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# Camden County Earns National Achievement Award for Saving \$300,000 in Insurance Costs

**WASHINGTON** – **Camden County, Georgia** has been recognized with an Achievement Award from the National Association of Counties (NACo). The awards honor innovative, effective county government programs that strengthen services for residents.

“I am excited about the announcement of Camden County’s latest National Achievement Award. Our employees work to implement best practices to provide excellent public service to the citizens of Camden County,” said County Administrator Steve Howard. “This accomplishment recognizes the efficient, effective, and forward-thinking professionals working in Camden County government and the work they do to save taxpayer dollars.”



This year, NACo recognized Camden County’s *Coordination of Benefits Update* in the category of Financial Management. After a review of the existing practices and policies, Camden County Human Resources staff updated the Coordination of Benefits (COB) protocol. Modifying the existing annual open enrollment process resulted in increased savings for the Employee Health Budget. Over \$300,000 in real savings to the citizens of Camden County have been identified since the start of this program in July 2018.

NACo 2020-2021 President Gary Moore said, “Over the past year, county officials and frontline employees have demonstrated bold, inspirational leadership. This year’s

Achievement Award winning programs illustrate the innovative ways counties build healthy, safe and vibrant communities across America.”

Nationally, awards are given in 18 different categories that reflect the vast, comprehensive services counties provide. The categories include children and youth, criminal justice and public safety, 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.

**About NACo:** The National Association of Counties (NACo) strengthens America’s counties, including nearly 40,000 county elected officials and 3.6 million county employees. Founded in 1935, NACo unites county officials to advocate for county government priorities in federal policymaking; promote exemplary county policies and practices; nurture leadership skills and expand knowledge networks; optimize county and taxpayer resources and cost savings; and enrich the public’s understanding of county government. Learn more at [www.naco.org](http://www.naco.org)

**About Camden County:** Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is “Georgia’s Coastal Community of Choice.” Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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