

# North Dakota Township Officers Association 57th Annual Meeting

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# NDACo Governance - Board of Directors (21)

- 8 County Commissioners dispersed by 8 Geographic Regions
- 1 each from: Auditors, Clerks of District Court, Recorders, Sheriffs, State's Attorneys, Treasurers, Assessors, Highway Engineers, Human Service Zone (9)
- + President of Commissioners Association, Any National Appointment to NACO & Immediate past president. Currently 4
  - Executive Committee – Past President, President, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President

# Tax Status

*The Right Choice for NDACo – 501(c)4*

## Essential Characteristics

Non-Taxable Entity

May Lobby for Members

## Limitations

Donations are Not Tax Exempt

Ineligible for Foundation Grants

Services Limited to Member Groups



# Partnership Opportunities

## *Counties & Townships*



➤ Counties have partnered with townships for decades in many areas

➤ Service Agreements

➤ FEMA Projects

➤ Needs Study – GRIT

➤ Collaboration-Road/Bridge Projects

➤ Culvert agreements

➤ Snow Removal Grants

# Funding Opportunities

## *Legislative Programs*



- Strong Legislative Support for Infrastructure
  - Operation Prairie Dog
  - Legacy Earnings Highway Distribution Fund
  - Township Assistance Program
  - Flex Transportation Funds
    - Review guidelines on NDDOT website

# Future Partnerships

- Zoning of Concentrated Feeding Lot Operations
- Ensuring updated Flood Control Maps
- Road Funding
- Joint conferences
  - NDACo Annual Conference
  - County Roads Conference
  - NDLTAP Board/Training

The Sky is the limit!



# Thank you!

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