupert Nacoste	WCC Exhibit Hall
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	Break	WCC Exhibit Hall and Concourses
10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	General Session: Breaking the Spell of High Conflict - Amanda Ripley	WCC Exhibit Hall
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	Association of County Clerks business meeting	Hotel Ballast Merrick Room (ground floor)
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	Networking lunch	WCC Exhibit Hall
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	County Managers' Luncheon	WCC Grand Ballroom A + B
11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	NCABCO Scholarship Banquet	Embassy Grand Ballroom
1:30 – 4:45 p.m.	The Futures Game: Realizing the Long-Term Implications and Consequences of Decisions Made Today - Dan Clark	WCC Grand Ballroom E + F
1:30 – 2:45 p.m.	Concurrent session: A Path Forward for Local Public Health: Discussions on Immediate and Future Priorities	WCC Grand Ballroom C
1:30 – 2:45 p.m.	Concurrent session: Reap the Benefits of Investing in Employee Resiliency	WCC Junior Ballroom 106 + 107
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	The Dump That's Not a Dump: A Riding Tour of New Hanover County's Unique Landfill	Off-site
1:30 – 2:45 p.m.	Concurrent session: Navigating the Media: The Essentials of a Constructive Relationship	WCC Grand Ballroom A + B
2:45 - 3:30 p.m.	LGFCU Excellence in Innovation Awards milkshake break	WCC Exhibit Hall
3:30 p.m.	Facilitated tour: Airlie Gardens (advance sign-up required)	
3:30 p.m.	Facilitated tour: Thalian Hall (advance sign-up required)	
3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	LGFCU Excellence in Innovation Awards: Visit with winners	WCC Exhibit Hall
3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Concurrent session: Implicit Bias Training for the Workplace	WCC Grand Ballroom A + B
3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Meetup on County Parks, Trails and Greenways	WCC Junior Ballroom D
6:15 - 8 p.m.	Wilmington Water Tours sunset cruise w/live music	
6:30 - 9 p.m.	Cape Fear Riverboat cruise (advance sign-up required)	
8 - 8:30 p.m.	Horse-drawn trolley tour (advance sign-up required)	

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Saturday, August 14		
7 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Breakfast buffet - general	Hotel Ballast Grand Ballroom (ground ballroom)
7 a.m.	Morning Excursion Along the Wilmington Riverwalk	Behind Embassy Suites
8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Check-in and registration desk hours	WCC Info Desk, River Concourse
9 – 10:15 a.m.	General Session: Resilient Leadership: Prepare Today, Prevail Tomorrow - retired Lt. Gen. Russel Honoré	WCC Exhibit Hall
10:30 – 11:45 a.m.	Concurrent session: Conflict, complaints, confrontation and compliments - Dan Kenney	WCC Grand Ballroom A + B
10:30 – 11:45 a.m.	Concurrent session: Navigating the 2021 NCACC County Map Book: A Guide to Help Inform Decisions and Set Direction	Embassy Suites Grand Ballroom
10:30 – 11:45 a.m.	Concurrent session 3: How Emergency Response, Diversion and Pretrial Services Fit into Rehabbing Criminal Justice	WCC Grand Ballroom C
10:30 – 11:45 a.m.	Concurrent session: Jumanji 2020: Lessons from the Seemingly Never-Ending Disaster Exercise	WCC Junior Ballroom 106 + 107
Noon - 12:45 p.m.	Networking lunch	WCC Exhibit Hall
1 - 1:45 p.m.	Annual Business Session	WCC Grand Ballroom D, E + F
2 - 2:45 p.m.	The Story Behind the Settlement: Leading a Fight to Provide Hope for People Addicted to Opiates	WCC Grand Ballroom D, E + F
5:30 - 6 p.m.	Pre-reception bar opens	WCC Marina Concourse
6 – 8:30 p.m.	President's Reception and Banquet	WCC Exhibit Hall
8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	New President's Reception	WCC Exhibit Hall