

RENEW TODAY

As we ask you to renew your membership to ACEC Ohio, it's important for us to report to our members how the Council helped advance the business interests of engineering companies at both the state and national level. These are just a few of the Council's accomplishments over the past year. More information can be found online at www.acecohio.org.

ACEC OHIO MATTERS



"I'm a huge advocate for joining ACEC Ohio mainly because of the many benefits each firm gets in Ohio. Being on the Members Services committee allows me to lead the charge and bring light to all the ways firms and their staff can get involved from the chapter level to any number of statewide committees. I've met some great firms, listened to the issues they are concerned about, and helped bring those issues to the forefront which helps our industry." - **Jake Stremmel, HDR Inc.**

Message From Beth

The past year at ACEC Ohio showed steady progress in our strategic plan. The Board of Directors focused on several issues, but workforce development took center stage. Realizing ACEC Ohio must take an active interest in the attraction, education, development and retention of a talented workforce a workforce development committee was established in March 2023. The first step of the mission was to host a higher education interactive panel discussion at the ACEC Ohio Annual Meeting.

A first this year, we held partnering sessions with the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. In addition, we held a roundtable discussion with the newly formed Municipal Engineers Association of Ohio, focused on working together and pushing QBS.

From an advocacy standpoint, ACEC Ohio passed Senate Bill 56 the bill to bring fairness into public contracts by limiting indemnity provisions, the bill went into effect March 14, 2023. The PAC Trustees held the first DC Fly-In, successfully meeting with six Ohio Congressional members in DC and then members followed up at the ACEC Spring Convention meeting with nine additional Ohio Congressional Offices.

Thank you for your support of ACEC Ohio as we strive to be the leading authority that advocates, protects, and promotes Engineering Business in Ohio.

- **Beth Easterday, President ACEC Ohio**



PAC Kickoff Event with Representative Dontavious Jarrells



2023 EEA Grand Award Winner, Burgess & Niple

Influence & Advocacy at National Level

- Coalition to repeal R&D Tax Amortization
- Supported permitting reform in debt relief bill
- Ensure IIJA appropriations maintained
- Push for common sense immigration reform

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"My time with ACEC Ohio has been so valuable as I move forward with my career. I was in the 2019 Rising Leaders group. This program was the best mixture of training, professional development, and networking I have come across throughout my career. The subject matter experts brought to each session were truly experts in their field and provided a wealth of knowledge. The contacts I made have already paid off during my day-to-day efforts of project teaming." - **Gina Balsamo, Carpenter Marty Transportation**

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“ACEC Ohio has been an invaluable partner for our small firm, providing us with a wealth of resources and opportunities. Their commitment to supporting all firms, especially smaller ones like ours, has made a significant difference in our ability to thrive in a competitive industry. ACEC Ohio truly understands the unique challenges faced by smaller firms and goes above and beyond, enabling us to focus on delivering exceptional services to our clients. We are grateful for their unwavering support and dedication.” - **Nate Quicksall, W.E. Quicksall & Associates**

ACEC Ohio's year in numbers:

- 6 Board Meetings
- 43 Committee Meetings
- 10 Liaison Meetings w/ Executive Staff at state agencies (ODOT, OFCC, OTIC)
- 24 Chapter Meetings
- 4 Professional Forums (HR, IT, Marketing, Private Sector)
- 10 New Member Firms; 5 New Affiliate Members
- 1 Rising Leader Program completed by 20 participants
- 1 PSMJ Training
- 5 Regional Scholarships awarded & 1 CIWP Scholarship awarded
- 33 EEA submittals
- 1 EEA awards luncheon
- 1 Salary & Fringe Benefit Surveys
- 1 Member Survey
- 1 Annual Meeting
- 1 ODOT Partnering Conference
- 1 ODNR Partnering Session
- 1 OFCC Partnering Session
- 1 Partnering meeting with MEAO
- 1 Virtual Ethics Training
- 1 QBS Webinar
- 1 PAC Appreciation Event
- 1 PAC Kick Off Event
- 1 DC Fly-In
- 1 Meeting with Ohio Senate Leadership
- Numerous meetings with elected officials advocating for the Engineering Industry

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Consulting
Engineering Firms

Representing

9,000+

Employees

Networking



43 committee meetings

24 chapter meetings

10 new member firms

4 professional forums

Advocacy

354 Bills

were introduced in the 135th Ohio General Assembly



59 Bills

tracked pertaining to our members business needs



“Participating in the 2023 ACEC Ohio Annual Meeting session on the Workforce Development Panel gave me a better understanding of the Higher Education side of Workforce Development. Collaboration between ACEC members and various Ohio engineering, surveying, planning, architecture and construction management training programs will help provide the industry with the skilled personnel needed

to be successful in today's workplace. ACEC Ohio does a great job of bringing the right people to the table to have these discussions.” - **Laurie Adams, DGL Consulting**

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