



## **First Vice President Sallie Clark**

El Paso County, Colorado Commissioner Sallie Clark was elected First Vice President of the National Association of Counties (NACo) on July 14, 2014 at the NACo Annual Conference: County Solutions and Idea Marketplace in Orleans Parish, La.



Active in NACo since 2005, Clark is a longtime member and subcommittee vice chair of the Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee. She is also a member of the Financial Services Center Advisory Committee, Large Urban County Caucus Steering Committee and Cybersecurity Task Force. Previously, she served on the Veterans and Military Services Committee, Membership Committee and Arts and Culture Commission.

Clark believes in telling the story about the importance of counties. Key components include providing cost-effective services and working to reduce unfunded federal mandates.

El Paso County was hit by two massive and deadly wildfires in 2012 and 2013. Clark focuses her NACo leadership to collaborate with and educate other counties on the lessons her county has learned in the areas of emergency preparedness, response, recovery and communications.

Clark was elected to serve as an El Paso County Commissioner in 2004 and re-elected in 2008 and 2012. She has served as board chair and vice chair. She was the fourth woman to have been elected to the El Paso County Board of Commissioners and is the third woman to have served as board chair.

Clark has owned her own bed and breakfast business since 1986 and previously worked in the medical field.

An avid user of social media technologies, Clark has won numerous awards for excellence in public and community service and has served in many state and local leadership positions, including the Colorado Commission on Criminal and Justice, the Colorado Child Welfare Allocation Committee and co-chair of the Waldo Canyon Fire Recovery Group.

Clark and her husband, Welling, have been married since 1985. She enjoys hobbies such as cooking, hiking, biking, horseback riding, tennis, golf and reading.