

# Monthly Updates



## **PWX 2026 AZ Chapter PACE Award**

Congratulations to our chapter for another APWA PACE Award. The Presidential Acknowledgment for Chapter Excellence (PACE) is an annual award given by the American Public Works Association to chapters that show high performance in member services, management, outreach, and the advancement of public works

*-Keeping our Chapter Members informed and connected with the latest APWA National and AZ Chapter news-*

# Who are we?

### APWA Arizona Chapter:

Arizona APWA, founded in 1954, is a State Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA); a non-profit 501(c)3 educational and professional association of public agencies, private sector companies, and individuals dedicated to providing professional excellence and public awareness through education, advocacy, knowledge, and much more! There are 62 APWA chapters and APWA's headquarters is located in Kansas City, MO as well as an office in Washington, D.C. Membership. APWA is open to public, private sector individuals, agencies, and companies interested and involved in the delivery of public works goods and services.



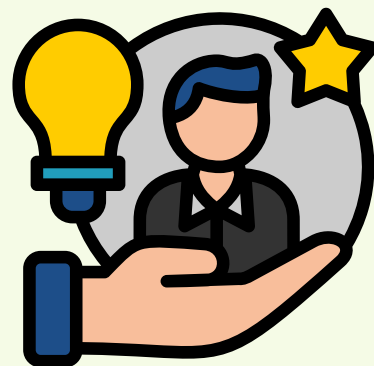
### APWA Arizona Chapter Mission

The Arizona Chapter's mission is to support those who operate, improve and maintain public works and infrastructure through advocacy, education & member engagement.

## AZ Chapter/National Membership Development

### What is New for Members?

- Are You a Young Professional (YP)?
  - Our Chapter YP Committee wants to hear from you.
  - Events offered nearly every month of the year focused on networking, education and mentoring opportunities for you.
- APWA YP Committee
  - Our national and AZ Chapter YP committees are very active, please connect with your AZ Chapter Chairs for more information.



**Membership Matters:**  
**September by the Numbers**  
**APWA – 34,071**  
**AZ Chapter – 771**

### Know your National Integrated Strategies Committees?

- *Asset Management Committee*
- *Leadership and Management Committee*
- *Sustainability and Resiliency Committee*
- *Technology Committee*
- *Workforce Development Committee*

Integrated Strategy Committees provide expertise in areas that cross all public works disciplines. They act in a collaborative and advisory capacity to ensure a common framework and language are used as best practices in support of APWA's Strategic Plan.

## PWX2026 Houston, TX

- AZ Chapter Showed Up In Force this Year!!!
- Record Attendance
- Record Exhibitor Numbers

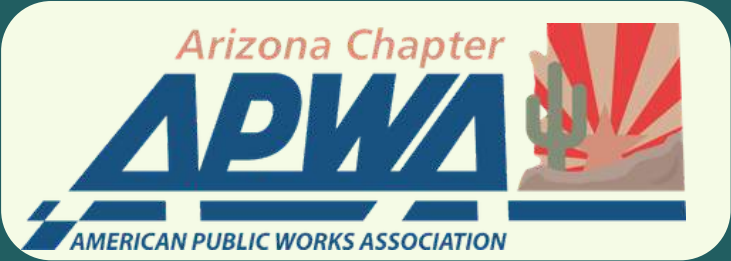


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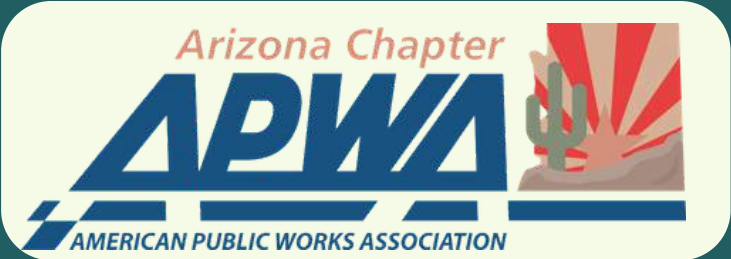
Chapter Delegate Team Updates

