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Welcome to Kansas City, the Heartland of America.

Kansas City was the trailhead for the California, Oregon and Santa Fe trails. From here, thousands of people embarked on a journey into the frontier. Some ventured out to secure greater freedom, others pursued economic prosperity, and many were in search of a better life for themselves and the next generation. Those early pioneers had the courage to dream of a better life and they saw the frontier not as it was, but as it could be. Those same attributes also are required of today’s state leaders.

Our nation’s 33rd president, Harry S. Truman, also called Kansas City home. His “give ‘em hell” attitude and his “buck stops here” philosophy of accountability shine bright as examples of great leadership. He also was someone who knew something about making tough decisions. He recognized the State of Israel, integrated the armed forces, dropped the atomic bomb on Japan to hasten the end of World War II, and signed the charter creating the United Nations. While Truman is now regarded as one of our best presidents, when he left office his popularity stood at less than 30 percent. There is much to be learned from Truman’s legacy and no place better to do it than his beloved Kansas City. We will have the benefit of hearing from the two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Truman*, presidential historian, David McCullough, during this conference.

The adage “knowledge is power” has never been more true than it is today. Never before has data and information been so plentiful or so easily accessible. People and institutions that find ways to analyze and broker that data are increasingly valued for that skill. We are excited to hear from Nate Silver at this conference. He has demonstrated a remarkable ability to synthesize data and use that data predictively. Most public servants are interested in what the future holds. Nate Silver will help us learn how to use the data we have today to better understand and predict what lies ahead.

This conference also gives us a chance to congratulate this year’s class of CSG Henry Toll Fellows. These distinguished leaders convened in Lexington, Ky., home of CSG’s National Headquarters, last month to participate in CSG’s premiere leadership development program. They represent leaders of considerable accomplishment and unlimited potential. We are pleased to honor them.

During our time together in Kansas City, we will have opportunities to learn from each other and pursue our vision for better states. The Council of State Governments champions excellence in state government. We hope you emerge from this meeting better prepared to address the challenges facing your state by continuing to lead with courage and vision.

Missouri is known as the Show Me State. This conference will show how state government can work smarter, better and more effectively to address the challenges facing our states. We look forward to showing you a great time while you are here.
THURSDAY, SEPT. 19

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1:30–2 p.m.

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8–9:20 a.m.
Sponsored by the CSG International Committee

CSG FIELD STUDY: KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT GREEN IMPACT ZONE SMART GRID DEMONSTRATION
9–11 a.m.
Kansas City Power and Light
Sponsored by the CSG Energy and Environment Public Policy Committee
Pre-registration required; buses depart promptly at 8:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21

GENERAL SESSION BREAKFAST: THE EVOLVING STATE-FEDERAL HEALTH CARE RELATIONSHIP
8–9:30 a.m.

KEYNOTE: Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
The 2013 Toll Fellows Graduation Ceremony will immediately follow the keynote address

NATE SILVER BOOK SIGNING
2–2:30 p.m.
Books will be available for purchase beginning at 9:30 a.m at the Rainy Day Books table.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 22

ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AFTER THE RECESSION
8–11 a.m.
Sponsored by the CSG Fiscal & Economic Public Policy Committee

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

PUSHING THE ENVELOPE THROUGH HEALTH INNOVATION
9–11 a.m.
University of Kansas Cancer Center
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CSG INNOVATION CLASSROOM: PUTTING MAPS INTO YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA
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Presented by Esri, Inc.

STATE AUTHORIZATION RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT
2–4 p.m.

CSG SPECIAL POLICY SESSION: POLICIES TO ACHIEVE SAFER SCHOOLS
2:30–5 p.m.
Sponsored by the CSG Education and Health Public Policy Committees

CSG INNOVATION CLASSROOM: SUNSHINE FROM THE CLOUD—APPLYING CLOUD TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE OPENNESS OF GOVERNMENT WHILE REDUCING COSTS
11 a.m.–Noon
Presented by HP

SOCIAL MEDIA BOOT CAMP: TWITTER 101
11:30–Noon

GENERAL SESSION LUNCHEON: THE NUMBERS GAME
Noon–2 p.m.

