

Town Hall Meetings

How do I find a Town Hall Meeting in my area?

- Check the page below! The chart on the next page is incomplete, but may be a good starting point.
- Check your policymaker's website, Facebook page and Twitter feed to find out the date and location of any upcoming town hall meetings. For Members of Congress, go to www.house.gov or www.senate.gov and enter your ZIP code to be directed to the appropriate website.
- If no meeting information is listed on the website, call the policymaker's local office in your town/state. The phone number should be listed on their website.
- You can also check your local newspaper for announcements about upcoming town hall meetings, "office hours" or special events for constituents. Town hall meetings are often held on short notice and events are sometimes added to the schedule at the last minute. (Sometimes you can sign-up through a Member's website to receive e-newsletters and notices about the policymaker's meetings in your area.)
- Always register or RSVP (if instructed) and provide your name, address and phone number which will be used to verify that you are a constituent.

Be Prepared

- Visit your policymaker's website, Facebook page or Twitter feed and read the latest press releases, speeches, newsletters, and Tweets to find out where they stand on the issues they are currently following.
- Know your material. Prepare yourself with talking points, state fact sheets and other material that will be useful to fully understand the issue. Bring printed copies for the policymaker. Many materials can be found on the www.naccrra.org website under Public Policy. If you have any questions about these materials, or would like to review them in advance of the meeting, please contact NACCRRRA's Policy staff at info@CCAParentNetwork.org.
- Write down one or two brief questions that you would like to ask your policymaker. Focus on a specific subject (Federal background checks for child care providers) or piece of legislation (example: HR 81). Do not include long introductory statements in your questions. Just state your name and the town where you live.
- Practice asking your question(s) until you can ask it/them in 20 seconds or less.
- Get directions to the meeting and research nearby parking or public transportation options.

Day of the Town Hall Meeting

- Introduce yourself to the staff and offer your business card or other contact information (you may be asked to sign in).
- Ask if you need to sign up in advance to ask a question.
- Sit in the front of the audience. If microphones are set up in the aisle, sit as close to the aisle as possible so you can quickly get to the microphone when it is time to ask questions.

Follow Up

- Call, write or visit your policymaker to thank them for having the town hall meeting and schedule a follow up appointment to discuss next steps on your issue.

Upcoming Town Hall Meetings

STATE	DATE	START	END	LOCATION	ADDRESS	CITY
TX	07-Oct-11	3:30 PM	5:00 PM	Haby's Bakery	207 US Highway 90 East	Castroville
TX	08-Oct-11	12:00 PM	4:00 PM	Parman Branch Library	20735 Wilderness Oak	San Antonio
GA	18-Oct-11	7:00 PM	8:30 PM	Littleton Community Center	420 Civic Drive	Galt
TX	20-Oct-11	3:30 PM	5:30 PM	Pecos City Council Chamber	110 East 6th Street	Pecos
TX	20-Oct-11	6:00 PM		Pecos City Council Chambers	110 East 6th Street	Pecos
WI	29-Oct-11	9:00 AM		West Allis Public Library	7421 West National Avenue	West Allis
WI	29-Oct-11	1:00 PM		Hartford City Hall	109 North Main Street	Hartford
WI	30-Oct-11	1:00 PM		Cedarburg Police Department	W75 N444 Wauwatosa Road	Cedarburg
WI	05-Nov-11	9:00 AM		Johnson Creek Village Hall	125 Depot Street	Johnson Creek
WI	05-Nov-11	1:00 PM		Pewaukee City Hall	W240 N3065 Pewaukee Road	Pewaukee
WI	06-Nov-11	1:00 PM		Germantown Village Hall	N112 W17001 Mequon Road	Germantown
WI	19-Nov-11	9:00 AM		West Bend City Hall	1115 South Main Street	West Bend
WI	19-Nov-11	1:00 PM		Hartland Village Hall	210 Cottonwood Avenue	Hartland
WI	20-Nov-11	7:00 PM		Brookfield Public Safety Building	2100 North Calhoun Road	Brookfield
WI	21-Nov-11	7:00 PM		Delafield Town Hall	N14 W30782 Golf Road	Delafield