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Features

**[City CIOs Outline Busy Agenda](#)**

Local digital government blossoms despite fiscal uncertainties.

**[Big State CIOs Face Big Fiscal Problems](#)**

IT leaders from three largest states advise vendors on realities, opportunities.

[FEMA Funding Priorities Shift](#)

FEMA funding will emphasize emergency response planning and citizen preparation.

**[Wireless Security Report Card Gives San Francisco a "D"](#)**

Government scores lower than finance, retail, transportation and corporations in vendor's wireless security survey.

News

**[NASCIO Brief Highlights State IT Employee Recruitment and Retention](#)**

"State CIOs who begin to explore innovative recruitment and retention strategies, and work to change policies that may hinder certain efforts, will have a distinct advantage if their state happens to be hit with an IT worker shortage."

[Feds Make Limited Progress with ID Cards](#)

Additional OMB leadership needed to improve use of new federal employee identification cards.

**[New York City Congestion Pricing Plan Fails in Albany](#)**

"One thing that I've learned in government is that there's always a good reason to do nothing. But business -- and government, too -- both increasingly recognize that going green is the best -- indeed the only -- pro-growth strategy, not just for the long term, but in the short run as well."

[Governor O'Malley Signs Legislation Establishing Maryland State IT Department](#)

The new Department of Information Technology will coordinate, purchase and manage all telecommunications devices and systems utilized by state agencies.

[Alabama Gov. Riley Lauds Passage of Disclosure Bill](#)

"By passing this bill, the House is working to make government more open and accountable to taxpayers."

[Governor Encourages Illinoisans to Go Green, File Taxes Electronically](#)

Saves paper, increases processing efficiencies.

[E-Vote: Iowa Governor Signs Voter Machine Legislation](#)

"Greater access to the polls must coincide with complete confidence in Election Day practices and procedures."

[Office Open XML Receives Approval as an ISO/IEC International Standard](#)

"The input from technical experts, customers and governments around the world has greatly improved the Open XML specification and will make it even more useful to developers and customers."

[Tech Bills Signed in Washington State](#)

Related to electronically distributed learning; high-speed Internet; disclosure of wireless numbers; and online math curriculum.

[Telework Report Reveals One Foot on the Gas, One Foot on the Brake](#)

IT professionals in both sectors cited security as their top concern about telework, with 42 percent of federal IT professionals and 27 percent of private-sector IT professionals indicating that it is their most pressing challenge.

**[New York Awards \\$105 Million in Health IT Grants](#)**

"Electronic health records will begin to repair our fragmented delivery system by making sure that accurate patient information is quickly available so that we can improve health care quality and efficiency."

[Pennsylvania Creates Health Information Exchange](#)

Will provide the information technology architecture to support statewide interoperable electronic health records and electronic prescribing by sharing data that is captured at the point of care in a physician office or hospital.

[Ohio Standardizing, Redesigning Executive Branch Web Sites](#)

To create a degree of consistency and predictability among public-facing Web pages.

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**[License Plate Readers Help Police](#)**

Ride along as the Sacramento Police Department demonstrates its license-plate scanning system to GT's Jim McKay.



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More PCIO news...

**[Telework Helps Virginia and Arizona Recruit and Retain Employees](#)**

Government telework strategies also strengthen continuity of operations.

**[Muhammad Yunus to Receive 2008 James C. Morgan Global Humanitarian Award](#)**

Among 25 to be honored for applying technology to solve the most urgent issues facing humanity.

**[Congressional Hearing Simulcast in an Internet-based Virtual World](#)**

"Good Morning. I'd like to welcome everybody today to the first simulcast of a Congressional hearing in a virtual world. A recreation of this committee hearing room has been developed in Second Life and my avatar is there as well, in the virtual chairman's seat."

[Gartner CIO Survey Shows IT Budget Growth Remains Broadly Stable](#)

One in five CIOs experience IT budget cuts.

[Gartner Identifies Seven Grand Challenges Facing IT](#)

IT leaders must be more active in researching and identifying emerging technologies that will bring about benefits not realized today.

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