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FOCUS ON FEDERALISM: A HEARING OF THE CSG FEDERALISM TASK FORCE
2:30–5:30 p.m.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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Author of Truman, John Adams and 1776

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18

REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN
12:30–5:30 p.m. | Century Foyer, Ballroom Level

CSG POLICY ACADEMIES
2 p.m.–5:30 p.m.
(all policy academy sessions are by invitation only)

» Reducing the Bill for Chronic Disease
Century A, Ballroom Level
Three out of every four dollars spent for health care is spent on chronic diseases. For state budgets, the drain is even greater—Medicaid spends 83 cents of every dollar on chronic diseases. This CSG Health Policy Academy will focus on chronic diseases, their burden to society and evidence-based strategies for prevention, identification and treatment. Whether it is heart disease, mental health, diabetes, Alzheimer’s disease or Hepatitis C, considerable research suggests we can do better for those with these often devastating diseases while also being better stewards of state budgets. State policy strategies will be presented to meet the dual goals of improving health outcomes and reducing health care spending.

» Digital Learning and STEM Initiatives
Liberty, Ballroom Level
In a time of continued economic stress, states are asked to increase efforts in public education. Digital learning offers a new direction for students, teachers and school districts. Opportunities exist to customize and personalize education so students receive the tools they need to engage in their instruction and become self-directed learners. Digital learning also opens the door to connect students across the state, region and nation with instructional content and practices they may not otherwise receive. This CSG Education Policy Academy will provide resources to ensure students are college- and career-ready. Attendees will engage with speakers on a variety of strategic policy examples and programmatic solutions. Speakers also will share best practices and innovations through both regional and national examples.

» Strategies for Fostering Entrepreneurship
Kauffman Foundation Conference Center
Presented in partnership with the Kauffman Foundation
The entrepreneurial spirit drives the economy forward, but bringing a new product or service to market can be a daunting prospect for innovators—from gaining access to capital to navigating the legal and regulatory landscape. State policies can hinder or foster that entrepreneurial spirit. This CSG Fiscal and Economic Policy Academy, in partnership with the Kauffman Foundation, will feature experts, practitioners and national thought leaders to explore state-based solutions for increased entrepreneurship. Attendees will hear about innovative policy strategies to overcome hindrances to homegrown entrepreneurs as speakers share best practices across the country.

Buses for this session will depart from the south side of Pershing in front of the Westin, leaving promptly at 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 19

REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN
7:30 a.m.–5 p.m. | Century Foyer, Ballroom Level

BREAKFAST BUFFET OPENS
7:30 a.m. | Century BC, Ballroom Level

RESULTS FIRST—COST-BENEFIT APPROACHES TO STATE POLICYMAKING
8 a.m.–Noon | Pershing West, Ballroom Level
Presented by The Pew Charitable Trusts and the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
Evaluating the performance of state programs has become more important than ever. Despite shrinking revenues, states are being bombarded with greater demand for services. Citizens not only want increased access to programs, but also expect these programs to be run efficiently. Measuring performance and using performance data to strategically place resources are key to implementing the accountable, transparent and results-focused governance policies that citizens demand. This half-day session will educate conference attendees on how “Results First” works and why using this approach to policy decision-making can lead to better, more efficient use of scarce state dollars.

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SUGGESTED STATE LEGISLATION PART I
8 a.m.–Noon | Pershing North, Ballroom Level

SOCIAL MEDIA BOOT CAMP: FACEBOOK 101
1:30–2 p.m. | Century Foyer, Ballroom Level

STATED APPROACHES TO OBESITY REDUCTION
2–4 p.m. | Century E, Ballroom Level

CSG LEADERSHIP COUNCIL
2–5 p.m. | Pershing East, Ballroom Level
(invitation only)

CSG SPECIAL POLICY SESSION: STATE APPROACHES TO OBESITY REDUCTION
2–5 p.m. | Century A, Ballroom Level

The United States has a “growing” problem—an ongoing obesity crisis in both the young and old. This session will offer a unique multidisciplinary approach to the problems. Panelists will explore elements of the policymaking process that led to obesity programs in various states. Speakers will discuss educational reforms, transportation developments, land use changes and food industry initiatives.

