

SDASCOE BENEFITS

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NASCOE/SDASCOE is about our jobs and our benefits. The benefits are numerous! There really is something that each of us can take advantage of. It all starts with membership.....

Financial Services:

NASCOE has endorsed **Dillard Financial Solutions, Inc.** as the official NASCOE benefits provider. See the attached brochure with information regarding Dillard Financial Solutions, Inc. services offered to NASCOE members. They can be reached at **800-692-7643**. There is a link to Dillard Financial Solutions, Inc. on the NASCOE website.

JM Marketing will continue to service ALL existing policies and your FSA-444 will remain in place, unless canceled by the policy holder. JM Marketing can sell and service ALL NASCOE members. This agreement is on a yearly rollover basis. The JM Team will be happy to discuss any options you are interested in. You can contact them at **800-330-6223**.

AAA South Dakota Discount:

I informed the membership at State Convention time that the NASCOE Benefits Committee has been working on a discount for **AAA membership** for NASCOE members. I have been working with Carol Glantz in the Brookings AAA office. Unfortunately, in order to receive the discount, SDASCOE members would be required to go through the Brookings AAA Office. They would offer a \$15 discount applicable to a NEW Classic membership (which is currently \$70). **Is this a benefit that I should pursue?**

Cell Phone discounts:

- **AT&T** - offers discounts to all government employees. Verification of eligibility is done through your government email account. Start by visiting <https://www.wireless.att.com/businesscenter/>. On the top right hand side, enter your work email address where prompted. An email will be sent to you with directions on how to continue applying for your discount. Past discounts include: 15% discount on monthly bill, \$25 off web orders plus free shipping, and exclusive sales and deals.

- **Sprint** - State and local government employees are now eligible for a 15% service discount on both Sprint and Nextel devices. If you're a new customer, you can confirm eligibility and then get access to a private online store. If you're an existing customer, you can enroll an existing account into the discount program. The offer is subject to a new two-year agreement and verification that the line is eligible for discount under your employer's service agreement with Sprint. To verify eligibility go to the website: <http://now.sprint.com/save/>. To contact Sprint customer service, call 1-800-927-2199. Sprint also offers monthly service discount to employees, students and members of participating companies, universities, and organizations. Go to <http://mysprint.sprint.com/verify/> to confirm your discount. Sprint will confirm the discounts within three days once they receive your information.

- **Verizon Wireless** Employee Discount Program - offers federal employees a 15% discount on phones, calling plans and accessories. If you are beginning a new service you can apply after the first billing cycle. To check eligibility and to find more information: <http://www.verizonwireless.com/b2c/employee/elevLanding.jsp>.

Gas Station Discounts and Rewards Programs:

The NASCOE Members Only page has a **list of gas stations** that offer discounts and/or reward programs for NASCOE members. Discounts and rewards are subject to change, so please go the company's website for most current information. I do have one copy of that list with me if anyone would like to see it.

Computer Discounts:

I have had a few inquiries regarding a discount offered by HP or Dell. NASCOE no longer has a discount for Dell or HP. However, both companies offer federal employee discounts. You can find information regarding discounts offered by visiting their respective websites.

In order to take advantage of many (most) of the NASCOE/SDASCOE benefits, you must sign up for the "**Members Only**" Registration through the **NASCOE website**. Go to the Benefits page, and click on the Members Only Registration. Use your personal/home email, not your work email. This is the only way you'll receive some of the benefits such as the **Sam's Club discount and the Cell Phone discounts**. I cannot print the Sam's Club certificate or forward it to you. You must register for the Members Only page yourself. We can only receive the gift card when using the certificate for either joining or renewing your membership. The certificate expires January 31, 2015.

We are here to serve you, but we need your input. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions about current or possible benefits, feel free to contact me!

Membership has its Benefits!!

Jeanie Emmett,
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