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Region III

2025-2026 ASSP Region III Officer's Kick-Off Meeting

Abby Holovach, MS, CHMM, CSP, REM
ASSP Region III - Vice President

Ketha Molina
ASSP Region III - North Area Director

Patricia Reed, PhD, CSP, CHMM
ASSP Region III - South Area Director



July 18th, 2025

Meeting Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Region III Officers
- Special Guest!
- Society, Region, & Chapter Overview
- Sniffing Around Together
- The Future of Region III
- Questions





Hard stop at 2:55 PM

Welcome!



Introductions

- Your name
- Which Chapter you are a member?
- ASSP role(s)
- Your current job title and where you work
- How long have you worked in the Profession?

Region III Officers



2025-2026 Region III Officers

Regional Title	Regional Leader	Regional Title	Regional Leader
Region III Vice President	Abby Holovach	ARVP Prof. Development	Stan Gregory
Deputy Regional Vice President	TBD – Need nominations!	ARVP Chapter Affairs	Lynn Richardson
North Area Director	Ketha Molina	ARVP Government Affairs	Dustin Hickey
South Area Director	Patricia Reed	ARVP IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Accessibility)	Jennifer Hsu
ARVP Finance	Stevan Parker	ARVP Student Sections	Jeanne Rannells
ARVP Communications	Rachel Palmeri	Awards and Honors Chair	Lynn Richardson
PDC Chair	Stevan Parker	PDC Co-Chair	Belynda Powers
PDC Liaison	Jeff Costlow		

A word from our Special Guest!



Stephanie Johnson

Thank you for
your leadership.

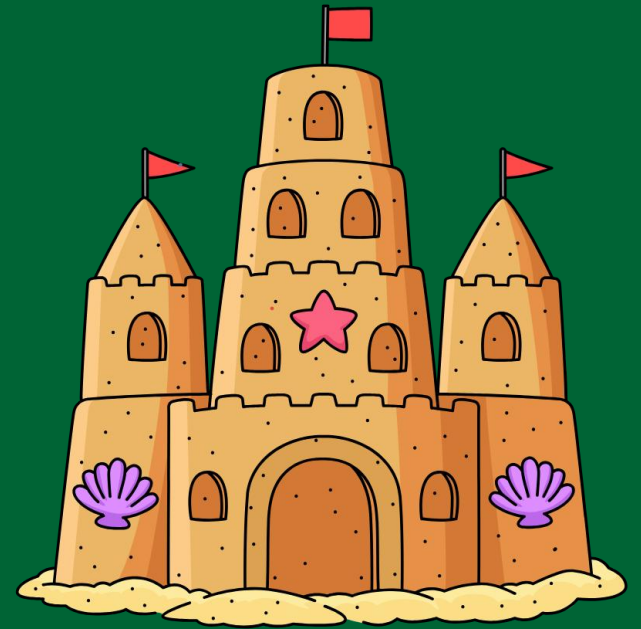
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Director-at-Large



ASSP Strategic Plan



ASSP's Strategic Plan (2023 – 2028)

Our Mission

We are the community that protects people, property and the environment.

Our mission reflects our role as the guardians of workplace safety. Our ultimate goal is to have all workers return home to their loved ones safe, healthy and well each day.

Our Vision

Safety, health and well-being are inherent rights of every worker.

Our vision is an ideal to which we aspire, recognizing that this work requires collaboration with regulatory bodies, businesses and nongovernmental organizations as well as our community of safety and health professionals.

ASSSP's CLEAR Values

Our Values

Our CLEAR values guide our behavior, decisions and actions.

Including these values in our strategic plan emphasizes our commitment to community and continued excellence.



Society, Region, and Chapter Overview



Brand Promise

Who Are We

ASSP is a global association for occupational safety and health professionals.

What Do We Do

We provide education, standards development, advocacy, and a professional community to support the advancement of our members and the profession, as a whole.

Why Does It Matter

Our members are dedicated to creating safe work environments by preventing workplace fatalities, injuries, and illnesses. Sound safety practices are both socially responsible and good business, leading to increased productivity, and better reputation, and higher employee satisfaction.