BUILDING TRUST THROUGH CIVIL DISCOURSE
2–5 p.m. | Liberty, Ballroom Level
Presented by the National Institute for Civil Discourse & CSG’s National Leadership Center

The National Institute for Civil Discourse has developed an active discovery process, “Building Trust through Civil Discourse,” designed to build a new set of skills and attitudes about civil engagement with a goal of improving personal and group productivity. This interactive workshop, facilitated by present and former legislators, has been piloted in Nebraska and Ohio. This is your chance to experience the workshop, as well as preview several other skill-building modules available to your state.

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Across the country, tuition costs are soaring, student debt is at a crisis level and college completion rates are shockingly low. In an increasingly globalized world, higher education remains essential for states and nations wishing to remain competitive. Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon and Brazilian Ambassador Mauro Vieira will discuss current challenges in education and highlight opportunities for international engagement in sharing best practices and resources for educating future generations.

**CSG FIELD STUDY:**
KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT GREEN IMPACT ZONE
SMART GRID DEMONSTRATION
9–11 a.m. | Kansas City Power and Light
Sponsored by the CSG Energy and Environment Public Policy Committee

Come join this fun and informative event where attendees will be able to visit and tour KCP&L’s state-of-the-art smart grid facility, which includes advanced generation, distribution and customer technologies. The site will demonstrate how co-located renewable energy sources, such as solar power, will feed into the grid that serves roughly 14,000 commercial and residential customers.

**PUSHER ENVELOPE THROUGH HEALTH INNOVATION**
9–11 a.m. | University of Kansas Cancer Center
Sponsored by the CSG Health Public Policy Committee

The explosion of innovation has the potential to change the face of medicine, improving lives along the way. Speakers will trace the path of new medications from discovery in the laboratory to successful commercialization by private-sector companies to life-saving treatment in health care settings. Panelists will discuss the role public policies can play to encourage, support and facilitate innovation.

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**CSG INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE**
9:30–11 a.m. | Pershing North, Ballroom Level
Sponsored by the CSG International Committee; Session will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m.

**PRESALE OF DAVID MCCULLOUGH’S BOOK, TRUMAN**
9:30 a.m.–Noon | Century Foyer, Ballroom Level
Rainy Day Books will hold a presale of David McCullough’s book, Truman, prior to the general session luncheon featuring the author as the keynote speaker. Preordered books may be picked up at this time. David McCullough will sign books purchased at the Rainy Day Books table immediately following the general session luncheon.

**TRANSPORTATION FUNDING & PERFORMANCE IN THE MAP-21 ERA**
9:30–11:30 a.m. | Pershing West, Ballroom Level
Sponsored by the CSG Transportation Public Policy Committee

The passage of MAP-21, the federal surface transportation authorization bill, in 2012 brought with it a host of policy changes but little in the way of long-term funding security for states trying to meet their growing infrastructure needs. Perhaps partially in reaction, an unprecedented number of states—including Missouri—explored new transportation revenue options in 2013. Bridge collapses in Washington state and Missouri brought into sharp focus what’s at stake in finding new funding to fix old facilities. This session will explore how Missouri is hoping to shape its transportation future, how a new emphasis on performance measurement under MAP-21 will impact states and how the state of the nation’s aging infrastructure makes it a critical time for transportation policy.

**CSG FINANCE COMMITTEE**
9:30–11:30 a.m. | Mission Room, Ballroom Level
Sponsored by the CSG Finance Committee

**INTRODUCTION TO THE CSG KNOWLEDGE CENTER**
11:30 a.m.–Noon | Century Foyer, Ballroom Level
The CSG Knowledge Center is an interactive policy tool and clearinghouse that puts years of policy knowledge and resources at your fingertips. Learn how to use this free tool to learn more about a specific issue or to browse CSG’s many policy documents. Whether looking for the latest policy briefs, reading the blog to stay up-to-date on issues important to you or seeking data on corrections costs for the past 20 years, CSG’s Knowledge Center is your one-stop policy resource.

