



Master Builders' Association

Of Western Pennsylvania, Inc.

How the MBA Builds Your Business

Who We Are

The Master Builders' Association of Western Pennsylvania, Inc. is a trade association whose membership includes over 150 of the top general contractors, construction managers, specialty contractors, and service and supplier companies supporting our region's commercial construction industry. Collectively, the membership accounts for over eighty (80) percent of the commercial construction in our area. The MBA brings a strong, influential and single voice to the industry, which is our greatest source of pride and legacy since 1886. We are one of 96 chapters affiliated with AGC of America representing over 32,000 members nationwide. Members of the MBA are also members of AGC of America. This affiliation affords the MBA membership with an even stronger industry voice and broader access to services, resources and activities available on a national level.

What We Do

Guided by our core principles of skill, integrity and responsibility, the mission of the MBA is to be the voice of Western Pennsylvania's construction industry, provide valuable member services and promote best construction practices.

What We Offer You

For over a century, the MBA has been instrumental in ensuring the profitability of its members and the professional standards of the construction industry. By providing a full range of quality services to its members, including government relations, education and training, information and technology, market promotion and industry relations, the MBA is the construction industry's leading voice in our region.

Today, the membership benefits from the MBA's continued dedication to the construction industry. As the construction industry's leading voice, the MBA will continue ***building the region and leading the industry*** for you and your company.



MBA membership gives you the competitive advantage.





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At Work For You: Your Advocate

Representing Your Company in Government

The MBA represents your company at all levels of government. Whether it's national legislation, a state licensing bill or a county permitting issue, we are there to defend your business.

- **Local, State and Federal Representation:** The MBA employs a full-time government relations director who monitors important anti-business legislation and regulations so you don't have to. If it affects your business, the MBA is there. With the help and guidance of the MBA Legislative Committee, the MBA develops positions on issues that could impact your company's future.
- At the state level, the MBA is a member of the General Contractors Association of Pennsylvania (GCAP). GCAP was founded in the early 1960's as a united group of union contractors who provide a single voice for union construction from the union contractors point of view.
- Additionally, our industry's national interests are represented by AGC of America.
- **AGC & GCAP PACs:** GCAP established its Political Action Committee (GCAP PAC) to financially support state legislative candidates who are supportive of improving the construction industry in our state. Nationally, the AGC PAC is an essential part to provide the over 32,000 contractor members one collective voice in Washington DC. Contributions to both PACs are voluntary.

Fighting for You in Harrisburg's State Legislature

Each legislative session, Harrisburg considers many bills that would impact your business. The MBA is fighting for your business in regards to important issues, like: Tax Reform; Mechanic's Lien Law; Contractor Licensing & Registration laws; Workers Compensation; Local Government Public Works Construction Law; Energy Efficiency & Sustainable Construction Act; and the PA Separations Act.



The MBA has a responsive and dedicated staff to assist with your business every day.





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At Work For You: Your Industry Connection

The MBA was built on, and relies upon, strong relationships. To give our members the opportunity to meet one another and learn more about the industry as a whole, our chapter hosts the following events and programs:

Networking Events - To provide the opportunity to meet not only other members, but other professionals in the industry as well as end users in a more casual environment.

Annual Golf Outing – This extremely popular event provides a great opportunity for members to enjoy a day of golf.

Annual Membership Meeting & Dinner - The MBA Annual Membership Meeting & Dinner provides members an opportunity to network and enjoy a wonderful dinner at the Duquesne Club.

Committee and Taskforce Involvement - The MBA is a committee-run association and has standing committees dedicated to enhancing the industry and providing the members with leadership and recognition opportunities. From time to time, Taskforces form to tackle specialized topics and members with on certain topics are enlisted to join the cause.

Young Constructors – The MBA is committed to investing in its young industry professionals by offering this program to our members. A steering committee comprised of young professionals develop programs that provide participants with the opportunity to develop strong leadership skills and techniques, to learn more about how to get involved with the MBA, and to network and share ideas with other industry professionals.