ASSP Governance

Articles of Incorporation

Governing Document between IL and ASSP



Bylaws

Governing Document between ASSP and Members



Society Operating Guidelines

Operating Guidelines



Practice

Informal Culture

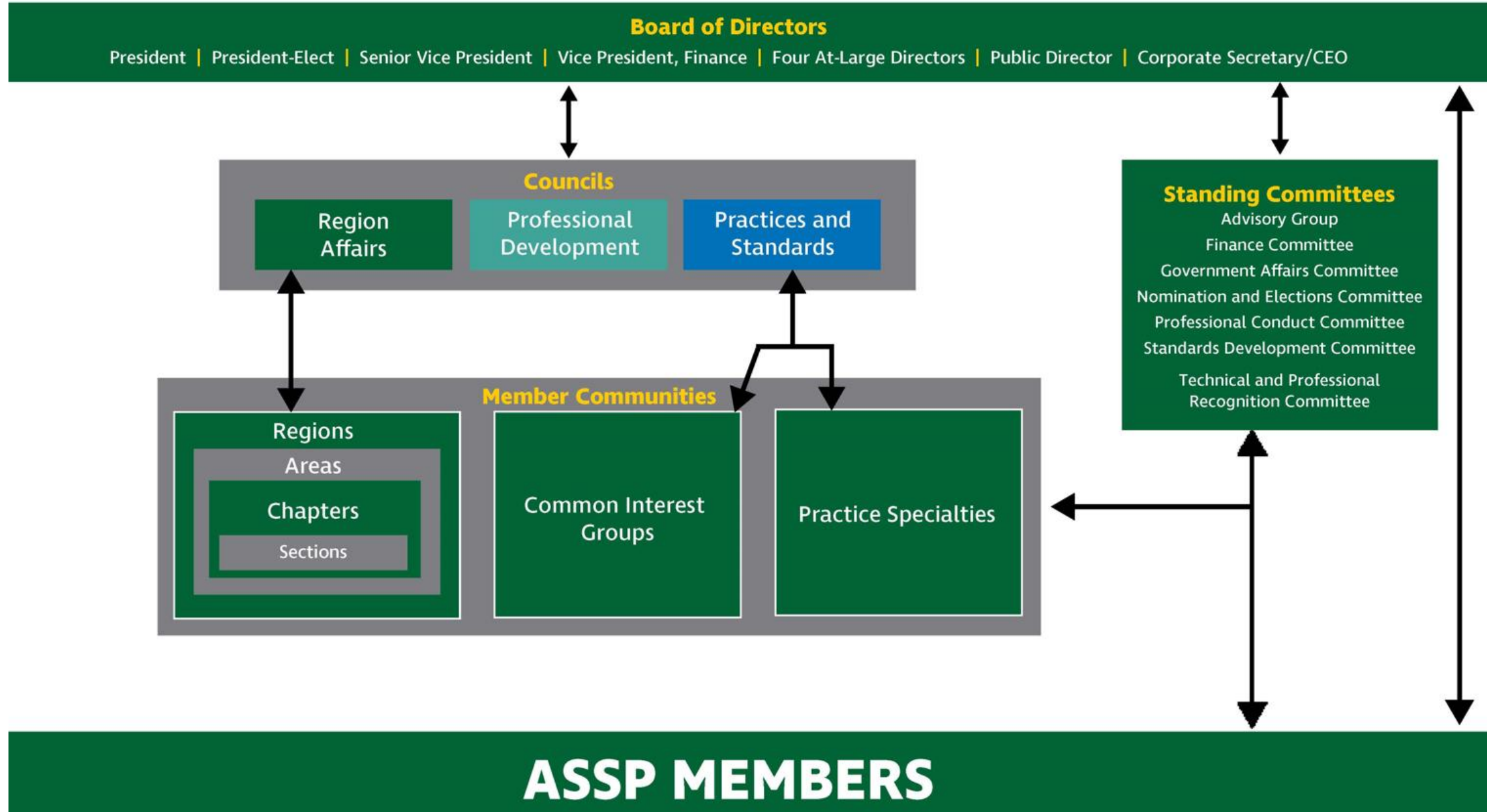
High Ethical and Governance Standards

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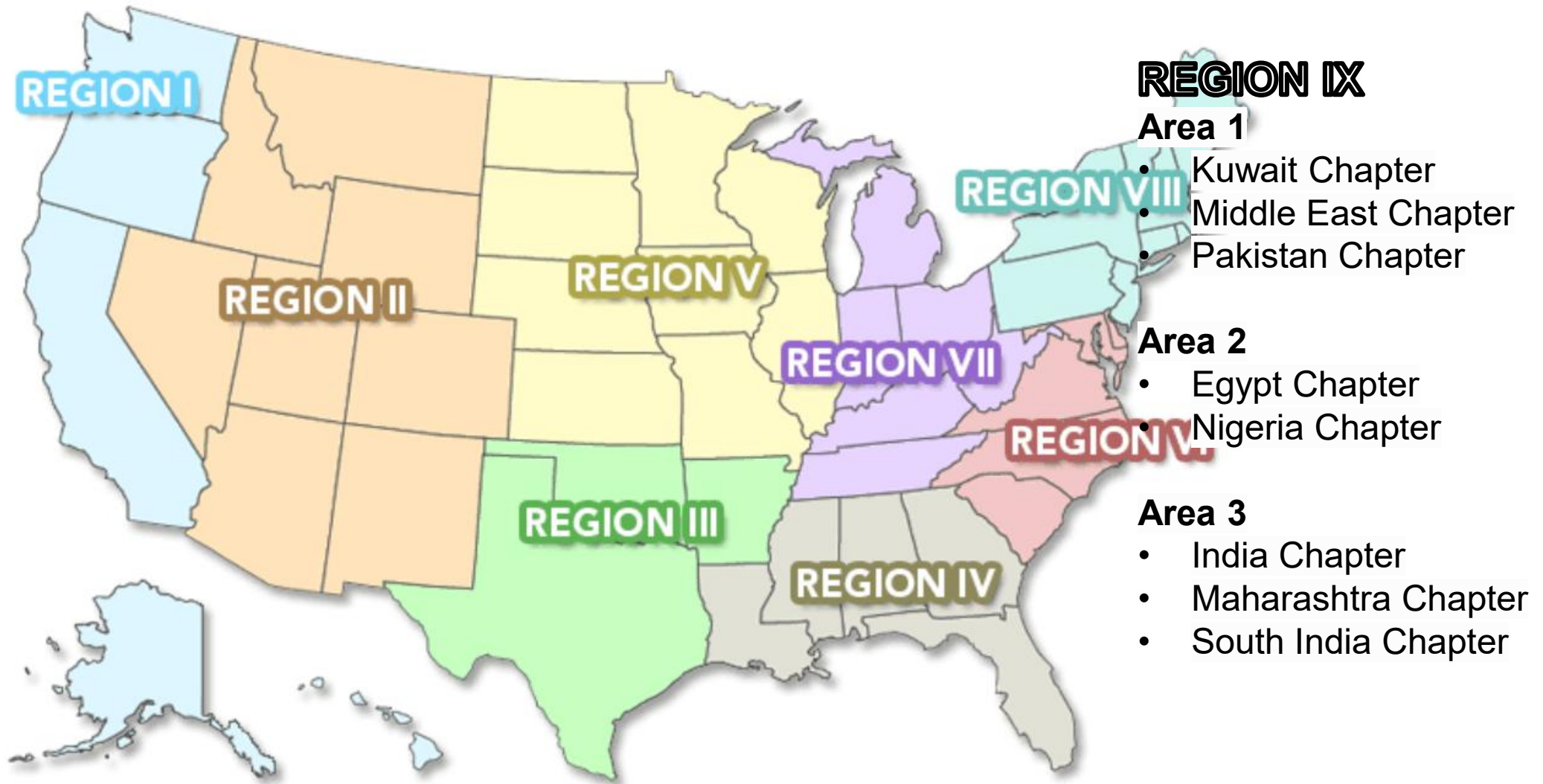




ASSP Governance Model



ASSP by Region



Region III Chapters

North Area Chapters

- Arkansas
- East Texas
- Fort Worth
- Oklahoma City
- South Plains
- Southwest
- Tulsa



South Area Chapters

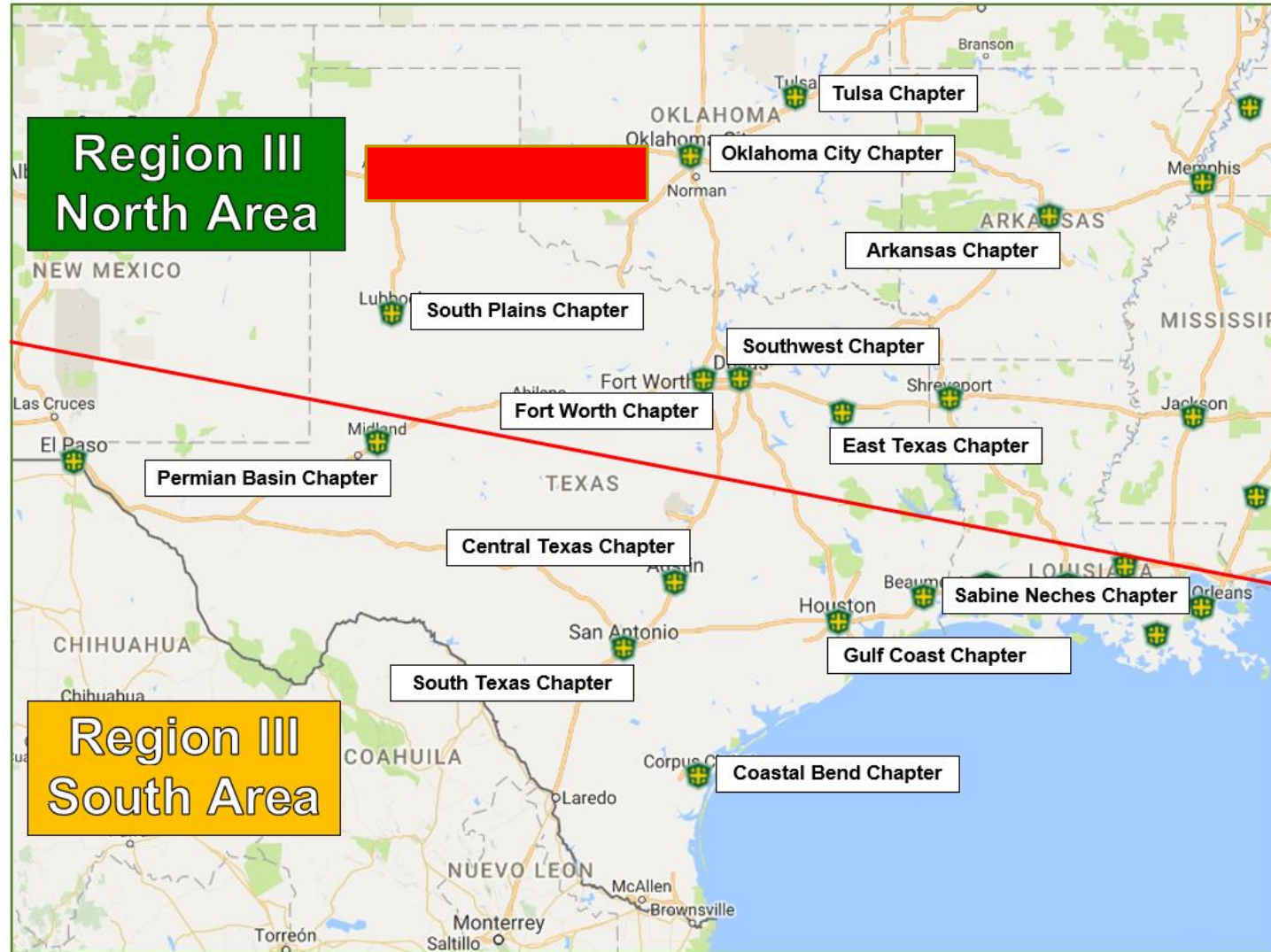
- Central Texas
- Coastal Bend
- Gulf Coast
- Permian Basin
- Sabine Neches
- South Texas



