

District 2 Commissioner Kohler Earns the Certified County Commissioner Designation

Escambia County District 2 Commissioner Mike Kohler was presented with the Certified County Commissioner designation from the Institute for County Government at an award ceremony held at the Florida Association of Counties Annual Conference and Educational Exposition in Orange County, Fla., June 27-30.

The CCC designation is a voluntary program of study designed for county commissioners to learn information and enhance skills relevant to their duties and responsibilities as an elected official.

"I can't express how impressed I am with Florida Association of Counties Institute for County Government educational learning program," said Commissioner Kohler. "The volunteer program is available for commissioners to broaden their knowledge on local government and prepare them to serve their constituents with real-time knowledge on many pressing issues affecting everyday citizens. I want to be prepared to serve the folks of District 2 with all the latest information, and I intend on participating in the Advance County Commissioner Level 1 program next year."

The CCC educational program is an initiative comprising 45 hours of coursework. This program's curriculum encompasses a diverse range of courses, such as growth management, financial management, and ethics, as well as elective courses including affordable housing, emergency management and resiliency.

"Due to the voluntary nature of the CCC program, a commissioner who dedicates themselves and their time is making a profound commitment to their community," shared Eric Poole, the Executive Director of the Institute for County Government. "Their pursuit reflects their determination to challenging themselves to be the most effective public servant possible."

Alongside Commissioner Kohler, 20 commissioners earned the CCC designation at the FAC award ceremony. A total of 554 commissioners have graduated from the program since its inception in 1996.

The CCC program is made possible through a continuing partnership with the University of Florida/IFAS Extension, located in all 67 counties in the State of Florida.

To learn more about ICG and the CCC designation, please visit flicg.org.

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