U.S. House of Representatives
COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☐ *Original* ☒ *Amendment*

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and *file it with the Clerk of the House, by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov*, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please *do not* file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Connor Torossian
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ *OR* None ☒
   b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. **Dates:** Departure: June 27 Return: June 30
   b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ *OR* None ☒
4. Departure City: Washington D.C. Destination: Phoenix, AZ Return City: Washington D.C.
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: NACo
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended:
   learned about election admin, broadband, transportation policy, and more.
7. Attached to this form are *each* of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
   a. ☒ a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
   b. ☒ the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor *prior* to the trip, *including all* attachments *and* the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
   c. ☒ page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; *and*
   d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. ☒ I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.
   Signify statement is true by checking the box.
   b. If not, explain:

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: _____ **Date:** 07/13/2023

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Mary Molinaro **Date:** 7.13.23

Signature of Supervising Member: _____

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This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip *within ten days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: National Association of Counties (NACo)
2. Travel Destination(s): Sedona, Ariz.; Flagstaff, Ariz.
3. Date of Departure: June 27, 2023 Date of Return: June 30, 2023
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Allison Blankenship, Chloe Brown, Dorothy Clark, Israel Garcia, Lauren Gros, Lou Hrkman, Ryan Hofmann, Joshua Lobert, Amy Soenksen, Connor Torossian

   Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if ***all*** information is ***identical*** for each person listed.
5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total **Transportation** Expenses	Total **Lodging** Expenses	Total **Meal** Expenses	Total **Other** Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	$1,114.25	$533.52	$402.68	$575.50
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. ☒ All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. *Signify statement is true by checking box.*

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Matthew D. Chase Date: 07/13/2023

Name: Matthew D. Chase Title: CEO/Executive Director

Organization: National Association of Counties (NACo)

☒ *I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.*

Address: 660 North Capitol St. NW, Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20001

Email: mchase@naco.org Telephone: (202) 393-6226

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

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1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:
   National Association of Counties (NACo)
2. ☒ I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. *Check only one.* I represent that:
   a. ☒ The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip: OR
   b. ☐ The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds: OR
   c. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
   If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:
4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary):
   Please find attached
5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: June 27, 2023 Date of return: June 30, 2023
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C
   b. Destination(s): Sedona, Ariz.; Flagstaff, Ariz.
   c. City of return: Washington, D.C.
8. *Check only one.* I represent that:
   a. ☐ The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: OR
   b. ☒ The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: OR
   c. ☐ The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. *Check only one of the following*:
   a. ☒ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; OR
   b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; OR
   c. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; OR
   d. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

10. [■] Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. *Check only one of the following*:
    a. [■] I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box;* **OR**
    b. [ ] *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For ***each*** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip ***and*** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
    NACo is a 501(c)(4) nonprofit that is the only national organization that represents the nation's 3,069 counties, parishes and boroughs. NACo works to advance county priorities in federal policymaking and enrich the public's understanding of county government. NACo is responsible for recruiting, coordinating and executing this trip.

13. *Answer parts a and b.* ***Answer part c if necessary***:
    a. Mode of travel: Air [■] Rail [ ] Bus [■] Car [ ] Other [ ] (specify: _____)
    b. Class of travel: Coach [■] Business [ ] First [ ] Charter [■] Other [ ] (specify: Charter Bus)
    c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. [■] I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

15. *Check only one.* I represent that either:
    a. [ ] The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
    b. [■] The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation.
    If "b" is checked:
    1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided):
    Tuesday: $119.43; Wednesday: $133.13; Thursday: $137.14; Friday: $37.60
    2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:
    Yavapai and Coconino Counties were selected because both have unique responsibilities and services as rural communities that they provide residents and visitors. Maricopa County was chosen due to its unique role in elections and because it's a major transportation hub in Arizona.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
    Hotel Name: Poco Diablo Resort City: Sedona, Ariz. Cost Per Night: $226.66
    Reason(s) for Selecting: Within close proximity to programming and offered rate below GSA per diem (pre-tax)
    Hotel Name: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Flagstaff City: Flagstaff, Ariz. Cost Per Night: $153.43
    Reason(s) for Selecting: Within close proximity to programming and offered rate below GSA per diem (pre-tax)
    Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
    Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. [■] I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

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18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

☐ Actual Amounts ☒ Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	$1,074.70	$533.52	$427.30
For each Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	$476.72	Please find attached
For each Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A

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19. ***Check only one:***
    a. ☒ I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; OR
    b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.
20. I certify by my signature that
    a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
    b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
    c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Matthew D. Chase Date: 07/13/2023

Name: Matthew D. Chase Title: CEO/Executive Director

Organization: National Association of Counties (NACo)

Address: 660 North Capitol St. NW, Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20001

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INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the agenda, invitation list, any attachments, and any *Additional Trip Sponsor Forms* directly to the Travelers.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

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TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. **This form and any attachments may be delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth or e-mailed to** travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.