Connect with
owners,
contractors,
suppliers,
lawmakers,
the media and key
influencers in the
industry.





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Safety Pays With the MBA

One of the keys to your company's profitability is ongoing, quality safety training. Over the past several years, the MBA has set the industry standard as it has trained thousands of individuals who have helped their companies become more competitive.

- **Competent Person Training:** The MBA offers Competent Person Training at a discounted price to all MBA members.
- **Site Visits:** The MBA employs a full-time safety professional on staff. Safety site visits can be easily scheduled by contacting the MBA. These visits assure the members' maintain safe jobsites, in compliance with OSHA. Most importantly, the safety visits allow an opportunity to inform members' employees about the many types of hazards they may encounter on the job site, and will assist in reducing the number of accidents by teaching ways to create a safer work environment.
- **Safety Training Classes:** The MBA offers a multitude of safety training classes throughout the year to make your business more productive. Classes are held in the classroom, on the jobsite, and on the Internet. Topics include such items as: Scaffold Safety, Fall Protection, Confined Space, First Aid/CPR/Bloodborne Pathogens, Forklift Training and Respiratory Protection.
- **Safety Start-Up Kit:** Provided free of charge to MBA members, these guidelines will assist you in developing a company-wide safety program. It includes every poster required by the Federal and State of Pennsylvania governments related to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), plus some general guidelines for establishing company-wide safety programs.



The MBA is here to serve you and help you solve your daily business challenges.





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At Work for You: Elevating Your Company Image

The MBA's Public Relations Department, in conjunction with the MBA Marketing Committee, elevates the profile of your firm and the industry, through special events, media publicity and promotional materials.

Logos and Decals

MBA logos and decals promote the best contractors in the industry. Members are encouraged to use the MBA logo on their company letterhead, Internet sites, job-site signs and business cards.

MBA Building Excellence Awards

The annual MBA Building Excellence Award program is the most prestigious award for the Western Pennsylvania construction industry. Each year, the MBA honors the best construction projects the industry has to offer. Award recipients are featured in BreakingGround magazine and are honored at our region's premier construction networking event – The Construction Industry Evening of Excellence.

Safety Awards

Company Safety Awards are part of the national AGC's Safety Statistics Tabulation Program and are awarded each year during the AGC's Annual Convention.

Labor Affiliations

MBA members are committed to maintaining a skilled workforce. As our region's collective bargaining association for the building industry, members benefit from a strong relationship with Western Pennsylvania's organized labor. The MBA negotiates reasonable labor contracts with: Greater PA Regional Council of Carpenters; Cement Masons Local 526; Western PA District Council of Laborers; and, Operating Engineers Local 66.



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At Work for You: Keeping You Informed

Gain valuable tips and information on a wide range of construction topics at a minimal cost to members with publications, such as, contract documents, labor relations and personnel management handbooks, supervisory training guides, craft worker instructional materials, management and operations literature, and information brochures on education and careers.

BreakingGround Magazine

Get information on industry trends and upcoming issues facing today's marketplace with the bi-monthly regional magazine.

MBA Sourcebook

Build a network of contacts with this handy reference book, which enables you to contact other construction owners. For easy reference, the membership is listed by member category. The directory is updated tri-annually, to coincide with the MBA President's term. This resource is sent to all MBA members, as well as architects, engineers and public and private owners in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

www.mbawpa.org

Find information on everything that the MBA has to offer, including membership services, up-coming educational sessions and events and industry news, on the association's website.

Safety News

To keep members up-to-date with the latest issues affecting construction, the MBA sends its members a Safety e-Newsletter. This newsletter is full of information on safety training, recalls, regulatory news, recent construction accident details, and the latest OSHA activity.

CAPsule Report

Gain practical information, including the latest updates on the MBA and the region's construction industry, with the MBA's bi-monthly newsletter.



Utilize the MBA to stay informed of the construction industry.

