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# Connect City Hall to Capitol Hill to build a stronger partnership.

At the Congressional City Conference, taking place in Washington, DC from March 8th through the 12th, you will find a series of workshops, NLC University sessions, and committees designed to meet your needs as a local leader. A wide variety of targeted subject areas will be covered, including a focus on strengthening the relationship between local government and federal leaders.

Promoting partnership between officials at all levels of government is essential to a strong and vibrant society. For local communities to benefit most, city officials must recognize the power of advocacy and why positioning, ongoing dialogue and persistence can deliver substantive results. In a world where connections count, these bonds are among the most compelling that local leaders should be cultivating. Conference sessions focused on addressing these issues include:

- Workshop: Advocating for Hometown Priorities
- Workshop: That Other Branch of Government
- Workshop: Federal Agency Round Robin
- NLC University: Strengthening Families and Cities: Connecting Residents to Federal and State Benefits
- Policy Committee: Finance, Administration & Intergovernmental Relations

## Featured Session:

**Advocating for Hometown Priorities**
Effectively communicate with federal officials about policy issues, and give them a specific policy "ask" in your upcoming advocacy efforts. Understand what characteristics make a good constituent advocate, how to engage with federal legislators, and why local leaders are some of the best advocates for their communities. Use the information from this session in Washington and in hometown meetings with federal legislators to lobby for the issues that matter to you.

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