

COCHISE COUNTY

**Board of Supervisors
Work Session
Committees and Memberships FY26**

July 15, 2025

Sharon Gilman
County Administrator



Public Programs...Personal Service

COCHISE COUNTY



**Annual Dues:
\$19,648,59**

The Arizona Association of Counties (AACo) is a non-profit organization that represents all of the county officials and the governments they serve.

- **Annual Salary and Benefit Survey** of all counties by position – utilized in our market compensation studies.
- **Cathy Traywick** – serves on Board of Directors; **Jacqui Clay** – serves on Legislative Policy Committee and represents School Superintendents on Board of Directors.



AACo in partnership with Nationwide Retirement Solutions (NRS) provides county employees with a Section 457 Deferred Compensation Program.



Partner with Public Surplus to provide large discounts for county members when it comes to selling surplus goods in an online auction

**AACO Annual Conference – Dec 10-12, 2025,
Sheraton Wrigleyville, Mesa, AZ**



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**Annual Dues:
\$2,506**

The National Association of Counties (NACo) represents the interests of America's counties, serving as a powerful voice in federal policymaking and a vital part of our nation's intergovernmental system. With a membership of thousands of county elected and professional officials, NACo brings together leaders from across the country to shape national policies, share best practices and strengthen counties for a stronger America.

Webinars

- NACo Legislative Update: What the Reconciliation Package Means for Counties
July 7, 2025
- Inside Washington: County Impacts from the White House & Congress
July 24, 2025
- Supreme Court Review for Local Governments: 2024-2025
July 28, 2025

FY 26 Conferences:

- Legislative Conference, Feb 21-24, 2026, Washington, DC
- Western Interstate Region Conference, May 5-8, 2026, Maui
- Annual Conference & Expo, July 17-20, New Orleans



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County supervisors provide regional leadership over critical policy areas, including policies necessary to ensure safe communities, protect public health, promote economic development, and plan and manage land use for sustainable development. County supervisors also provide important oversight of county operations, including overseeing strategies to promote sound fiscal management and to develop a high-quality county government workforce.

Annual Dues: \$116,108

All Supervisors are members

County Managers Association
dues: \$150.00

Upcoming Event:

Legislative Policy Summit,
Oct 28-30, Yuma



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The ECO mission is to plan and implement specific environmental programs impacting economic development in the Counties. Such programs include forest restoration, watershed restoration, energy, water, recreation, threatened and endangered species, infrastructures, public lands and natural resources planning.

Annual Dues: \$6,000

Current Rep: Kathleen Gomez



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Coalition of Arizona New Mexico Counties

Five counties in Arizona:

- Apache, Cochise, Gila, Graham and Navajo;

Eleven Counties in New Mexico:

- Catron, Chaves, Eddy, Harding, Hidalgo, Lea, Luna, McKinley, Roosevelt, Sierra and Socorro,

With strong support from the timber, livestock, mining, small business, farming, sportsman, trapping and outfitter industries, our representation currently exceeds 800,000 in population.

Annual Dues: \$2600

Current Rep: Frank Antenori



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An affiliation of Cochise County • Pima County • Santa Cruz County • Yuma County

The ABCC's mission is to advance economic development opportunities along the Arizona-Mexico border as well as identifying disproportionate fiscal cost transfers to the Border Counties.

No Annual Dues

Current Rep: Kathleen Gomez



COCHISE COUNTY



For more than two decades, Southeast Arizona Economic Development Group (SAEDG) has been dedicated to fostering economic growth and development in the southeast region of Arizona. Our mission is to improve the quality of life for residents by promoting sustainable economic activities, facilitating business expansion, and attracting new investments to the region.

Annual Dues: \$150

Current Rep: Frank Antenori



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The Arizona-Mexico Commission (AMC) is Arizona's premier cross-border nonprofit organization. Our mission is to improve the economic prosperity and quality of life for all Arizonans through strong, public/private collaborations in advocacy, trade, networking and information.

Annual Dues: \$250

Current Rep: Kathleen Gomez



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Arizona Town Hall is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that educates, engages, connects, and empowers Arizonans to solve critical policy issues. Founded in 1962, Arizona Town Hall is one of Arizona's most longstanding and trusted non-partisan sources for Arizona policy solutions.

Dues: \$100 per individual, per year.

Upcoming Events

Cross-Border Connecting: "Mental Health and Workforce Development"

Monday, July 14, 2025 4:00 PM

Online through Zoom

West Valley Community Town Hall on "Building Arizona's Workforce"

Wednesday, August 27, 2025 9:00 AM

West-MEC Central Campus, Demo Lab, 6997 N Glen Harbor Blvd, Glendale,
AZ 85307



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Current Rep: Frank Antenori

The County offers PSPRS and CORP benefits to public safety and corrections employees and is responsible for forming a local board to assist in the administration of plan provisions.

