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Gloucester County's Information Technology Department received a 2014 Digital Counties Survey award from the Center for Digital Government (CDG) and the National Association of Counties (NACO). Gloucester placed 6th in counties in the less than 150,000 population category. The focus of this year's survey was evaluating the results achieved through the use of technology in the areas of cybersecurity, shared services, budget and cost control, mobility/mobile applications, disaster recovery, transparency, virtualization, broadband and connectivity, and governance. Gloucester County's Information Technology Department has been awarded this honor seven times.

"Congratulations to this year's winners for their dedication to public service and forging partnerships that proactively address rapidly changing citizen demands and expectations," said Center for Digital Government Executive Director Todd Sander. "Their ability to be continually innovative in an ever changing technology landscape is admirable and commendable."

"Counties across the country are using technology to enhance services, maximize efficiency and save money," said NACO Executive Director Matthew D. Chase. "The Digital Counties Survey recognizes counties' best practices and effective uses of technology to better serve their communities."

"The remarkable individuals that make up the Information Technology and GIS team for Gloucester County are the core reason that we have won this award seven times," said Scott Varner, Director of Information Technology and GIS. "Their dedication to the ever changing world of technology keeps us reaching for new efficiencies and using technology to cut costs where applicable. The first question each team members asks is; *is this right for Gloucester County?* The second question is; *will this save us money.*"

Gloucester County was one of five Virginia counties in the 150,000 or less population category and one of nine Virginia localities selected in all of the categories combined.