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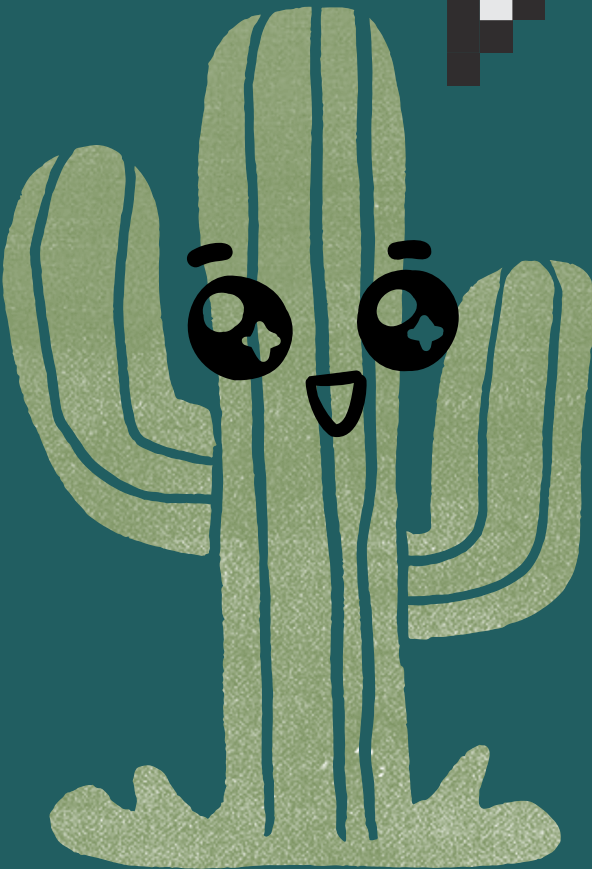




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361 days and counting...

ARE YOU  
READY?



## National Public Works Advocacy

### Listen to the Bonus Episode of Public Works Radio

Public Works Radio is the official voice of APWA, bringing the stories behind our communities to life. This month's episodes drop on September 9 and 23. PWR is available wherever you find your favorite podcasts, as well as on APWA TV. Listen, subscribe, and share with a friend! Direct any inquiries to [podcast@apwa.org](mailto:podcast@apwa.org).



## National Education Opportunities

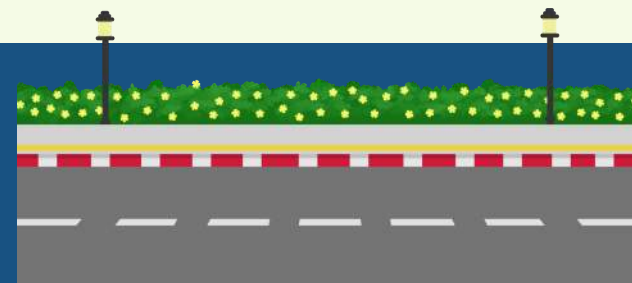
### APWA July Education Sessions:

#### **September 24**–Data-Driven Fleet Staffing: Using MRU and VEU to Inform Leadership Decision

This live virtual program gives fleet management professionals the tools and confidence to use MRU and VEU data to accurately assess workload, justify staffing needs, and communication data-driven recommendations to organizational leadership.

#### **September 18**–WOMEN IN PUBLIC WORKS SERIES

The Women in Public Works Network has made succession planning a top priority and is launching a new 12-month Succession Planning Micro Series beginning September 18. Open to both members and nonmembers, this series will provide practical, 30-minute monthly sessions focused on building leadership pipelines, developing talent, and strengthening the future of public works organizations. This year-long program is free for APWA members.



### CERTIFICATION

APWA is excited to announce an update to the Certified Public Fleet Professional (CPFP) program that will launch in late 2027. Eligibility applications for the current program will be accepted through December 31, 2026. Following this deadline, applications will be paused as we transition to the new fleet microcredential program.

For more information, contact:  
[certification@apwa.org](mailto:certification@apwa.org)



### ARE YOU AN EMERGING LEADER?

Applications are open for the 2026-2027 Emerging Leaders Program (ELA). The new class applications will be available in April 2027!



<https://www.apwa.org/education-careers/emerging-leaders-academy/>