Local boards consist of five members who also appoint a secretary and a legal counsel. While formed at the employer level, these boards are legally entities separate from the employer and plan members.

These governing bodies determine the eligibility of prospective members, make decisions on disability and line of duty death benefit applications, and use discretion to consider return-to-work eligibility for retired plan members.

Local boards share fiduciary responsibilities with the PSPRS Board of Trustees, meaning they are legally and ethically required to act in the best interest of system members, beneficiaries and the plan itself.



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Southeastern Arizona Community Action Program -SEACAP

**Mission: To assist families in the movement,
transition, and achievement of
self-sufficiency.**

No Annual Dues

Current Rep: Frank Antenori

Board meetings in Safford



COCHISE COUNTY



**SouthEastern Arizona
Governments Organization**

SouthEastern Arizona Governments Organization (SEAGO) is a regional planning agency, otherwise known as a Council of Governments. SEAGO members include Cochise County, Benson, Bisbee, Douglas, Huachuca City, Sierra Vista, Tombstone, Willcox, Graham County, Pima, Safford, Thatcher, Greenlee County, Clifton, Duncan, Santa Cruz County, Nogales, Patagonia, and the San Carlos Apache Tribe.

SEAGO receives approximately \$1,525,000 in federal highway construction and safety funds each year for the Transportation Improvement Program, or TIP. These funds are awarded to SEAGO members on a competitive basis, and once the SEAGO Executive Board approves a project, it is placed on the TIP. Use of these funds requires a 5.7 percent cash match from the recipient.

Annual Payment: \$12,202
Current Executive Committee
Member: Kathleen Gomez



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Sierra Vista MPO

The Sierra Vista Metropolitan Planning Organization (SVMPO) is the designated transportation organization for the southeastern Cochise County region. We are a policy and planning agency serving the City of Sierra Vista, the Town of Huachuca City and portions of urbanizing Cochise County, in partnership with the ADOT. We share information and build consensus among our three-member jurisdictions on regional transportation programs, plans and projects.

The SVMPO is governed by a **Board of Directors** that is made up of elected officials from its member jurisdictions, and a non-voting representative from the ADOT. This Board is responsible for directing the activities of the SVMPO and is the final decision maker on policy and distribution of regional funds.

Annual Estimate:

- **County Match: \$25,000**
- **minus in-kind for county staff work (approx. \$1500)**
- **plus \$1000 for Rural Transportation Advocacy Council (same for SEAGO)**

Current Board Member: Frank Antenori



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Since 1991, The HUACHUCA 50 has exclusively promoted the economic welfare of the Sierra Vista and Cochise County by supporting the continuing development of Fort Huachuca.

WHY DO THIS MISSION?

1. Maintain the positive social and economic environment in the Sierra Vista, area.
2. Keep jobs at Fort Huachuca to maintain a great quality of life.
3. Only private organizations with a sole focus on Fort Huachuca's continued presence.
4. Keep Fort Huachuca off the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) list.

Currently Tier 1 Partner with City of Sierra Vista; provide \$35,000 per year for lobbyist.

Current Rep: Frank Antenori



COCHISE COUNTY



The Association of Defense Communities (ADC) builds resilient communities that support America's military. We are the connection point for leaders from communities, states, the military and industry on community-military issues by enhancing knowledge, information sharing, and best practices. With nearly 300 communities, states, regions, and affiliated industry organizations, ADC represents every major defense community/state in the nation.

Annual Dues: \$450

Current Rep: Frank Antenori



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The mission of the CCRN is to implement a regional network of land and water management projects that result in a healthy watershed, flowing San Pedro River, conservation of water resources, and a vibrant local economy. CCRN was originally formed in 2015 by the City of Sierra Vista, Cochise County, Hereford Natural Resource Conservation District, and The Nature Conservancy. The City of Bisbee joined in 2016, Fort Huachuca joined in 2021, and the Bureau of Land Management joined in 2022.

**No Annual Dues, support through
Flood Control District projects.**
Current Rep: Tom Crosby



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A consortium of agencies and organizations working together to meet the long-term water needs of the Sierra Vista Subwatershed by achieving sustainable yield of the regional aquifer to:

1. Preserve the San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area; and
2. Ensure the long-term viability of Fort Huachuca.

Funding: \$10,000 through IGA with Sierra Vista

Executive Committee Member: Tom Crosby

Local Agencies

- Cochise County
- Hereford Natural Resource Conservation Districts (NRCD)
- City of Sierra Vista
- City of Bisbee
- Town of Huachuca City
- City of Tombstone

State Agencies

- Arizona State Land Department
- Arizona Dept. of Environmental Quality

Federal Agencies

- Fort Huachuca
- US Bureau of Land Management
- US Bureau of Reclamation
- US Geological Survey
- USDA Agricultural Research Service – Southwest Watershed Research Center
- National Park Service
- United States Forest Service