**GENERAL SESSION LUNCHEON:**
LESSIONS IN LEADERSHIP
Noon–1:30 p.m. | Century BC, Ballroom Level
Keynote: David McCullough

David McCullough, author of Truman, John Adams and 1776, has been acclaimed as a “master of the art of narrative history.” He has twice won both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award; he’s also received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation’s highest civilian award. His work has been translated and published in 15 countries around the world. In addition to writing, McCullough has served as an editor, teacher, lecturer and familiar presence on public television as host of Smithsonian World and The American Experience, as well as narrator of numerous documentaries, including Ken Burns’ The Civil War. Born in Pittsburgh in 1933, McCullough graduated with honors in English literature from Yale University. His most recent book, The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris, is a No. 1 New York Times best-seller. He is working on a biography of the Wright brothers.

**STATE AUTHORIZATION RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT**
2–4 p.m. | Shawnee Room, Ballroom Level
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**SUGGESTED STATE LEGISLATION, PART II**
2:30–5 p.m. | Pershing North, Ballroom Level
Since the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in Newtown, Conn., Dec. 14, 2012, many state policymakers have asked critical questions about school safety and violence prevention. States convened task forces and debated various policy issues to keep students safe during the 2013 legislative sessions. This session will focus on evidence-based public policy reform in mental health, education and emergency response as a way to address these critical issues. Agenda topics will include mental health issues such as screening, early diagnosis and treatment, and violence prevention in schools.

CSG TOLL FELLOWS ALUMNI EVENT
2:30–5 p.m.
(invitation only)

CSG INNOVATION CLASSROOM: ASSURING CRITICAL SECURITY SERVICES—AN OPERATIONAL CYBERSECURITY APPROACH FOR STATE GOVERNMENTS
3–4 p.m. | Liberty Room, Ballroom Level
Presented by HP

Local economies and critical government services have become increasingly dependent on cyberspace. Accordingly, many state government agencies are poised to make significant cybersecurity investments in the near term. An Operational Cybersecurity Approach can help ensure states derive value beyond security from these investments. This session will focus on opportunities for new outcomes for critical services that can be derived from cybersecurity investments such as continuous monitoring, identity management and situational awareness.

CSG 21ST CENTURY FOUNDATION
4–5 p.m. | Pershing East, Ballroom Level
(Invitation only)

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5–6 p.m. | Mission Room, Ballroom Level

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6–8 p.m.

Constructed in 1914, Kansas City’s Union Station is unique. In its prime as a working train station, it accommodated tens of thousands of passengers every year. At its peak during World War II, an estimated 1 million travelers passed through the station. Today, this fully restored landmark is Kansas City’s most prominent destination for cultural and entertainment activities. It also draws tourists from all over the world who marvel at the Grand Hall’s 95-foot ceiling, three 3,500-pound chandeliers and the six-foot wide clock hanging in the station’s central arch. CSG attendees not only will be able to admire the station’s amazing architecture, but also will have access to Kansas City’s interactive science center, Science City, as well as National Geographic’s traveling exhibit, “Real Pirates.”

Walking Directions: From guest rooms, take the hallway to enter the main foyer. Follow the stairs or escalator down and turn left at the end of the hall. Walk through the double doors to the link. Remain on the link until you are inside Union Station. Follow the stairs or escalator down and through the hallway to enter the main foyer.

SGC LATE NIGHT RECEPTION
9 p.m. | Midnight | The Gallery
Join SGAC for a great networking event at The Gallery, located at 61 E. 14th Street in Kansas City. The Gallery is a 15-minute-walk, or a four-minute drive, from the Westin. Transportation will not be provided.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 22

REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN
7:30 a.m.–5 p.m. | Century East, Ballroom Level

BREAKFAST BUFFET OPENS
7:30 a.m. | Century BC, Ballroom Level

GENERAL SESSION BREAKFAST: THE EVOLVING STATE-FEDERAL HEALTH CARE RELATIONSHIP
8–9:30 a.m.