Areas within Region III



**Region III
North Area**

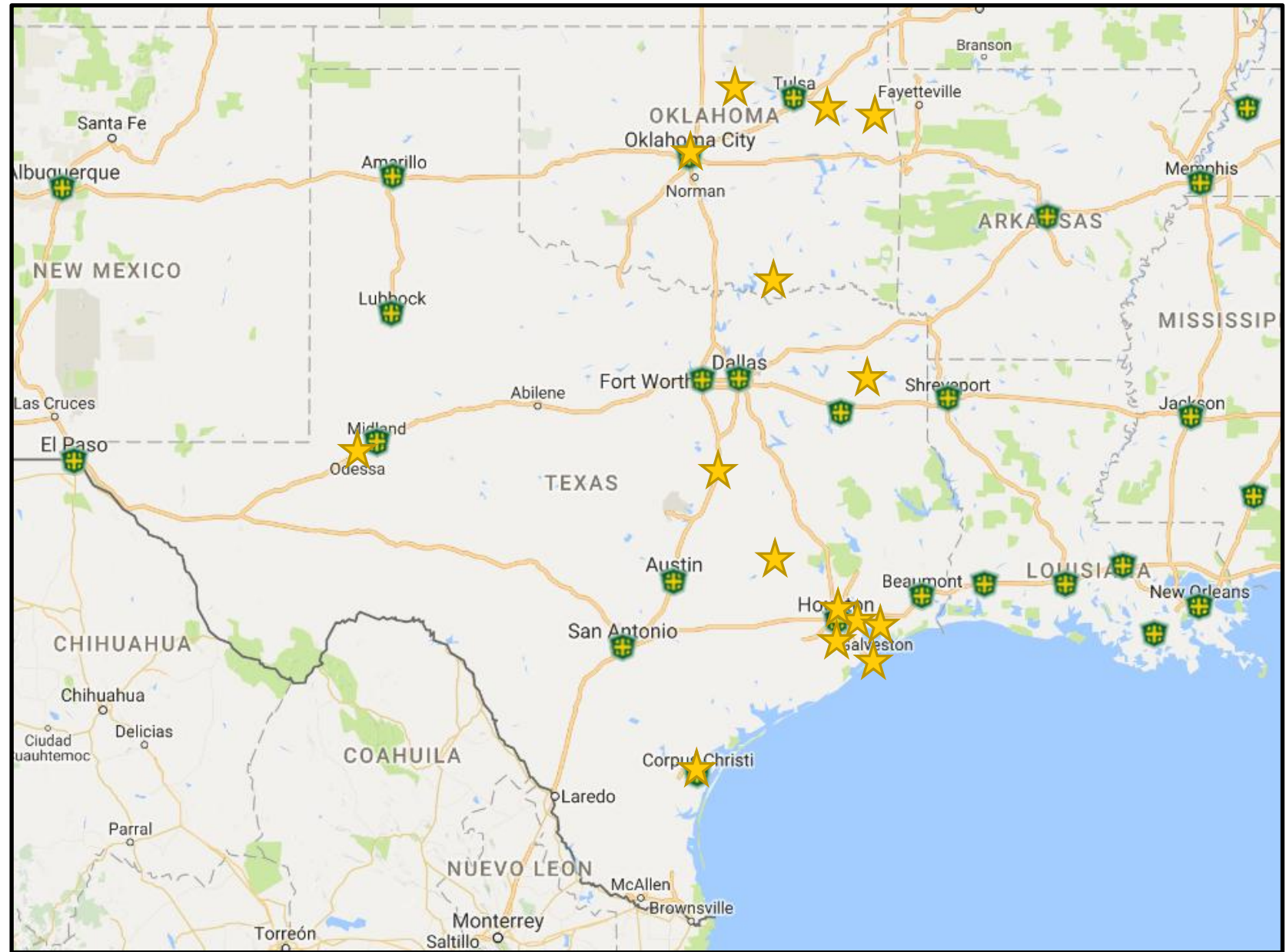


**Region III
South Area**

Our Student Sections

- **7 Parent Chapters**
- **13 Student Sections**
- **Offered Degrees:**
 - Associates (AAS)
 - Bachelors (BS & BAAS)
 - Masters (MS & MPH)
- **Academic Programs:**
 - Safety Engineering
 - EHS Management
 - Industrial Hygiene
 - Occ Safety & Health
 - Environmental Science
 - Occ Safety Compliance Tech
 - Fire Protection & Safety Tech
- **Over 350 students***

* Number will fluctuate once school begins



Region III – Student Sections

#	Parent Chapter	Student Section Name	Location
1	Central Texas	Texas A&M University System	College Station, TX
		Texas State Technical College	Waco, TX
2	Coastal Bend	Del Mar College	Corpus Christi, TX
3	East Texas	Kilgore College	Kilgore, TX
4	Gulf Coast	College of Mainland	Texas City, TX
		San Jacinto College	Pasadena, TX
		University of Houston - Clear Lake	Clear Lake, TX
		University of Houston - Downtown	Houston, TX
5	Oklahoma City	University of Central Oklahoma	Edmond, OK
		Oklahoma State University	Stillwater, OK
6	Southwest	Southeastern Oklahoma State University	Durant, OK
7	Tulsa	Northeastern State University	Broken Arrow, OK
		Northeastern State University	Tahlequah, OK

What is the COMT?



ASSP Community Tools

Chapters

Chapter Operations
Management Tool
(COMT)

The Chapter Operations Management Tool (COMT) was created to assist Chapter's with planning their annual activities and events, tracking performance, and sharing their successes and challenges with the Society.

