Committees & Other Volunteer Opportunities

ABC Central Florida (ABC CF) invites you to give back to the industry and make the most of your ABC CF membership by volunteering to serve on a committee. The advantages of volunteering include the opportunity to broaden professional relationships, gain expertise, and improve leadership skills, thereby benefiting your employer as well as your own professional development.

ABC CF Committees

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Volunteer Opportunities

Class Instruction
Jobsite Tour Facilitator
Event support: registration/check-in, set-up/clean-up
NEXGEN Contributor
Volunteer for Events
Writing Articles for *Building Central Florida* magazine
EIC Judge Driver
Panel discussion participation

Peer Groups

Safety Forum
HR Peer Group
Young Professionals Group

Collegiate Outreach Committee

Purpose:
Provides mentorship, outreach, and support to the UCF and Seminole State College Student Chapters, as well as support for the National ABC Construction Management competition for both schools. The committee mentors their programming and recruitment efforts.

The Student Chapters are comprised of current students studying Civil Engineering and Construction Management, or students who have an interest in the commercial construction industry.

Committee Responsibilities:

- Assist Student Chapter members with preparation for National Competition
- Assist in finding speakers for Student Chapter meetings
- Assist with marketing and participating in the annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser
- Investigate scholarship programs available
- Oversee Student Chapter financials
- Ensure Student Chapter succession plan
- Serve as mentors to the Student Chapter members
- Investigate education & training opportunities for Student Chapter
- Mentor/tutor students with a GPA under 3.0

Projects:

- Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser
- National Competition
- Additional fundraising activities

Eligibility:

- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company or an Alumni
- Student members must be enrolled, registered, and taking courses at UCF or SSC
- Students are required to maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 and a major GPA of 3.0
- Students must be a paying member of either Student Chapter

Time Requirements:

- Approximately one hour per month for committee meetings
- Approximately one hour per month for committee assignments
- Meets 8-9 times per year.

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Excellence in Construction Awards Committee

Purpose:
Builds awareness of merit shop construction excellence through an annual awards competition for General Contractors and Subcontractors.

Committee Responsibilities:

- Produce annual competition for general contractors' and subcontractors' construction projects
- Develop additional recognition programs for members and member companies
- Network with area construction users, architects, engineers, building department officials, property managers, and owners to participate as judges
- Increase company participation in awards programs, banquet attendance, and magazine advertising
- Participate in driving a group of judges to tour projects
- Speaker within the awards program presentation and attend speaker rehearsals

Projects:

- EIC Awards – Eagle, Award of Merit, Honorable Mention
- General Contractor Project of the Year Award
- Subcontractor Project of the Year Award
- Free Enterprise Award
- All other Special Awards *(that are determined for the program year)*
- Excellence in Construction Awards Magazine
- Banquet Sponsorships + Ideas
- Script & Production of Awards Banquet Show

Eligibility:

- Must be employed by a current ABC CF contractor *(GC or subcontractor)* Member Company
- Company must have participated in the EIC Awards program
- First-time committee participants must attend one scheduled EIC Workshop within the year

Time Requirements:

- Approximately one hour per month for committee meeting
- Approximately one hour per month for committee assignments
- Speakers must attend three of the scheduled rehearsals
- Meets approximately 10 times per year.

Government Affairs Committee

Purpose:
Responsible for interviewing local, county, and state candidates to offer recommendations to the Political Action Committee (PAC). Responsibilities include issues advocacy for the association, supporting the Legislative Conference, and developing grassroots support for key legislative initiatives.

Goals/Objectives:

- Bring awareness to government officials of the size and power of ABC.
- Endorse and support candidates who support our values.
- Host seven or more lawmakers at chapter events and/or tours per year.
- Keep members informed of legislation that affects their business.
- Help introduce legislation through ABC of Florida that supports our agenda.
- Lobby the legislature on issues which affect the construction industry.
- Support State Legislative Conference.
- Develop grassroots support for key legislative issues.
    - Maintain scorecard records to track legislation and monitor lawmaker votes.
- Support annual Legislative Hobnob.
- Raise funds for Chapter PAC.
- Encourage all members to contribute to the National ABC PAC.
- Encourage all members to download and use the ABC Action app.
- Recommendations to PAC on distribution of funds to political candidates on behalf of ABC.

