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Educators, Policies Attempt to Increase Civic Education in States

Across the states, educators and policymakers are leading a growing movement to increase and improve civic education in public schools, colleges and universities. Surveys in recent years suggest that the public's faith in government has steadily declined, said Richard Greene, a senior fellow with The Council of State Governments, during a CSG eCademy webcast, "Creating Trust in Government Through Civics Education."

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Policies Make a Difference in Judging States as Good Retirement Choices

What's the best state for retirement? It's a popular question among baby boomers, who increasingly seek more livable communities that will allow them to age in place. How are states responding? Drawing from an AARP scorecard on state long-term services and supports, here's a look at the top states for retirement and aging.

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The Child Care Dilemma: Potential Solutions

There are multiple challenges to the question of child care in the states. Early childhood education can be viewed through multiple policy-area lenses, including workforce development, education, health care and economic development. What is at stake for families with young children needing child care? The final installment of a five-part series on child care as a public policy question, this CSG research brief highlights policy solutions to enable caregivers to work while sending their young children to child care.

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State tax incentives and programs can help encourage employment of people with disabilities in the private and nonprofit sectors. This FREE CSG eCademy webcast will discuss incentives and focus on entrepreneurship strategies for individuals with disabilities and state supports for established business owners with disabilities. This is the second webcast in a four-part series presented by the National Task Force on Workforce Development for People with Disabilities in partnership with the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy.

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Minimum Wage will Increase in Four States Thanks to Ballot Initiatives

On Election Day, voters in five states--Arizona, Colorado, Maine, South Dakota and Washington--weighed in on the minimum wage through ballot initiatives. All of the initiatives were approved except one: Voters in South Dakota rejected a measure that would roll back the minimum wage for workers under 18 from \$8.50 to \$7.50. That means that minimum wage earners in four states will see a raise in coming years.

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Major Transportation Ballot Measures Approved

Donald Trump's surprising win wasn't the only big story to emerge on Election Day. Voters also had the opportunity to weigh in on a number of important transportation-related ballot measures around the country. Here's a look at how they fared and an extensive collection of links where you can read more about those measures and the impacts of other election results.

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CSG Hosts Veterans Policy Academy in Los Angeles

CSG will host state policymakers at the Veteran to Civilian: Overcoming Challenges for a Successful Transition to the Workforce Policy Academy, Nov. 15-17 in Los Angeles. The policy academy will feature a panel discussion with representatives from the U. S. departments of Labor and Defense, as well as members of the private sector who are working to help transition military service members to the American workforce. The program also will include a visit to the Bob Hope Patriotic Hall, which houses services for L.A. County veterans.

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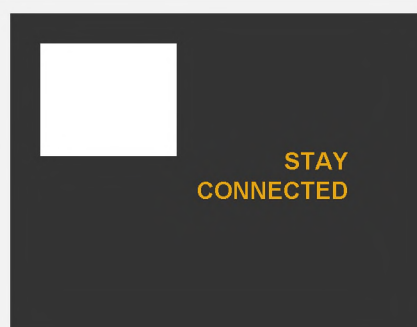
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