

State of the Counties 2020: Budgets, Ballots, and Public Health

Speaker Biographies

Kevin L. Boyce is the commissioner of Franklin County, Ohio. Before becoming commissioner, he served on the Columbus City Council, led a nonprofit dedicated to improving public schools, was appointed state treasurer of Ohio, worked as managing director of a New York-based investment banking firm, and served in the Ohio House of Representatives. He developed and implemented the Franklin County Building Futures construction trades program and established the New American Advisory Council under the Board of Commissioners and the Economic Inclusion Advisory Council. Boyce holds a master's degree in public administration.

Lionel Foster is senior communications manager for the Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. Before joining Urban, Foster was special assistant to the director of the Baltimore City Department of Planning and an opinion columnist with *Baltimore City Paper* and the *Baltimore Sun*. He founded the Baldwin Prize, a scholarship and essay competition for students at Baltimore City College High School that uses the literary arts to help young people learn how they want to show up in the world. For his work on behalf of urban communities, he was named a *Maryland Daily Record* 2011 VIP. After earning his bachelor's degree through Johns Hopkins University's Writing Seminars program, Foster earned master's degrees in social policy and planning and regional and urban planning studies at the London School of Economics, as well as a master's degree in creative and life writing at Goldsmiths College, University of London, during his tenure as a British Marshall Scholar.

Barry Glassman was elected seventh county executive of Harford County, Maryland, and his administration has since earned nine national awards for innovation from the National Association of Counties. He was elected to a second term in 2018. As county executive, he was appointed by Governor Larry Hogan to the Maryland Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors, and he serves on the Baltimore Metropolitan Council Board of Directors. He was elected president of the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) for 2019 and represented MACo in the Kirwan Commission's Formula Workgroup. Glassman's recent recognitions include an award for leadership from United Way of Central Maryland, induction into the Maryland State Firemen's Association Hall of Fame, and MACo's Marilyn J. Praisner Award for outstanding public service.

Kim Rueben is the Sol Price fellow and director of the State and Local Finance Initiative at the Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. Rueben is an expert on state and local public finance and the economics of education. Her work examines issues of state and local public finance and focuses on state budget and tax issues, intergovernmental relations, fiscal institutions, and the economics of education, including federal and state financing of both K-12 and postsecondary education and how such decisions affect different individuals across states. She serves on a council of economic advisers for the controller of the state of California and on a National Academy of Sciences panel on the economic and fiscal consequences of immigration. She was also on the DC Tax Revision Commission in 2013. Rueben received a bachelor's degree in applied math-economics from Brown University, a master's degree in economics from the London School of Economics, and a doctoral degree in economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Teryn Zmuda is the deputy chief innovation officer and chief economist for the National Association of Counties (NACo) County Innovations Lab. She leads the effort to promote NACo as a thought leader on top county issues and grounds the lab's policy research in high-quality data, while developing applicable research studies and reports. Zmuda oversees quantitative and qualitative research within the lab, produces economic analyses of counties, and leads collaboration in NACo's data-driven initiatives. She holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from the University of Maryland and a master's degree in applied economics from the George Washington University.