## Now is the Time to Join an ACEC Ohio Committee

Learn from your peers in the industry while gaining valuable experience



Joining an ACEC Ohio committee offers numerous benefits. You'll have the opportunity to contribute to the industry, share best practices, discuss challenges and solutions, and gain valuable insights into industry trends, all while networking with peers. Our committees provide essential professional development as you advance in your career, enhance client relations, and help shape our industry's voice.

We are actively seeking a Chair for our Environment & Energy Committee. If you have any interest in being Chair for this committee, please email Lexi Francis at <a href="mailto:lexi.francis@acecohio.org">lexi.francis@acecohio.org</a> today!

We are asking our members to share this article with a friend who would be interested in joining an ACEC Ohio committee. We'd love to have your recommendations for new volunteers!

Now is the time to get involved and volunteer on one or more of the following committees:

**Communication**— Develop and implement outreach and communication for ACEC Ohio including the Engineering Excellence Awards Program and review of all Council publications.

**Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion**—To ensure ACEC Ohio is recognized as a welcoming organization where all members are included, involved and can achieve their full potential.

**Environment & Energy**-- Represents the interests of ACEC Ohio member companies that provide water resources, environmental engineering, and energy sector work; maintains liaison committees with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and other regulatory authorities.

**Government Affairs**-- Provides direction for the Council's Government Affairs activities; monitors legislation introduced in the Ohio General Assembly and rules and policies promulgated by state administrative agencies.

**Membership Services**-- Responsible for assuring that the programs and services offered by ACEC Ohio are of significant value to the organization's member companies, coordinates membership retention and recruitment programs.

**Political Action**-- Selected by the Board Chair, manages the ACEC Ohio Political Action Fund.

**QBS Task Force**-- Find ways to educate and inform member firms and clients on QBS Laws in Ohio

**Scholarship**-- Review existing programs within chapters and make recommendations on moving forward with an ACEC Ohio scholarship program that will complement the ACEC National Scholarship program.

**Small Firms**-- Develops programs and services to help the owners of small firms by addressing their unique situations; provides a networking forum for owners of small engineering companies.

**Transportation**-- Represents the interests of ACEC Ohio member firms engaged in transportation engineering; maintains liaison with the Ohio Department of Transportation, Ohio Turnpike Commission, and other transportation-related agencies.

**Vertical Development Committee**-- To represent ACEC Ohio member firms to entities that procure professional engineering services for projects in the vertical construction market (Education, Health Care, Office, Commercial, Manufacturing, Lodging, Public/Private Infrastructure, and/or Government Facilities) to achieve fairer procurement policies, contractual terms, as well as improved standards and funding. Maintains liaison with the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission and works with AIA and AGC on issues.

**Workforce Development** – Facilitate connections between ACEC Ohio and higher education to develop an open line of communication on curriculum needs, talent pipeline, student experiences, and legislative support. Foster and support the development of future professionals in Ohio's built environment.

To sign up for a committee, reach out to Lexi Francis at <a href="mailto:lexi.francis@acecohio.org">lexi.francis@acecohio.org</a>.