★ Keynote: Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act vastly impacted every aspect of health care marketplaces in the United States. Since March 2010 when President Barack Obama signed the ACA into law, states, health insurers, hospitals, doctors, patients and employers have raised a variety of questions in an effort to understand what is expected and how it will affect them. U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius has played a central role in the development and implementation of the law. Sebelius, a former Kansas governor, will discuss the role of states in health care reform implementation and next steps they’ll need to take.

CSG NATIONAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
9:30–10:30 a.m. | Shawnee Room, Ballroom Level
(Open to Committee members only)

CSG PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS
9:30–11:30 a.m.

★ Grid Reliability—Regulatory Challenges and Technology Opportunities
Century A, Ballroom Level
Sponsored by the CSG Energy & Environment Public Policy Committee

A host of market forces has raised concerns about the uncertain future for the nation’s electric grid. Growing renewable energy capacity and energy efficiency improvements, combined with smart grid capabilities, however, can provide new options that can improve resiliency, reliability and financial incentives with distributed generation technologies. This session will feature energy and grid experts who will share their expertise from a federal, regional, private sector and academic perspective and explore these complex issues before policymakers. They also will discuss states’ roles in meeting future challenges and opportunities facing the nation’s transmission and distribution system.

★ Education Reform and Transformation: Fact or Fiction?
Pershing North and South, Ballroom Level
Sponsored by the CSG Education Public Policy Committee

Overhauling education, reform, transformation … what do the words really mean to state policymakers? This session will address investments in qualified personnel, effective programs, increased expectations and strategies to build job competencies and support economic development. Learn how to develop transformative policy that is aligned, scalable, sustainable and provides the financial resources for implementation with fidelity.

PRESALE OF NATE SILVER’S BOOK, THE SIGNAL AND THE NOISE
9:30 a.m.–Noon | Century Foyer, Ballroom Level

Rainy Day Books will hold a presale of Nate Silver’s book, The Signal and The Noise, prior to the general session luncheon featuring the author as the keynote speaker. Preordered books may be picked up at this time. Nate Silver will sign books purchased at the Rainy Day Books table immediately following the general session luncheon.
FiveThirtyEight.com, a political website, where he started or why you would want to limit yourself to just 140 characters? This session will introduce the basic features of Twitter and provide an opportunity to have your questions answered. The hands-on experience will help you work with your own account if you have one or help you create an online presence if you have not yet joined.

GENERALS SESSION LUNCHEON: THE NUMBERS GAME
Noon–2 p.m.  | Century BC, Ballroom Level

Keynote: Nate Silver, Founder, FiveThirtyEight.com; Author of The Signal and The Noise

New York Magazine has called Nate Silver a “spreadsheet psychic” and “number-crunching prodigy.” While Silver comes out of the world of baseball statistics, he turned his predictive abilities and forecasting models to the 2008 elections. He gained national attention when he correctly predicted the results of the presidential primaries and the presidential winner in 49 states that year. Today, Silver runs the award-winning political website, FiveThirtyEight.com, where he publishes a running forecast of current elections and hot-button issues. FiveThirtyEight.com has made Silver the public face of statistical analysis and political forecasting.

2013 Toll Fellows Graduation Ceremony will immediately follow keynote address

REGIONAL RECEPTIONS
5:30–6:30 p.m.

» CSG’s Eastern Regional Conference
Pershing East, Ballroom Level

» CSG’s Midwestern Legislative Conference
Shawnee Room, Ballroom Level

» CSG’s Southern Legislative Conference
Pershing West, Ballroom Level

» CSG West
Mission Room, Ballroom Level

RECEPTION AT THE 82ND KANSAS CITY PLAZA ART FAIR
6–10 p.m.

Each autumn, the streets of Kansas City’s Country Club Plaza are transformed into a beautiful outdoor art gallery. Artists from across the country will come together to display their fabulous artwork and attract countless art enthusiasts. The Plaza Art Fair features 240 artists, 27 plaza restaurants, three live music stages and the Kemper Street Museum. Join us for a relaxed evening at the CSG-sponsored tent or venture out into the fair for a unique and unforgettable experience!