Chapter Operations Management Tool



Planning



Feedback &
reporting



Chapter
recognition

Chapter Operations Management Tool: Structure



Reporting
Requirements



Operational Activity
Requirements

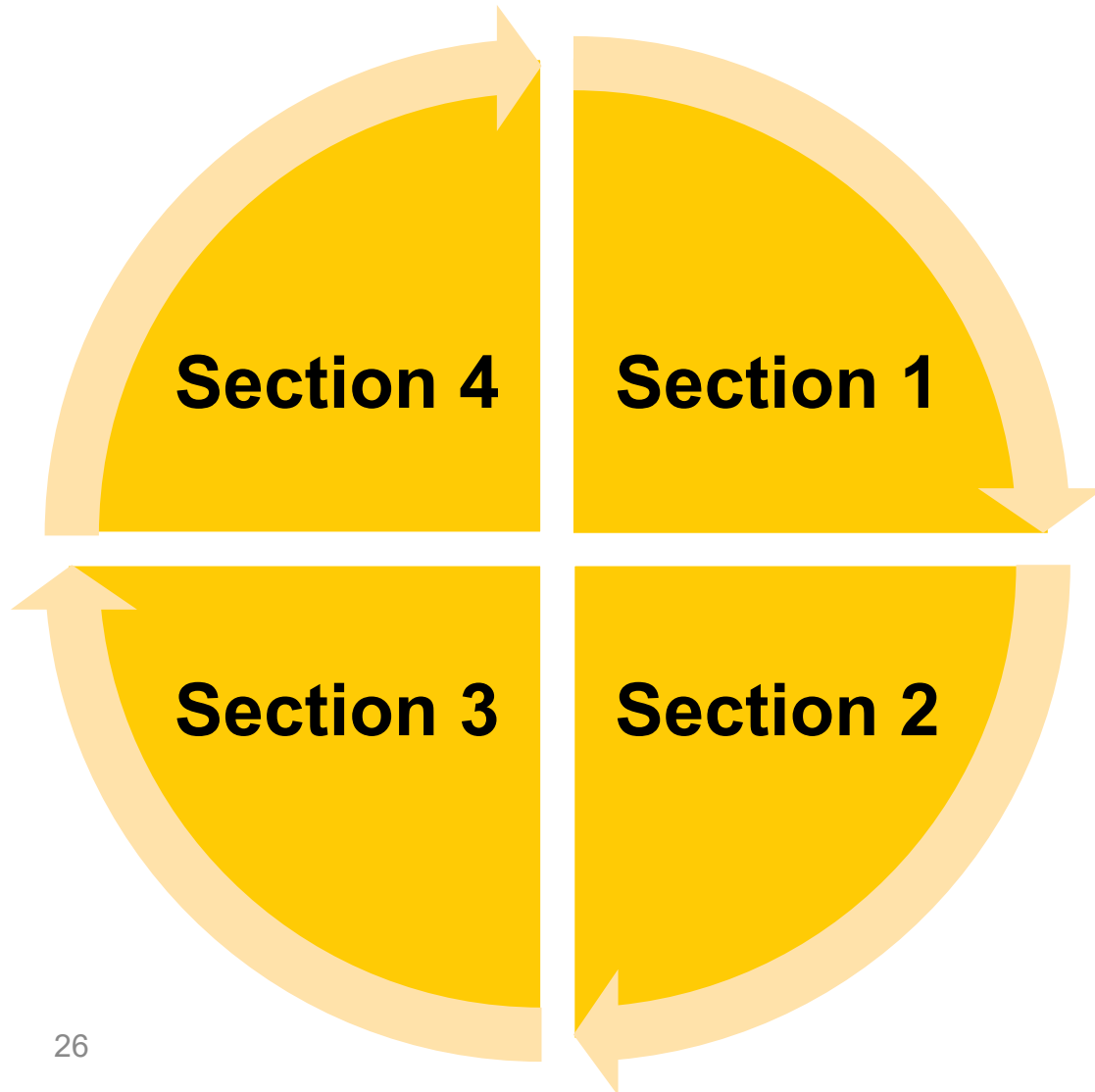


Member Value
Requirements



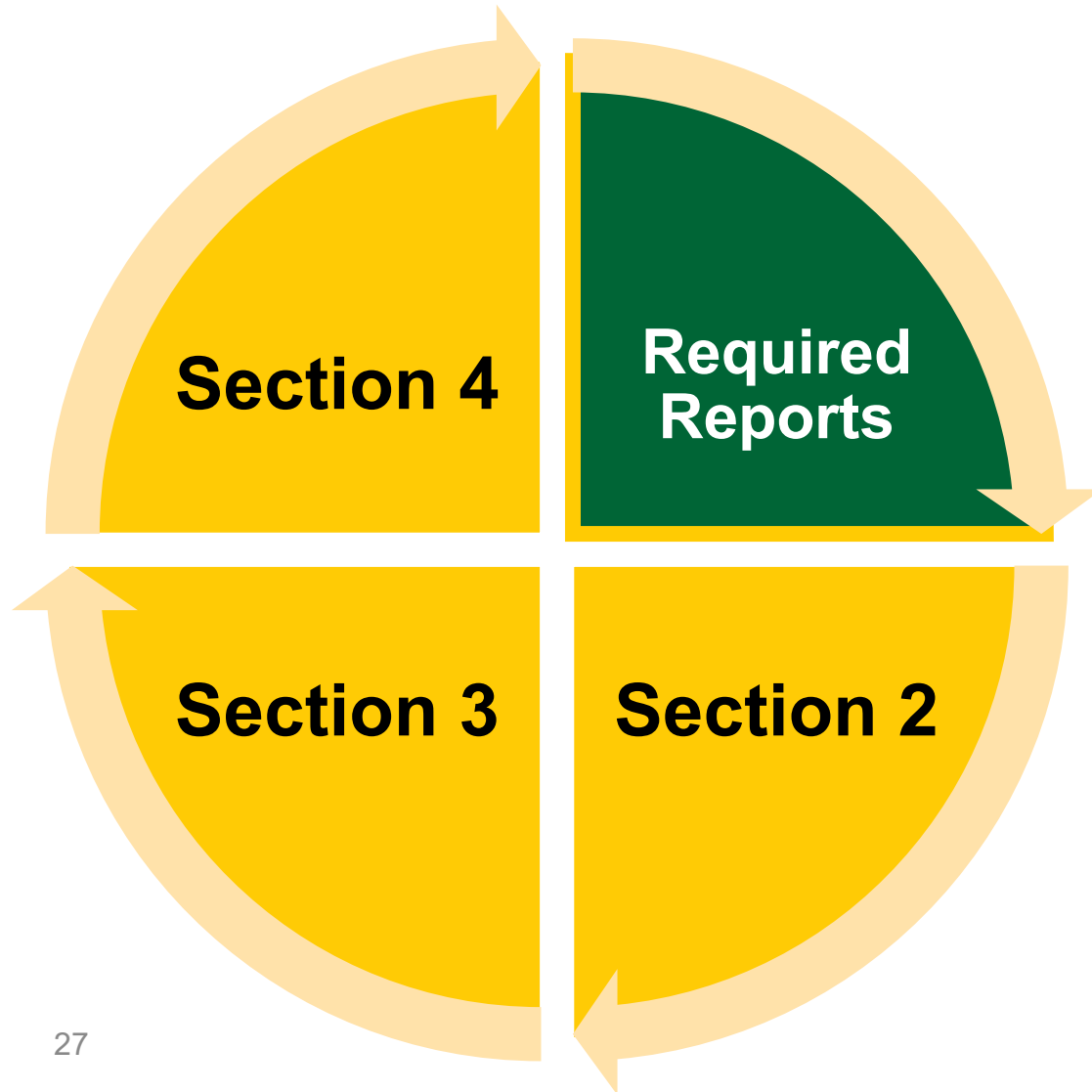
Additional Member
Value Activities

ASSP Community Tool Outline



These tools focus on the items that are considered most important to a successful year of providing outstanding value to members.