Eligibility:

- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company.
- Member Company or individual must have donated at least $150 to the Chapter PAC within the past year.

Time Requirements:

- Approximately one hour per month for committee meetings
- Approximately one hour per month for committee assignments
- Meets 8-9 times per year.

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Membership Development Committee

Purpose:
Builds a stronger Central Florida commercial construction community and association by promoting the organization, cultivating relationships through new member outreach and orientation programs, and engaging existing members at ABC CF events and activities.

Committee Responsibilities:

- Develop and oversee the strategic plan for ABC CF membership growth through recruitment and retention efforts
- Increase and maintain the active future member list to 100 contractor companies
- Maintain chapter membership of 67% contractors
- Encourage participation in and promote the Beam Club member recruiting recognition program
- Schedule, implement, and sponsor recruiting meetings for future members
- Assist in the strategic plan to meet or exceed the Board's goal for new member recruitment
- Develop a strategic plan to reach an 87% membership retention rate by March 31 annually
- Create and implement an action plan for the member retention program
- Contact every member company at least twice a year
- Schedule at least four Maximize Your Membership (member orientations) programs annually
- Welcome each member within 30 days of joining

Projects:

- Membership Blitz/Drive
- Future Member Events
- Model Member of the Quarter and Year

Eligibility:

- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company
- Recruit a minimum of two contractor members a year, per committee member
- Attend a minimum of one ABC CF event monthly

Time Requirements:

- Approximately one hour per month for committee meeting
- Approximately two hours per month for committee assignments
- Meets monthly

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Programs Committee

Purpose:
Develop programs that encourage owners, developers, and construction users in the Central Florida community to use merit shop contractors' services, specifically those of ABC CF members. Create opportunities to build relationships with owners, developers, and construction users in the Central Florida community by producing Builders' Breakfast meetings and other programs.

Committee Responsibilities:
- Schedule monthly meetings with owners, developers, or general contractors that provide new business opportunities for ABC CF members
- Promote participation at the monthly meetings
- Develop new events to network with architects, engineers, designers, owners, and developers
- Develop a list of influential construction users or community economic development groups

Projects:
- Monthly Builders' Breakfast meetings and luncheons
- Maintain Construction User/Owner list

Eligibility:
- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company
- Open to all ABC CF members with marketing and business development experience

Time Requirements:
- Approximately one hour per month for committee meetings
- Approximately one hour per month for research and development
- Attend monthly Builders' Breakfast meetings and programs

Regional Council

Purpose:
Strengthen ABC Central Florida's presence across Lake, Osceola, Seminole, and Volusia Counties by fostering community relationships, supporting workforce initiatives, and expanding member engagement. Using Lake County as the regional model, the task force will replicate successful strategies throughout neighboring counties. As regional ambassadors, members will connect industry leaders, educators, and community partners to advance ABC CF's mission and strategic goals.

Committee Responsibilities:

- Develop and execute a regional engagement strategy to elevate ABC CF visibility and influence.
- Maintain at least 67% regional member contractor representation.
- Engage new and existing members through personal outreach, regular check-ins, and active event participation.
- Create and implement a strategic plan to retain current members and recruit new ones across regional counties.
- Identify and build collaborative opportunities with chambers, EDCs, school districts, and other community partners.
- Support membership development through targeted outreach, introductions, and involvement in local events.
- Maintain a comprehensive regional prospect list of potential members and key partners.
- Coordinate and host a minimum of two regional networking or educational events annually**,** in each regional county, while promoting legislative protection, workforce development programs, regional commercial development, and community partnerships.

Projects:

- Regional ABC on Taps events such as **"Conversations and Connections"**
- **"Contractors & Connections"** lunch events
- Workforce Development Collaboration: Partner with regional K-12 and colleges to promote education, training, and careers in construction
- Local project spotlights or jobsite tours

Eligibility:

- Must be employed by a current ABC Central Florida member company
- Commit to active participation and representation within the regional counties
- Serve as a regional advocate for ABC CF legislative efforts, programs, workforce initiatives, and events
- Recruit a minimum of two new members annually
- Support a minimum of two regional chapter-wide events each year

Time Requirements:

- Approximately one hour per month for committee meetings
- Approximately 2 -3 hours per month for outreach, event participation, and follow-up activities

Safety Committee

Purpose:
Encourage and promote a safe working environment and promote a culture of health and safety for the betterment of the construction community.

