

2023-2024 Annual Report



Committee Name: Political Action

Date: May 30, 2024

Committee Chair/Vice Chair: David Krock, OHM Advisors (Chair)
Jake Stremmel, HDR (Vice Chair)

Committee Members: Greg Heaton, ACEC PAC Champ (Crawford, Murphy & Tilly), Paul Gluck (Michael Baker Intl), Marie Keister (MurphyEpson), Tom Mosure (ms consultants), Ram Nunna (Jacobs Engineering), Lynn Miggins (KS Associates), and Tim Casto (The Kleingers Group)

Committee Mission:

To raise funds from the Membership to support ACEC Ohio's Government Affairs program and activities and to allocate those funds to candidates for the Ohio General Assembly and statewide offices who are supportive of the engineering industry's business interests.

Summary of 2023-2024 Committee Activities/Accomplishments the PAC runs on the calendar year:

Calendar Year 2023 – PAC Donation Highlights

- ACEC Ohio PAC: \$33,680 contributed by member firms in Ohio. (Stretch Goal = \$55,000)
 - 184 individuals and firm PAC's contributed to ACEC Ohio
 - \$14,000 distributed in support of Ohio Legislators
- ACEC National PAC: \$27,680 contributed by member firms in Ohio. (Stretch Goal = \$55,000)
 - #11 Nationally in State Ranking for total giving
 - #5 Nationally in State Ranking for total number of Contributors (138)
 - \$54,000 distributed in Congressional Legislators from Ohio
- Summary: 57 member firms met or exceeded their firm goal (8 others gave some level of contribution)

Calendar Year 2024 (YTD) – PAC Donation Highlights

- ACEC Ohio PAC: \$27,000 contributed by member firms in Ohio. (Stretch Goal = \$55,000)
 - 157 individuals and firm PAC's contributed to ACEC Ohio
 - \$500 distributed in support of Ohio Legislators
- ACEC National PAC: \$17,340 contributed by member firms in Ohio. (Stretch Goal = \$55,000)
 - #TBD Nationally in State Ranking for total giving
 - #TBD Nationally in State Ranking for total number of Contributors (97)
 - \$15,500 distributed in Congressional Legislators from Ohio
- Summary: 41 member firms met or exceeded their firm goal (13 others gave some level of contribution)

Calendar Year 2024 (YTD) – PAC Event Highlights

- All meetings of the PAC Trustees to-date have been virtual and well attended.
- Initial PAC solicitation letters were emailed to all member firms on January 23.
- The PAC Appreciation event was held in person at the Hubbard Grille in Columbus on January 12 to thank all ACEC Ohio member firms that met their PAC goals in 2023. Matt Reiffer from ACEC National and Kevin Futryk from the Government Advantage Group made presentations on key national and Ohio issues for the coming year.
- Our PAC Kickoff Event for 2024 was held at BrewDog Short North in Columbus on February 8. State Representative Kevin Miller, District 69, was our special guest.
- In March, the PAC Trustees met, discussed, and implemented a new Donation Plan strategy for 2024. The key elements of the Donation Plan are shown below:
 - Each of the 9 PAC Trustees has been assigned 19 member firms in Ohio. The goal for each Trustee is to contact each member firm, inquire as to their engagement and satisfaction with ACEC Ohio, explain the benefits of financially supporting the engineering industry, and encourage them to donate to the PAC for this purpose.
 - The goals are as follows for the 19 member firms:
 - 6 – 7 of these firms normally meet their annual goal
 - Goal: Maintain or increase level of donation
 - 3 – 4 of these firms have made some level of donation in the last three years
 - Goal: Increase level of donation – meet firm goal, if possible
 - 8 – 10 have not made any donation in the last three years
 - Goal: Make some level of donation – even if only \$20 to start

Future Goals:

- By October 31, 2024: ACEC Ohio will meet our ACEC National Goal of \$26,000
- By December 31, 2024: 60 Member Firms will meet or exceed their ACEC Goals
- With advice from lobbyists, target donations to State and Federal legislators who support our industry
- Attend PAC Annual Dinner with Ohio Senate Leadership (House as well, if appropriate)
- Continue to message to all member firms the value of donating to ACEC Ohio to support the collective business interests of the engineering industry. We are stronger together – Support ACEC today!