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## Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department Earns National Achievement Award for Its OC Weddings Mobile App

**WASHINGTON –** The Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department has been recognized with an Achievement Award from the National Association of Counties (NACo). The awards honor innovative, effective county government programs that strengthen services for residents.

NACo recognized the department's "OC Weddings Mobile App", in the category of Information Technology. The mobile app allows customers to both complete their marriage license application and set an appointment for a civil marriage ceremony with the Clerk-Recorder Department, all from the convenience of their electronic/mobile devices.

"This is about making it convenient for our customers to access our services using the latest technologies, "Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen said. "In this new world of COVID-19, this mobile app has allowed us to continue serving the public in a safe and convenient manner. Customers now use their devices and not our kiosks - helping them keep their social distance and reduce exposure."

NACo President Mary Ann Borgeson said, "We are seeing firsthand now more than ever that counties work tirelessly to support our residents. This year's Achievement Award-winning programs showcase how counties build healthy, safe and vibrant communities across America."

Nationally, awards are given in 18 different categories that reflect the vast, comprehensive services counties provide. The categories include children and youth, criminal justice and public safety, county administration, information technology, health, civic engagement and many more.

Started in 1970, NACo's annual Achievement Awards program is designed to recognize county government innovations. Each nominee is judged on its own merits and not against other applications received.

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