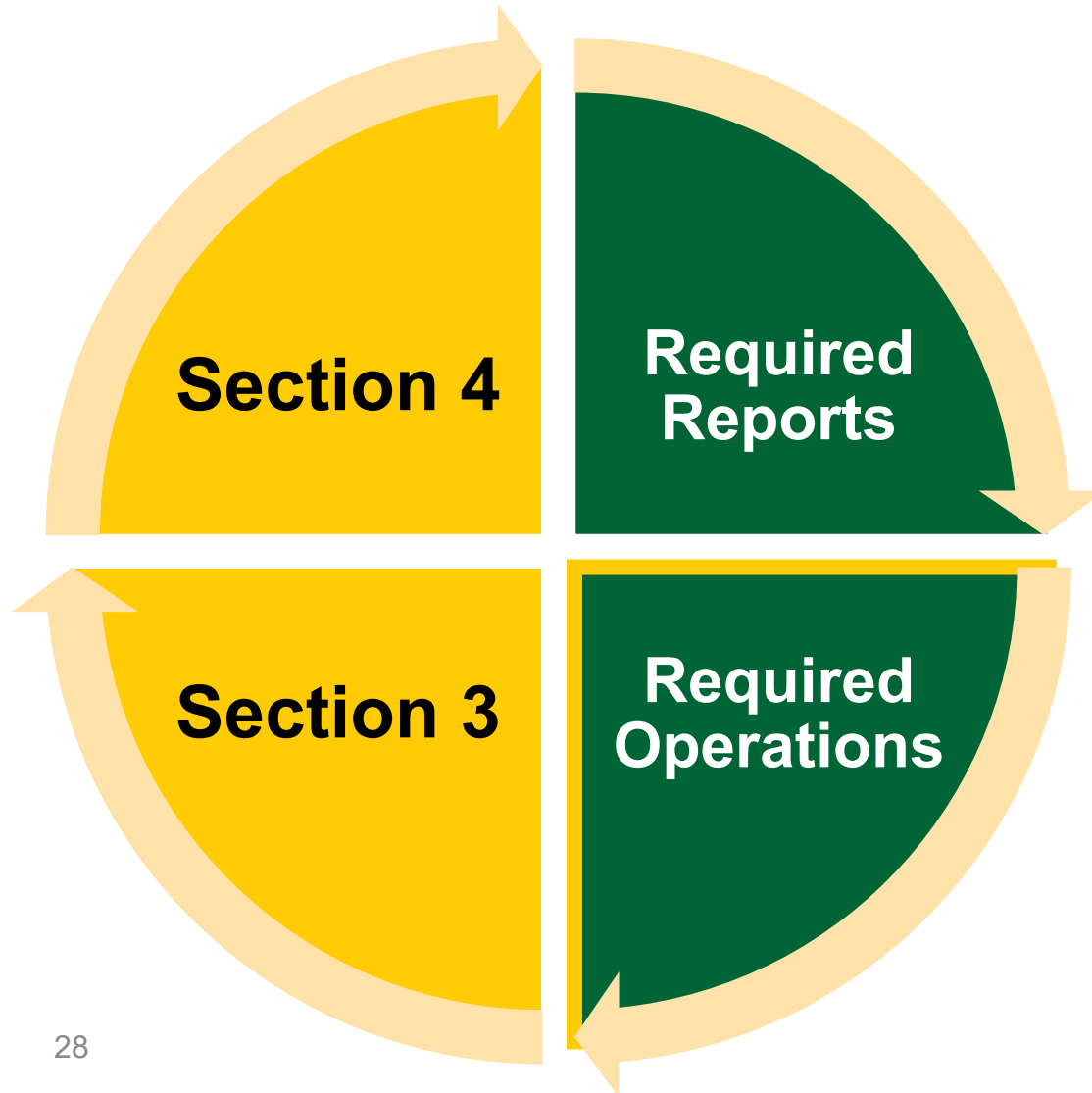
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Required Reporting:

- Operational Plan
- Leadership Report
- Financial Report

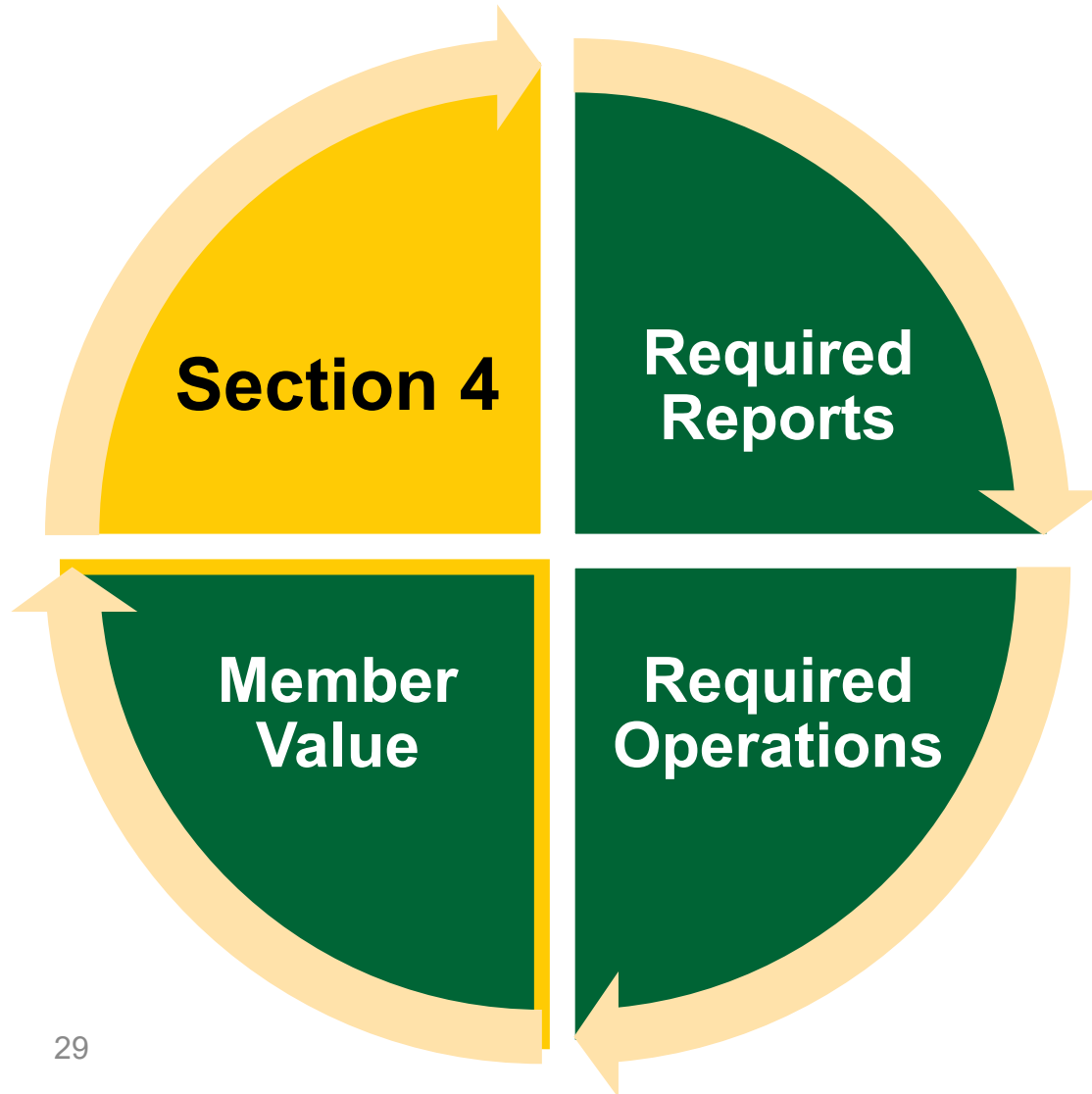
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Operational Requirements:

