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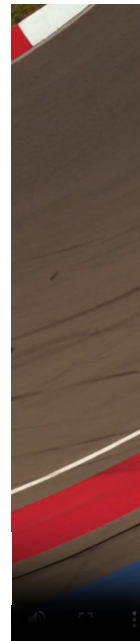
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Hear fresh perspectives from national thought leaders and explore innovative solutions from hundreds of industry partners in the Exhibit Hall.



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SUMMIT Spotlight

What to Say When You Can't Say Something Nice: The Positive Approach

Communication expert and author Sarita Maybin offers constructive ways to say the hard stuff. Take away real-life solutions to gain cooperation and encourage collaboration. Learn how to communicate with kindness, compassion and civility—in person and online.



SARITA MAYBIN

A Checkered Past: Al Unser Jr.'s Tragedies and Triumphs

Al Unser Jr. followed in his father's footsteps to become a repeat Indianapolis 500 champion. And while the public saw his gifts behind the wheel and easy affability, Unser's private struggle with drugs and alcohol ultimately led to divorce, depression and financial ruin. But that's not how the story ends. Come hear this motorsports legend recount his courageous and candid road to redemption.

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Sunday, Aug. 13	Monday, Aug. 14	Tuesday, Aug. 15	Wednesday, Aug. 16
<p>8 a.m.-5 p.m. Pre-Conferences</p> <p>NCSL Task Forces</p> <p>8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Legislative Staff Coordinating Committee</p> <p>1-3:15 p.m. Executive Committee Subcommittee Meetings</p> <p>3:30-5:30 p.m. Full Executive Committee Meeting</p>	<p>8-8:45 a.m. New Attendee Orientation</p> <p>9-10:15 a.m. Opening General Session</p> <p>10:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Sessions</p> <p>Noon-1:15 p.m. Committee Lunches</p> <p>1:30-2:30 p.m. Sessions</p> <p>2:45-3:45 p.m. Sessions</p> <p>4-5:15 p.m. General Session State Meet and Greet</p> <p>5:30-7 p.m. Opening Reception, Lucas Oil Stadium</p>	<p>Exhibit Hall 10 a.m.-4 p.m.</p> <p>7:30-8:45 a.m. Ancillary Groups</p> <p>9-10:15 a.m. General Session</p> <p>10:30-11:45 a.m. Sessions</p> <p>Noon-1:15 p.m. Exhibit Hall Lunch</p> <p>1:30-2:30 p.m. Sessions</p> <p>2:45-3:45 p.m. Sessions/Off-Site Tours</p> <p>4-5 p.m. Sessions Ancillary Groups</p>	<p>Exhibit Hall 10 a.m.-3 p.m.</p> <p>8-9:15 a.m. Party Breakfasts Legislative Staff Breakfast Foundation Coffee Meet & Greet</p> <p>9:30-10:45 a.m. Business Meeting</p> <p>11 a.m.-Noon Sessions</p> <p>12:15-1:30 p.m. Exhibit Hall Lunch Salute to Legislative Staff Lunch</p> <p>1:45-3 p.m. Sessions Legislative Staff University</p> <p>3:15-4:30 p.m. General Session</p> <p>6:30-9 p.m. Social Event, TCU Amphitheater</p>





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Expand Your Legislative Network.

Each year, legislators and staff from across the country gather at the Legislative Summit to connect and share best practices for how to solve the states' most pressing policy issues.

[Business Meeting](#)

Get the Inside Track on the Latest Policy Trends.

With more than 80 sessions to choose from, you'll hear from the nation's foremost public policy experts on a wide range of issues to cast a fresh perspective on your legislative agenda.

[Become An Exhibitor](#)

Advance Your Professional Skill Set.

This year's agenda is packed with professional development opportunities tailored just for the legislative work environment. Leadership, civility, research and writing are just a few of the many topics covered this year. As always, there are sessions designed specifically for legislative staff.

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Explore New Legislative Services.

The Exhibit Hall features more than 200 exhibitors offering products and services tailored just for state governments.

Attend 'Setting the States' Agenda

At the annual business meeting, legislators and staff consider policy directives and resolutions that will guide NCSL's advocacy efforts before Congress and the administration.

Bonus! Great Return on Investment

Three days of exclusive programming, tailored for legislators and legislative staff, not available anywhere else!



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