



AGC 2020



Annual Report to Members



When COVID hit:

- AGC immediately began lobbying congress, state and local leaders to categorize construction as an **essential service to keep our members working**.
- AGC created a COVID-19 specific website within the AGC homepage where we **housed industry specific documents and templates** for our members, including up-to-date state, federal and local mandates, safety and travel templates for essential businesses, and information on financial relief packages.
- AGC of Alaska partnered with AK DOT&PF to compile best practices from various COVID safety plans for rural and urban jobsites into one template, which was approved by the DOT, DHSS, Dept. of Commerce, and the Governor's office to help our contractors **standardize the protocols for COVID-19 on the job site and for travel around Alaska**.
- AGC hosted a virtual Agency Day webinar for our members to engage in presentations from Alaska's Congressional Delegation, DOT and DOD (USACE) officials, Municipality of Anchorage, Fairbanks North Star Borough, and more-- **which attracted more than 200 participants statewide**.
- AGC worked with the AK-CESCL steering committee to create a **1-year automatic extension** for those already in possession of a 3-year certification, and for those not currently certified, a temporary non-compliance waiver was approved.
- AGC worked with USACE for CQM certification to provide a grace period allowing CQM **certification extensions to 1-01-2022**.



Your Membership Dues at Work

Essentials

Membership Overview: 90% Member Retention Rate from 2019-2020. As of 10.15.20, we've added **58 new AGC members:** **11** new General Contractor members, **21** new Specialty Contractor members, **26** Associate members.

Online Plans: As of 10.1.20 AGC has listed over **1,950** jobs to our Online Plans site, making our members among the first to know about new jobs/projects out for bid across the state of Alaska.

401(k) Retirement program: 1,470 employees of AGC member companies contributed to their retirement savings through the NW AGC Chapters Retirement Plan.

Health Care program: 18 AGC of Alaska member companies enrolled in the Alaska Health Trust providing health care to over **100** AGC member employees and their dependents.

Workforce Development:

- In late 2020, AGC + CIPF launched the “We Build Alaska” social media campaign to increase awareness about the various careers in the construction industry and promote interest in the trades.

- In February 2020, AGC hosted a Speed Interviewing event where we connected **20 UAA Construction Management program students** with **20 AGC contractors** for job/internship placement.

Promotion

- Throughout 2020 AGC published **4 editions** of the *Alaska Contractor Magazine*, and highlighted over **34** member projects, covering **20** AGC member profile spotlights. This publication regularly includes legal updates, industry-tech information, safety data and materials and so much more.
- In January, CIPF+AGC released the 2020 Alaska Construction Spending Forecast, which highlighted **11** member projects and provided our members with an informative review and estimate of construction activity in the State of Alaska for the year ahead.
- In May, AGC published and distributed our annual Member Directory to over **600** member businesses, which lists contact information for the entire membership as well as state government/legislative officials and other industry players;

with sections devoted to DBEs, legal members, and member-to-member trainings/discounts.

Education

- As of 10.15.20, AGC of Alaska facilitated the certification trainings for **255 AK-CESCL** students, **55 CQM** students, and **176 RMS** students, with an additional **70 AK-CECSL** certifications expected by end of 2020.
- AGC of America hosted COVID-related webinars surrounding PPP, legislative policy, safety/legal updates available to all AGC members **FREE** of charge throughout the pandemic.
- Throughout 2020 AGC **partnered** with the **SBA, DOT, and DOL** to host more than **10** in-person/virtual member Lunch & Learns on a variety of industry-related topics including: Mental Health Awareness/Suicide Prevention, Anchorage Municipal Responsible Contractor Ordinance, Cyber Security, MSHA, and more.
- In 2020 AGC distributed more than **\$25,000** in scholarship funds to students from UAA & UAF pursuing higher education in construction-related fields.



Advocacy

- AGC testified on behalf of our members and the construction industry on **8** different local/federal assembly initiatives that would affect our member base, and actively tracked/lobbied for over **13** construction industry-related House and Senate Bills in the state legislature.
- In February, AGC Hosted our Legislative Fly-In where **18** AGC members attended **45** meetings with legislators, the Governor's Office, and Commissioners from the Department of Labor and the Department of Transportation to promote AGC's legislative priorities for the construction industry.
- AGC/DOT Steering Committee signed a Partnership Agreement with the DOT Commissioner, and continues to meet on a quarterly basis on issues of concern.
- AGC notified our members of important legislative policies affecting our industry related to PPP, federal funding, and laying the foundation for economic recovery at the national/local level through numerous call-to-action emails at the onset of/throughout the pandemic.

- AGC raised more than **\$18,000** from our PAC raffle to donate towards legislative candidates who support the construction industry in Alaska.
- AGC immediately joined the **OneAlaska** coalition and promoted **Vote No on Ballot Measure 1** efforts to protect Alaska jobs and the economy.
- AGC Executive Leadership met with Alaska's Congressional Delegation in DC to advocate on behalf of our members at a federal level.

In 2020 AGC tracked and lobbied **13** different House and Senate Bills directly related to the construction industry:

- HB 308 – Unemployment Benefits for COVID-19
- HB 301 – Electrician & Plumber Apprenticeships
- HB 235 – TVEP Funding
- HB 234 – Supplemental Budget
- HB 205 – Operating and Capital Budget
- HB 68 – Labor Standards/Safety; Workers' Compensation
- HB 36 – Contain Loads on Highways: Exemptions
- HB 37 – Exemption: Contractors, Electrical Administration

- HB 30 – Workers' Compensation
- HB 26 – Confining Vehicle Loads
- HB 8 – Excavator Liability
- SB 115 – Motor fuel tax, Capital Budget, DOL Regulations, HB 201
- SB 80 – Initiative severability

AGC testified on behalf of our members on **3** different local issues:

- Apprenticeship Ordinance in the Fairbanks North Star Borough
- Anchorage Building Code Updates
- Responsible Contractor Ordinance – MOA

AGC was involved in **5** Federal Issues at various levels:

- Ambler Road DEIS Participation
- FAA payments to contractors
- Willow Master Development Plan DEIS Participation
- AKLNG DEIS Participation
- Testified in front of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska in support of the Hilcorp/BP transition.

Networking

We know that our members rely on networking opportunities to grow their businesses and foster new industry relationships throughout the year. Our events looked quite different in 2020, but AGC was able to safely connect our members through the following opportunities while abiding by the local health mandates in place statewide:

2020 Construction Spending Forecast Breakfast (Anchorage): **120 attendees**

2020 Construction Spending Forecast Breakfast (Fairbanks): **75 attendees**

2020 Legislative Fly-In: **18 AGC members met with 45 Alaska State Legislators**

2020 Speed Interviewing Event: **20 contractors + 20 UAA CM students**

2020 Fairbanks Bowl-A-Thon: **150 attendees**

2020 Anchorage Golf Tournament: **225 golfers + sponsors/volunteers**

2020 Fairbanks Golf Tournament: **160 golfers + sponsors/volunteers**

2020 Anchorage Sporting Clays Shoot: **82 participants**