Responsibilities:
- Raise awareness of existing unsafe actions
- Coordinate ABC safety management training programs
- Share member best practices and safety management tools
- Provide safety leadership that contributes to enhancing members' safety culture and awareness

Projects:
- Safety Champions Conference
- Safety Training
- Safety Awareness
- STEP Promotion
- Total Human Health Promotion

Eligibility:
- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company
- Promote participation from ABC CF members in ABC National's STEP and Total Human Health program
- Must participate in the National STEP program annually

Time Requirements:
- Approximately one hour per month for committee meetings
- Approximately one hour per month for committee assignments
- Meets 7-9 times per year.

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Special Events Committee

Purpose:
Builds community by producing networking and showcasing events that promote ABC CF members.

Professional networking events, which are scheduled before, during, and after office hours, allow ABC CF members to market products and services while developing key relationships and connecting with other professionals and business leaders.

Committee Responsibilities:

- Coordinate production of events
- Contact members to promote participation in events
- Assist at events with on-site coordination and production
- Day of event support, wearing an identification badge
- Market projects at ABC CF programs
- Develop new networking events
- Incorporate community and give-back initiatives
- Attend monthly committee meetings

Projects:

- Sporting Clay Shoot
- GC Connect
- Spring Golf Tournaments
- Legislative Hobnob
- Fall Golf Tournaments
- Construction Expo
- Chili Cook-Off

Eligibility:

- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company

Time Requirements:

- Approximately one hour per month for committee meeting
- Approximately one hour per month for committee assignments
- Meets 11 times per year

Training & Development Committee

Purpose:
Provides input and guidance for training programs in professional development, construction industry skills, soft skills, leadership skills, etc. Research timely topics, current challenges, and changes in the construction industry to develop programs that help members increase profitability through knowledge.

Committee Responsibilities:
- Research and develop topics and speaker ideas for relevant industry programs.
- Recruit program presenters and panel discussion participants.
- Develop and implement panel discussion group programs focused on current challenges and/or changes in the industry.
- Promote participation in scheduled programs.

Projects:
- Community Connections
- Current Topic Programs
- Construction Skills Programs
- People & Leadership Skills
- Business Development and Marketing Skills
- Project Management Program
- Operations Management Program

Eligibility:
- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company

Time Requirements:
- Approximately one hour per month for committee meetings
- Approximately two hours per month for research and development

Workforce Outreach Committee

Purpose:
Assists efforts with apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs, community workforce initiatives, and supports groups such as ACE Mentor, ACCA, ACT, iBuild CF, FEAT, PIPE, and United Way.

Create partnerships with organizations that offer construction training and organizations that promote careers in construction. Partnerships with schools, prisons, disadvantaged communities, etc.

Committee Responsibilities:
Develop, coordinate, and support outreach activities within the industry that help promote work in commercial construction.

Projects:
- Career Fair for Middle/High School Students
- Attend & assist events held by partnership organizations.
- Create new programs for schools, prisons, disadvantaged communities, etc.

Eligibility:
- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company

Time Requirements:
- Approximately one hour per month for committee meetings
- Approximately one hour per month for research and development

Young Professionals Committee

Purpose:
ABC CF Young Professionals program aims to shape the future of our industry by supporting the growth of young professionals employed by ABC member companies. The program creates opportunities for young leaders to build relationships, expand their skills, and advance their careers while continuing to promote open competition and the merit shop philosophy.

Committee Responsibilities:

- Regularly attend meetings and show commitment to the goals of the group
- Contribute skills, knowledge, and experience when appropriate
- Help to gather information to improve the program
- Collaborate with other members of the group
- Participate in decision-making and executing tasks
- Respect and support the majority decisions of the Committee
- Think creatively to continuously evolve the program and deliver value to the chapter and members

Eligibility:

- Must be employed by a current ABC CF member company
- Under the age of 40

Time Requirements:

- Six to twelve one-hour committee meetings
- Approximately 1-2 hours per month for committee assignments

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