- Nominations and Elections Committee
- Website Updates
- Communicating with Members
- ROC Meetings

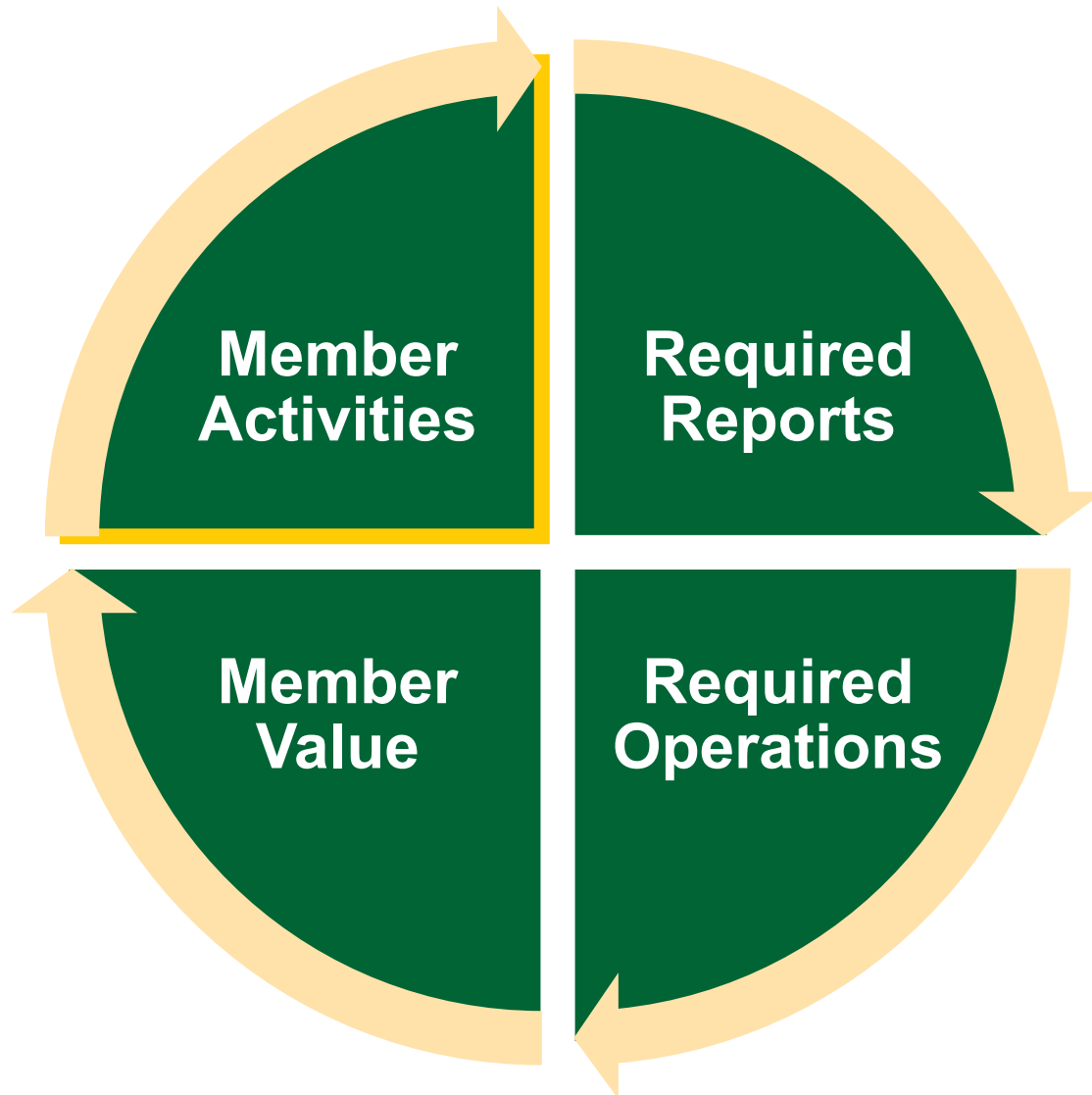
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Member Value:

- Does EC Meet Regularly?
- How does EC serve members?
- Support ASSP's Mission and Strategic Areas
- How many Chapter Meetings are you holding?

ASSP Community Tool Outline



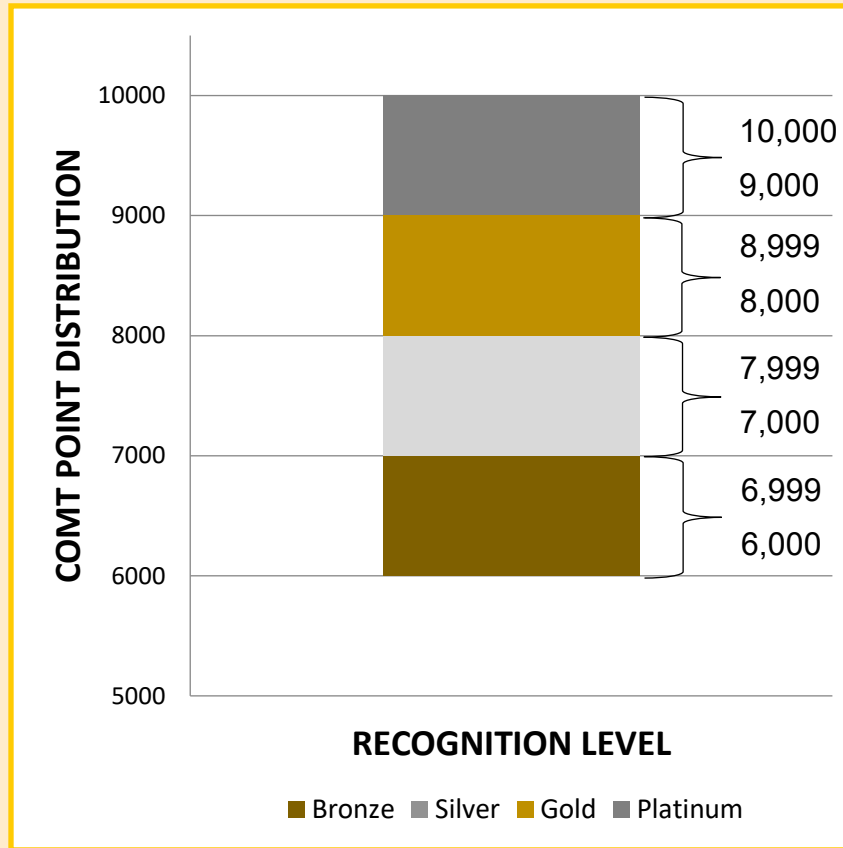
Member Activities:

