Participate and Connect with Maryland County Leaders

The Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) annual Summer Conference brings together government stakeholders from every level. The 2019 theme is “Winds of Change” and will focus on the changes being seen at every level of government and constituent services and how counties are harnessing that momentum for the good of all Marylanders. From the digital revolution of service delivery and communication to the always evolving threats to public safety, county governments need to be on the cutting edge of these changing times to meet the needs of their residents. Topics will include transforming approaches to economic trends, climate change, land use, millennials in the workforce, and education, among many others.

You should participate if...

You’re an industry leader.
Prove it and become a resource.
Show you understand the needs of government officials and support their educational efforts. Be visible at the Tech Expo and establish your company as a resource for local governments.

You want to affect public policy on the local level.
MACo is the local level.
Attendees will participate in educational sessions, workgroups, meetings, and briefings that will affect county government practices and policy. Participate in these conversations, and make a difference.

You want to increase your business.
Our attendees are decision-makers.
MACo can help you reach over 2,000 of Maryland’s county leaders, legislators, State government officials, commercial and nonprofit representatives...all in one place.

You want the most bang per buck.
We offer benefits worth every penny.
All sponsors and exhibitors are promoted through an article on MACo’s blog, a featured link in MACo’s popular “6-Week Conference Countdown” email, a sponsor business listing in our mobile app, and signage, with more benefits as listed for each option.

About MACo
The Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) is a non-profit and non-partisan organization that serves Maryland’s counties by articulating the needs of local government to the Maryland General Assembly. The Association’s membership consists of county elected officials and representatives from Maryland’s 23 counties and Baltimore City.

MACo is the only organization serving the needs of county elected officials and governments across the state of Maryland.
**TECH EXPO DETAILS**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2019**

- 7:30 am - 10:00 am  Tech Expo Exhibit Set-Up
- 11:00 am - 4:00 pm  Tech Expo Exhibits Open
- Noon - 1:00 pm  Deep Dive Session Boxed Lunch
- 1:00 pm - 1:15 pm  Networking Break with Exhibitors
- 1:15 pm - 2:15 pm  Deep Dive Session
- 2:15 pm - 2:30 pm  Networking Break with Exhibitors
- 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm  Deep Dive Session
- 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm  Sponsored Snack Break and More Time to Browse Exhibits

Schedule is tentative and subject to change. Please check [www.mdcounties.org/MACoCon](http://www.mdcounties.org/MACoCon) for details and updates.

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**What is the Tech Expo?**

**5-hour exhibiting opportunity for an exclusive set of technology vendors.**

Vendors will receive a 6-foot table for a table-top display on Wednesday, August 14, 2019 from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm at the convention center in Ocean City.

**A one-day enhancement to MACo’s larger Summer Conference.**

The day will include 3 deep-dive sessions on technology topics that will attract local government officials, staff, and stakeholders most interested in experiencing the latest technology first-hand.

**Your opportunity to get exposure to MACo's Summer Conference attendees.**

There is no additional fee for full conference registrants to attend the Expo. Last year, hundreds of county elected and appointed officials and staff, along with legislators, State, and commercial representatives attended the Expo—this year, the crowd is sure to be even bigger.

**$300 Exhibiting Opportunity**

That’s right - it’s only $300 to participate as a vendor in the Tech Expo tradeshow, but there are a limited number of spots available, so register today.

(FREE for vendors in our larger 2-day tradeshow: [www.mdcounties.org/SC19ExhibitorBrochure](http://www.mdcounties.org/SC19ExhibitorBrochure))

**Here’s the catch:** Vendors must bring technology that can be demonstrated to our attendees.

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**Tech Expo Floorplan**

- **Sponsor Booths:** 38, 37, 36, 35, 34, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43
- **Main Entrance**

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Become an Exhibitor.

[www.mdcounties.org/MACoCon](http://www.mdcounties.org/MACoCon)
SPONSORSHIPS

TECH EXPO LEAD SPONSOR (EXCLUSIVE)  $5,000

Take the lead, be ahead of the crowd!
- Give 5 minutes of welcoming remarks the Expo kick-off
- Logo prominently displayed on blog articles and emails about the MACo Tech Expo
- Logo on Wednesday lunch ticket (if confirmed by July 5)
- Solutions Showcase Session (a 30-minute opportunity to present to MACo’s conference attendees—limited availability)
- Complimentary exhibit booth in Exhibit Hall AB (a $1,500 value: up to 5 staff can participate in MACo’s larger 250-booth tradeshow on Thursday and Friday)
- Complimentary prime exhibit space at the Tech Expo Tradeshow
- Business listing in MACo’s conference mobile app
- Flyer included in the 1,000 conference registration packets
- Full page program ad in MACo’s printed program booklet
- Listed on sponsorship signage
- Verbal acknowledgement at the kick-off to the expo

TECH EXPO CO-SPONSOR  $3,000

Be a resource, show your support!
- Solutions Showcase Session (a 30-minute opportunity to present to MACo’s conference attendees—limited availability)
- Complimentary prime exhibit space at the Tech Expo Tradeshow
- Flyer included in the 1,000 conference registration packets
- Full page program ad in MACo’s printed program booklet
- 1 Full MACo Summer Conference Attendee Registration (a $505 value!)
- Listed on sponsorship signage
- Verbal acknowledgement at the kick-off to the expo