Buses will leave from the south side of Pershing in front of the Westin and will run continuously from 6 to 10 p.m. The last bus will leave the fair promptly at 10 p.m. Attendees choosing to stay past 10 p.m. will be responsible for their own transportation back to the Westin.

Heavy hors d’oeuvres will be served. Dress for this event is casual.

REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK OPEN
7:30 a.m.–Noon  | Century Foyer, Ballroom Level

BREAKFAST BUFFET OPENS
7:30 a.m.  | Century BC, Ballroom Level

CSG INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
8–9:30 a.m.  | Pershing East, Ballroom Level

CSG INTERBRANCH AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
8–9:30 a.m.  | Pershing East, Ballroom Level

ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AFTER THE RECESSION
8–11 a.m.  | Liberty, Ballroom Level

A panel of state legislators, executive branch officials and economic development practitioners will discuss a new CSG publication on the use of tax and financial incentives by states. Speakers will discuss recent fiscal and economic trends in the states and highlight case studies in differing state approaches to economic development.

BREAK
11–11:30 a.m.

ALL ATTENDEE LUNCHEON
11:30 a.m.–2 p.m.  | Century BC, Ballroom Level
CSG MISSION
Established in 1933, The Council of State Governments is the only organization that takes state government to the next level by creating a multibranch, nonpartisan community. Because of this community, we are able to identify and share best practices and take on the critical challenges of the future in an unparalleled fashion. We do research, we create forums for innovation and, through our community, we ensure the states continue to be recognized as the laboratories of democracy.

CSG OVERVIEW
Governors, legislators, justices, appointed officials and agency directors—our community is composed of officials from all three branches of government from every state and territory in the U.S. Several Canadian provinces also participate in the CSG community through affiliations with CSG’s regional offices. CSG’s expertise includes affiliate organizations with specialized knowledge. Government affairs professionals from Fortune 500 companies, professional associations and nonprofit groups participate in the community through the CSG Associates program.

CSG WASHINGTON, D.C., OFFICE
CSG’s Washington, D.C., office provides a voice for state leaders to Congress. The Washington office monitors federal developments and trends and evaluates the impact of federal activities, including U.S. Supreme Court decisions, on states. The CSG Washington office is well-positioned to create the kind of relationships that grow into partnerships between the states and the federal government.

CSG REGIONS
Regional by design, CSG is a national community with six offices across the U.S. The headquarters office is in Lexington, Ky., and the federal liaison office is located in Washington, D.C. Regional offices are located in Atlanta, Chicago, New York City and Sacramento. All CSG members have the opportunity to participate on two levels—regional and national. This structure invites focused participation from members on a more intimate, regional level and also provides a national community to exchange information and ideas.

CSG HEADQUARTERS
The national office in Lexington, Ky., is the epicenter for CSG’s mission to help make states stronger. The headquarters office provides policy analysis and tracks national issues facing state governments. The Lexington staff also manages CSG’s national meetings and programs. These national meetings convene state leaders, private sector partners and staff from every region to learn from guest speakers, network with colleagues and share solutions. CSG’s flagship publications, such as The Book of the States and Capitol Ideas magazine, are also produced at our national office. State leaders rely on these publications, as well as our many policy briefs and multimedia materials, to assist them in the challenge of governance. The national office is also home to other CSG national programs: the Henry Toll Fellowship Program, the Associates Program, 14 CSG Affiliate organizations, Suggested State Legislation and the National Center for Interstate Compacts.

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CSG’s Midwestern Legislative Conference—
69th Annual Meeting
July 13–16 | Omaha, Neb.

CSG’s Southern Legislative Conference—
68th Annual Meeting
July 26–30 | Little Rock, Ark.

CSG’s Eastern Regional Conference—
54th Annual Meeting
Aug. 3–6 | Baltimore, Md.

CSG National & CSG West
Annual Conference
Aug. 9–13 | Anchorage, Alaska