- Career / Professional Development Opportunities
- Develop Leadership Skills
- Offer CEUs
- Expand Professional Network



ASSP Community Tool Outline

Chapters





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2023-24 Chapter Operations Management Tool (COMT)



Welcome South Texas Chapter

ASSP chapter communities are chartered to deliver value to local members through strong programs. [Society Operating Guideline 8.5](#) outlines the requirements that ensure that ASSP members are being well-served for chapters to maintain their charter.

We encourage you to use the 2023-24 Chapter Operations Management Tool (COMT) continually throughout the year to plan and track your chapter activities and upload required reports throughout the program year (July 1 - June 30).

You can edit your work on any section by clicking Previous Page at the bottom of each page.

Please visit the [Chapter Operations Management Tool](#) page in Community Leader Resources for tools and information that will help you. The COMT Guidance document has more information and suggestions for other activities for each question in the COMT and the COMT Plan Template can be used to track your plans and progress at a glance. Use these tools, or contact your regional vice president, area director or the ASSP Chapter Services team for support.

You must finalize your activities and information and submit this report during the submission period of June 7 - June 30, any SOG requirements (400 pts) missing can result in NO RECOGNITION. You must submit your final report no later than June 30, after that no changes will be allowed.

This tool also serves as your chapter's required annual report. The submission period is June 7 - June 30, during which time a submit button will appear on the final review page. Click submit after you have reviewed and verified all your information and no later than June 30.

If you ever have any questions about the functionality of the COMT or experience technical issues, please contact the [Chapter Services Team](#).

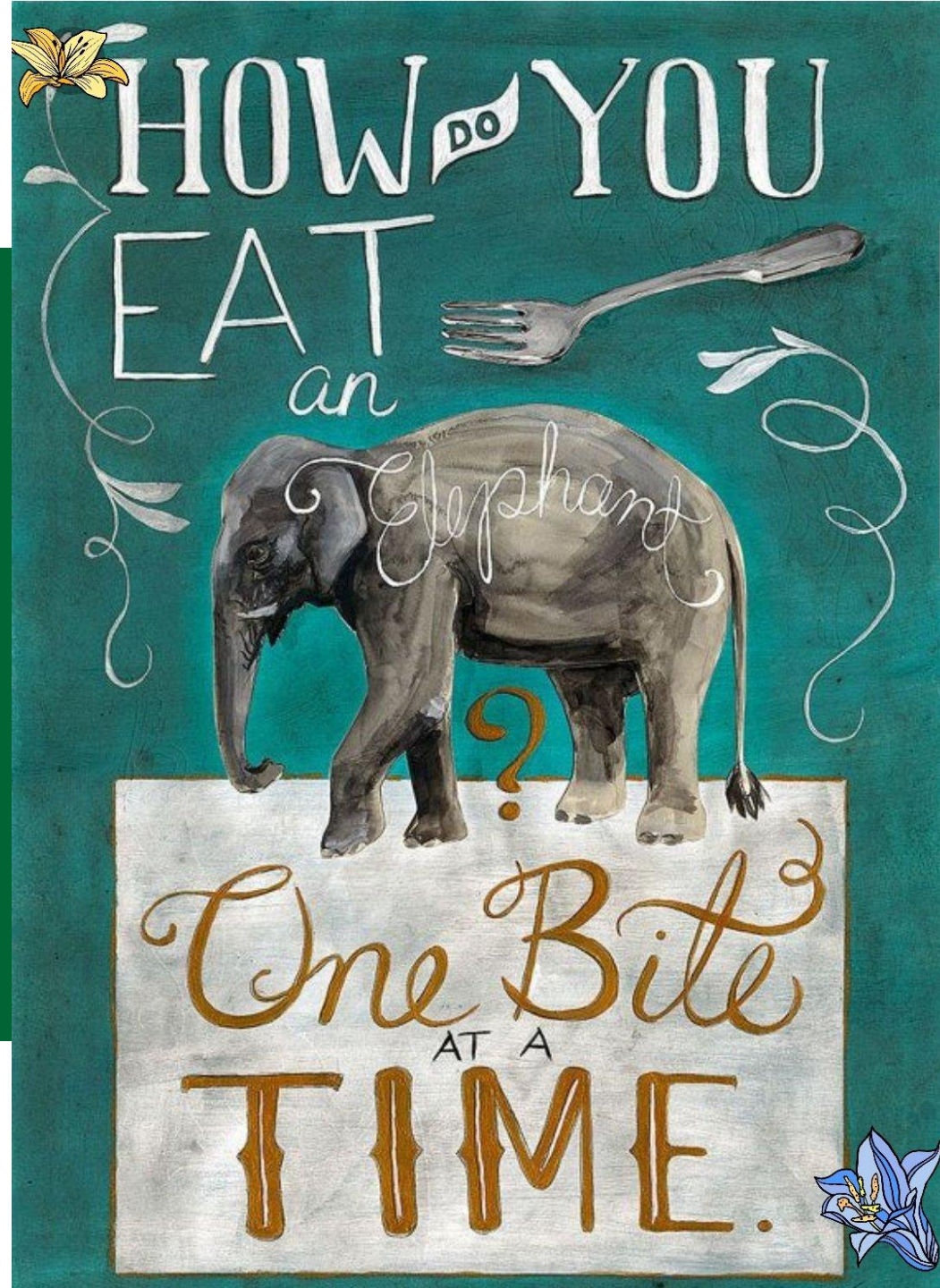
Your region is: **Region III**

Your chapter is: **South Texas Chapter**

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Chapter Operations Management Tool: Early Activities to Report

- Upload 2025 – 2026 Operational Plan by August 15
- July – September web updates
- Attend Fall Regional Operating Committee meeting
- Leader training & transition activities



Chapter Operations Management Tool: Road to Success is PLANNING!

President: Calendar Tracker



You will need to add in your own Executive Committee Meeting dates, Technical Meeting/Virtual Meeting/Tour dates, Socials, and anything else important that pops up! Plan out your year NOW to start strong and finish strong!