TECH EXPO CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR  $1,000

Visibility that will get you noticed!
- Half-page program ad in MACo’s printed program booklet
- Listed on sponsorship signage
- Verbal acknowledgement at the kick-off to the expo
- 1 Wednesday registration ($285 value)
- Table at Tech Expo Tradeshow – discounted price of $195 instead of $300

Become a Sponsor.

www.mdcounties.org/MACoCon
2019 MACo Tech Expo Sponsorship Application

Company Name
(as you would like it to appear on promotional signage and in the program)

Contact Name (print)

Address

City __________________________ State _________ Zip __________

Phone __________________________ Email __________________________

Company Description for Business Listing (to be used in printed program and in mobile app)

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(or attach description to this application)

SPONSORSHIP SELECTION

☐ Lead Sponsor—$5,000

☐ Co-Sponsor—$3,000

☐ Contributing Sponsor—$1,000

PAYMENT METHOD

Total Amount Due: $ __________

Check or Money Order payable to MACo. Visa & MasterCard Accepted (sorry, no American Express)

Please check appropriate box: ☐ Check ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard

Credit Card Number: __________________________ Expiration Date __________

Billing Address (Street, City, State, & Zip):

Print Cardholder Name: __________________________________________

Cardholder Signature: __________________________________________

MAIL OR FAX completed registration form with payment to:
MACo–Attn: Nicolette Querry
169 Conduit Street, Annapolis, MD 21401
FAX: 410.268.1775

Questions? nquerry@mdcounties.org
Phone: 410.269.0043

MACo reserves the right to decline any applicant who, in the opinion of the Association, is not in keeping with its mission and goals.

Sponsorships and advertisements from partisan and political groups and individuals are specifically prohibited.
MACo TECH EXPO TRADESHOW
APPLICATION AND CONTRACT FOR EXHIBIT SPACE
August 14, 2019 - Roland Powell Convention Center

Online Registration available at www.mdcounties.org/SC19TechExpoBoothRegistration

COMPANY INFORMATION

Company/Booth Name ____________________________________________________________
Contact Person ________________________________________________________________
Title ____________________________
Address _________________________________________________________________
City ____________________________ State ________ Zip ____________________________
Phone ____________________________ Fax ____________________________ Email ______________
Web Address _______________ ____________________________

Twitter Handle: ____________________________

Business Description (for the mobile app - If left blank, no listing will be in the app). Please feel free to email description to lvelasco@mdcounties.org:


Check here if you would like to use last year’s description ❑

Each booth space includes: one (1) six foot draped table, two (2) chairs, a trash container, and one (1) 110 electrical outlet up to 500 watts. Each individual booth fee also includes two (2) Wednesday Boxed Lunch Tickets; (2) badges for booth staff.

Booth Cost
❑ Tech Expo Booth Only $300
❑ Tech Expo Booth Add-on: $0
(Must already be registered for MACo’s Conference Tradeshow on Aug 16-17 to select “Add-on” option)

Location Preference

Use the enclosed floor plan to select your preferred booth #

Booth # Preference (see pg 2):
1st _______ 2nd _______

DEMONSTRATION DESCRIPTION (All vendors MUST bring technology to demonstrate to attendees)

For promotion of the Expo. Please be brief and compelling—this is how the registrants will decide which booths to visit. Please feel free to email description to lvelasco@mdcounties.org:


Rules & Regulations

❑ I have read and understand the Exhibitor Rules & Regulations: www.mdcounties.org/TechExpoPolicies

Payment Information - Check, MasterCard/Visa (Sorry, no American Express), or Purchase Order accepted. Make checks payable to the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo), 169 Conduit St., Annapolis, MD 21401.

VISA/MasterCard ____________________________ Exp. Date ______________
Billing Address (if different from above) ____________________________
Name on Card ____________________________ Signature ____________________________

MACo Office Use Only

Date Deposit Paid ____________________________ Check/Purchase Order Number ____________________________
Amount Paid ____________________________ Comments ____________________________
“The Summer Conference provides a great opportunity for BGE to take part in educational sessions and meetings regarding the most important issues facing our local governments. Last year’s conference was very valuable for building and maintaining relationships with key county and community leaders. As a leading partner of Maryland’s counties, BGE was pleased to be a Gold sponsor of last year’s conference.”

- BGE

“We look forward to attending the MACo Summer Conference every year. It is a great networking opportunity for companies looking to form business relationships and develop partnerships with Maryland counties. For Delta Dental, this is a sound investment, and a terrific chance to connect with county decision-makers.”

- Delta Dental

“MACo provides an excellent opportunity to have quality time with our long time customers in a terrific setting. It also gives us a chance to meet new County and City members and network with our peers.”

- Motorola Solutions, Inc.

"MACo provides valuable services to not only Maryland’s counties but its government agency partners as well. The Summer MACo conference is absolutely critical for networking and showcasing the programs of any organization."

- Office of Communications, Comptroller of Maryland

“Throughout the year we attend many conferences, and we are always certain the MACo Summer/Winter Conferences are first on our calendar because they are the most organized and well run. The conferences allow us to maintain existing relationships and provide excellent opportunities to develop new ones.”

- Nationwide Retirement Solutions

“QAI and DocPoint’s MACo experience started with getting registered by a team of true professionals that were able to assist throughout the process. Those who stopped by our table/booth were happy to be at the event and were looking forward to learning more about the sponsors. We are currently engaged with several opportunities for business that would not have happened without MACo.”

- DocPoint Solutions