Name of Traveler: Connor Torossian

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I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Marc Molinaro

Office Address: 1207 Longworth

Telephone Number: 202-225-5441

Email Address of Contact Person: Connor.torossian@mail.house.gov

☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, *and* these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Connor Torossian

2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:
National Association of Counties (NACo)

3. City and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: Sedona and Flagstaff Arizona

4. a. Date of Departure: 6/27/23 Date of Return: 6/30/23
   b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
   If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____

5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
   (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
   (2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
   (3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:

6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
   b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

   NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
   As Legislative Director and responsible for state and local issues, this trip will be a great way to learn about what county governments are doing to improve legislative areas that I handle including elections, natural resources, and more.

9. **Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**

10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member _____ Date 05/15/2023

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   If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:
4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary):
   Please find attached
5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: June 27, 2023 Date of return: June 30, 2023
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C
   b. Destination(s): Maricopa County, Ariz.; Yavapai County, Ariz.; Coconino County, Ariz.
   c. City of return: Washington, D.C.
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a. Mode of travel: Air [x] Rail [ ] Bus [x] Car [ ] Other [ ] (specify: _____)
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    a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
    b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
    c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Matt Chase Digitally signed by Matt Chase Date: 2023.05.09 09:06:37 -04'00' Date: 05/15/2023

Name: Matthew D. Chase Title: CEO/Executive Director

Organization: National Association of Counties (NACo)

Address: 660 North Capitol St. NW, Suite 400, Washington, D.C. 20001

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June 15, 2023

Mr. Connor Torossian
Office of the Honorable Marcus J. Molinaro
1207 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Torossian:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Sedona and Flagstaff, Arizona, scheduled for June 27 to 30, 2023, sponsored by National Association of Counties.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than $480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Susan Wild
Ranking Member

MG/SW:mc

National Association of Counties

2023 FEDERAL FELLOWSHIP INITIATIVE

MARICOPA/YAVAPAI/COCONINO COUNTY, ARIZ. | JUNE 27-30, 2023

TUESDAY, JUNE 27 – ARRIVAL & MARICOPA/YAVAPAI COUNTY

7:26 AM – 9:17 AM — **FLIGHT FROM DCA TO PHX (AMERICAN AIRLINES, FLIGHT NO. 713)**

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10:00 AM – 11:45AM — **TOUR OF MARICOPA COUNTY TABULATION AND ELECTION CENTER**

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- The cost of renting rooms at hotels/event venues for meetings and meals

All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) Rental: $215.92 per person

- The cost of renting all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) for tour of public lands and forests in Yavapai County, Ariz., including vehicles, gas, helmets, googles, coolers with water bottles and ice, map/GPS tablets and tips. ATVs are necessary due to the educational role they will play in demonstrating the impact of off highway vehicles (OHVs) and recreation tourism on public lands management. It will also help reduce travel time across Coconino National Forest to incorporate more content into the trip.

Catering Services Fees: $117.68 per person

- The cost of service fees for meal set up and attendants.

Audio/Video Costs: $2.42 per person

- The cost of wi-fi and audio/visual components for breakfast briefings.

Printing, Shipping, Daily Refreshments and Tips: $100.00 per person

LIST OF INVITEES

National Association of Counties (NACo)
2023 Federal Fellowship Program – Maricopa, Yavapai and Coconino Counties, Ariz.
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The National Association of Counties (NACo) is a 501(c)(4) national nonprofit that was formed in 1935 to serve and strengthen America's counties. As an association of public elected officials, NACo is not a specific interest group but a major partner in our nation's Federalism system of intergovernmental entities. The participants listed below play a critical role in this system, working for elected officials, congressional committees and federal agencies that appropriate funds or develop federal policy and regulations that affect counties. For many of these individuals, this trip will complement NACo's inaugural site visit to Miami-Dade County, Fla. in 2022 by showcasing the critical programs and services that rural counties provide to our residents. For others, this trip will serve as the first opportunity to enhance their understanding of county government by witnessing the role they play in their residents' lives every day.

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