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Pasco County is honored with 4 National Achievement Awards

~~National Association of Counties (NACo) recognizes Pasco County's Achievements~~

PASCO COUNTY, FL ---- Pasco County is honored with four (4) National Association of Counties (NACo) 2017 Achievement Awards. Nationally, awards are given in 18 categories reflecting the vast, comprehensive services counties provide. The categories include children and youth, criminal justice, county administration, information technology, health, civic engagement and many more.

[Pasco County Government](#) received honors for projects that include:

- **Using Customer Data to Improve Performance**
- **Proactive Program Planning**
- **Degree Alternative Program**
- **Leadership Development Program** *(See page 2 for more details about each project.)*

Counties overcome complex challenges, provide essential services and constantly do more with less," said NACo President Bryan Desloge. "We applaud these Achievement Award-winning counties for outstanding efforts to improve residents' quality of life."

"We are honored that NACo is recognizing Pasco County with four National Achievement awards," said Dr. Marc Bellas, Organizational Performance Management Director. "This validates the work we have been doing to reinvent local government, as we push back against the way it's always been done and innovate everywhere possible. The goal is to more positively impact the lives of our citizens with more efficient and effective programs and services."

Started in 1970, NACo's annual Achievement Award Program is designed to recognize innovative county government programs. Each nominee is judged on its own merits and not against other applications received.

The awards will be handed out at the 2017 NACo Achievement Awards Luncheon on July 23, 2017 at NACo's Annual Conference and Exposition in Franklin County (Columbus), Ohio. NACo will list each award winner in the lunch program booklet and honor the Best in Category winners on stage.

2-2-2 NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

NACo is recognizing the following entries with National Achievement Awards:

- **“Proactive Voice of the Customer Model – Using Customer Data to Improve Performance” in the category of County Administration and Management.**
See program details at the following link: <http://bit.ly/2q7t6Dg>.
- **“Proactive Program Planning” in the category of County Administration and Management.**
See program details at the following link: <http://bit.ly/2qM5oZs>.
- **“Degree Alternative Program (DAP)” in the category of Personnel Management, Employment and Training.**
Program Description: <http://bit.ly/2p55wHd>
Curriculum List: <http://bit.ly/2q7K1FP>
- **“Leadership Development Program (LDP)” in the category of Personnel Management, Employment and Training.**
Program Description: <http://bit.ly/2p56cfJ>
Class Photos and Projects: <http://bit.ly/2pdSSRh>

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For more information about OPM, click on the following link: <http://bit.ly/2p4T2zh>.

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