Since its inception in 1978, NASTD has brought thousands of public and private sector IT professionals together to explore and learn about collaborative intrastate and interstate initiatives, innovative public/private sector partnerships and effective management techniques.

Through a combination of live events and robust online resources, NASTD fosters the active exchange of ideas and information and the development of invaluable relationships.

**Meetings and Events**

NASTD holds four Regional Seminars every year in addition to its Annual Conference and Technology Showcase.

- Each of NASTD’s four regions (Eastern, Midwestern, Southern and Western) hosts an annual seminar at rotating locations. Seminar agendas consist of relevant technology sessions and member state reports on key IT project initiatives and procurements. These meetings also offer many hours of scheduled networking time.

- The Annual Conference and Technology Showcase, NASTD’s premiere event, includes nationally recognized experts, key regulatory officials and other thought leaders in the field of IT management. The accompanying Technology Showcase facilitates the exchange of information among event attendees and exhibitors.

- Throughout the year, regional conference calls keep members connected and informed on news and issues affecting state government IT.
Online Resources and Electronic Communications

The NASTD member website serves as a virtual workspace for networking and collaboration. Members have direct access to a nationwide network of IT professionals and an extensive array of meaningful tools and resources.

- **Online Communities** allow for more focused interaction among members who share a particular interest or belong to the same committee or group. Each community includes a subset of related discussions, documents and other resources.

- **Discussion Forums** allow members to post and respond directly to questions. Discussion topics range from policy recommendations and procurement challenges to managing vendor relationships and solutions to state government technology challenges. The breadth and depth of discussions encompasses many areas of information technology.

- **The Resource Library** gives members access to seminar and conference presentations, white papers, policy and planning documents, as well as RFPs, RFIs and SLAs used by other states.

**Webinars** include online presentations, discussions and case studies from public and private sector IT professionals on the technology challenges state governments face, along with potential solutions. Most webinars are archived on the NASTD website for member access.

**Electronic Communications** received by all NASTD members include two information-packed newsletters. The monthly *Gateway* newsletter offers association news and updates. The weekly *eMonitor* newsletter summarizes regulatory and policy news affecting information technology at all levels of government.

"NASTD is the association that provides the best value and results for our state IT employees. The longevity and institutional knowledge of its members, as well as the technical depth of the topics covered are an exceptionally rare combination. South Dakota has used the NASTD organization as a forum to solve problems and collaborate on ideas for many years, and we will continue to partner for many more."

— Pat Snow
Chief Information Officer
South Dakota Bureau of Information and Telecommunications
Nebraska benefits greatly from the wealth of knowledge in other state and corporate members. As member states implement technology, that knowledge base becomes available to the NASTD community, facilitating invaluable communication and sharing between parties.

— Jayne Scofield
IT Administrator, Network Services
Nebraska Office of the CIO

State & State Associate Member Benefits
Through extensive networking and shared documents, data and experience, NASTD membership gives state IT professionals a significant advantage as they tackle the challenges of today’s technology world. Benefits include:

- opportunities to gain insight on next generation technologies and services, network with other state IT professionals, exchange information on best practices and develop relationships with key industry contacts
- access to members-only website content, including online communities, discussion forums, resource libraries and member directories/profiles
- three (3) complimentary registrations per member state to the regional seminar and the Annual Conference and Technology Showcase (not included at the associate level)
- discounted registration fees for NASTD events
- opportunities to serve in NASTD leadership positions
Corporate & Small Business Affiliate Member Benefits

Private sector technology organizations seeking business opportunities in the multi-billion dollar state government marketplace can join NASTD as a corporate or small business affiliate member. Benefits include:

- opportunities to put your organization in front of the state government technology marketplace, to meet and get to know key decision makers, and to learn about this market’s specific needs and requirements
- access to members-only website content
- discounted registration fees for NASTD events
- discounted exhibit space at the Technology Showcase held in conjunction with the Annual Conference
- opportunities for educational presentations at the Annual Conference
- access to regional seminar and annual conference presentations
  - listing in the NASTD online corporate affiliate member directory
- opportunities to participate in monthly corporate affiliate conference calls
Membership Categories
NASTD offers the following four membership categories. Each membership is held in the name of the dues paying entity, and membership benefits flow to designated individuals working for the entity. Each entity designates a primary member contact.

- **State Membership** is open to full-time employees of state agencies or departments having primary responsibility for the provision and/or management of the state’s technology resources.

- **State Associate Membership** is open to any governmental department, agency, board or public institution with responsibility for, or an executive interest in, information technology.

- **Corporate Affiliate Membership** is open to private sector companies in the business of providing technology equipment, facilities and/or services to the public sector and having more than fifteen (15) full-time employees or annual revenues exceeding $1 million.

- **Small Business Affiliate Membership** is open to private sector companies in the business of providing technology equipment, facilities and/or services to the public sector and having fifteen (15) or fewer full-time employees or annual revenues of $1 million or less. Small business affiliate members enjoy the same benefits as corporate affiliate members.

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Connect with colleagues.

Build valuable relationships.

Exchange knowledge and ideas.

Become a part of the NASTD community.

Visit our website, contact us directly or connect with us on social media to learn more about the benefits of membership.

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