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Nassau County residents urged to take advantage of free prescription discount cards

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Nassau County officials are encouraging the public to take advantage of a free prescription discount card available to county residents regardless of age, income, or existing health coverage. The hassle-free card, available since 2008 through the county's membership in the National Association of Counties (NACo), has resulted in more than \$797,000 in savings for residents on their prescription drug costs.

"Nassau County launched the program to help our residents cope with the high price of prescriptions," said Nassau County Manager, Ted Selby. "With so many families struggling, we want to make sure everyone knows that these valuable discount cards are available at no cost to the consumer or taxpayer." The average savings per transaction is around 27%. Selby said county officials are hopeful that more Nassau County residents obtain a card and begin saving money today.

"Using the prescription discount card is easy," Selby said. "Simply present it at a participating pharmacy. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee and no restrictions or limits on frequency of use. Cardholders and their family members may use the card any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance."

The card can also be used for some pet medications.

The program is administered on behalf of the county and NACo by CVS Caremark. Residents can print their own card at: http://www.nacorx.org or can request a card to be mailed to them by calling toll free 1-877-321-2652. Cards are also available for pick up at most County offices including the County Manager's Office, the public libraries, the historic Courthouse located in downtown Fernandina Beach, and the Nassau County Judicial Annex located on Veteran's Way in Yulee.

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The National Association of Counties (NACo) is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States. Founded in 1935, NACo provides essential services to the nation's 3,068 counties. NACo advances issues with a unified voice before the federal government, improves the public's understanding of county government, assists counties in finding and sharing innovative solutions through education and research, and provides value-added services to save counties and taxpayers money. For more information about NACo, visit www.naco.org.