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### Fairfield County, Ohio earns national achievement awards

**WASHINGTON** – Fairfield County, Ohio, has been recognized with a national Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties (NACo). The awards honor innovative, effective county government programs that enhance services for residents. NACo recognized Fairfield County for “Encouraging Environmental Stewardship” in the category of County Administration and Management.

Carri Brown, County Administrator, stated, “This affirmation is largely due to the extra measures implemented to safeguard a wellfield in Lancaster at the site of the new jail and public safety facility. In addition, the multiple efforts of the environmental stewardship program were a part of this recognition.”

NACo President Roy Charles Brooks said, “Counties seize opportunities to deliver services more efficiently and build stronger communities every day. Achievement Award-winning programs are examples for counties that are determined to enhance services for our residents.”

Nationally, awards are given in 18 different categories that reflect the vast, comprehensive services counties provide. The categories include children and youth, criminal justice, county administration, information technology, health, civic engagement and many more.

Started in 1970, NACo’s annual Achievement Awards program is designed to recognize county government innovations. Each nominee is judged on its own merits and not against other applications received.

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