Month	Day	Activity	Location
July	1 st	New Chapter year begins	N/A
	16 th	Executive Committee - Annual Planning Meeting <i>*Review your Chapter Bylaws, Budget, Chapter Calendar</i>	TBD
	18 th	Summer ROC Meeting (virtual) & New Presidents Orientation – Kickoff!	Virtual
	21 st	ASSP Leadership Conference	Orlando, FL
	22 nd – 24 th	ASSP Safety 2025	Orlando, FL
	End-of-Month	Update Chapter website	Online
	End-of-Month	Check out your COMT link and get familiar	Online
August	15 th	Operational Plan must be uploaded to COMT!!!	Online
	TBD	Region III PDC Monthly Planning Call	Virtual
	TBD	Issue General Membership Poll for Valuable Feedback & COMT Points	Online/email
	End-of-Month	Update Chapter website	Online
	End-of-Month	Update your online COMT form	Online
September	1 st	President's Bi-Monthly Report Due to Your AD (July - August)	Virtual
	TBD	Region III Fall ROC Meeting	Tulsa, OK
	22 nd – 24 th	Region III PDC	Tulsa, OK
	22 nd – 24 th	Region III Student Leadership Conference	Tulsa, OK
	End-of-Month	Be sure your Chapter leaders have completed their online ASSP training	Virtual

October	End-of-Month	Update Chapter website	Online
	End-of-Month	Update your online COMT form	Online
	TBD	Leadership Conference	Virtual
	TBD	Region III Fall Town Hall Meeting	Virtual
November	End-of-Month	Update Chapter website	Online
	End-of-Month	Update your online COMT form	Online
	1 st	President's Bi-Monthly Report Due to Your AD (September – October)	Virtual
	TBD	Region III PDC Monthly Planning Call	Virtual
	EOM	Issue General Membership Poll for Valuable Feedback & COMT Points	Online/email
	End-of-Month	Update Chapter website	Online
December	End-of-Month	Update your online COMT form	Online
	TBD	Region III PDC Monthly Planning Call	Virtual
	End-of-Month	Update Chapter website	Online
	End-of-Month	Update your online COMT form	Online
January	1 st	President's Bi-Monthly Report Due to Your AD (November – December)	Virtual
	TBD	Region III PDC Monthly Planning Call	Virtual
	End-of-Month	Call for New Chapter Leadership Nominations for March Ballot	Virtual
	End-of-Month	Initiate Nominations & Elections (N&E) Committee; Initiate Awards & Honors Committee	N/A
	End-of-Month	Update Chapter website	Online
	End-of-Month	Update your online COMT form	Online
February	End-of-Month	Chapter SPY Award Selection	N/A



Chapter Operations Management Tool: Road to Success is PLANNING!

< > August 2025						
Sun 27	Mon 28	Tue 29	Wed 30	Thu 31	Fri 1	Sat 2
				REGION III - Hold your Annual Planning Meeting with your Chapter EC REGION III - Check the health of your online COMT – keep it current!		
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 3:00 PM 2025 Region III PDC Planning 3:00 PM [EXTERNAL] FW: [EXTERNAL] 2025 Region III PDC Planning Committee Meeting	13	14 12:00 PM DFW Environmental Pros' August Lunch-and-Learn	15 REGION III - Operational Plan must be uploaded to online COMT Form	16
17	18 8:30 AM Free DOT Hazmat/RCRA Training Webinar	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 REGION III - Issue General Membership Poll for Valuable Feedback & COMT Points REGION III - Update Your Chapter Website for COMT Credit REGION III - Check the health of your online COMT – keep it current!	30



Chapter President's Reports



Chapter President's Bi-Monthly Report

President: _____ Date: _____

Chapter: _____

CHAPTER UPDATES

Finances:

Membership and Recruitment:

Upcoming Events and Activities:
Executive Committee Meetings –

Chapter Meetings –

Events and Activities –

SECTION UPDATES

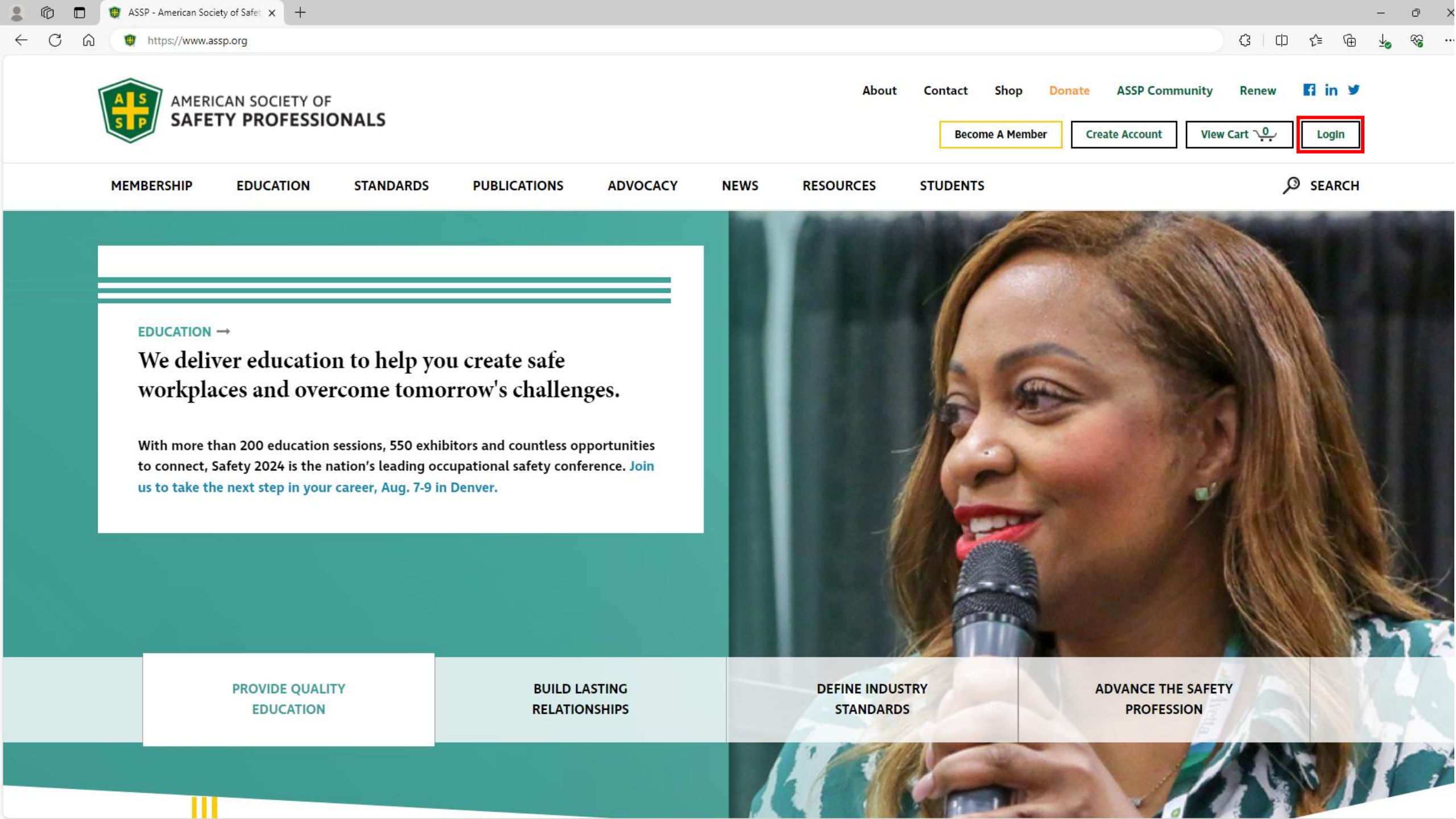
Section Meetings –

Events and Activities –



Sniffing Around Together





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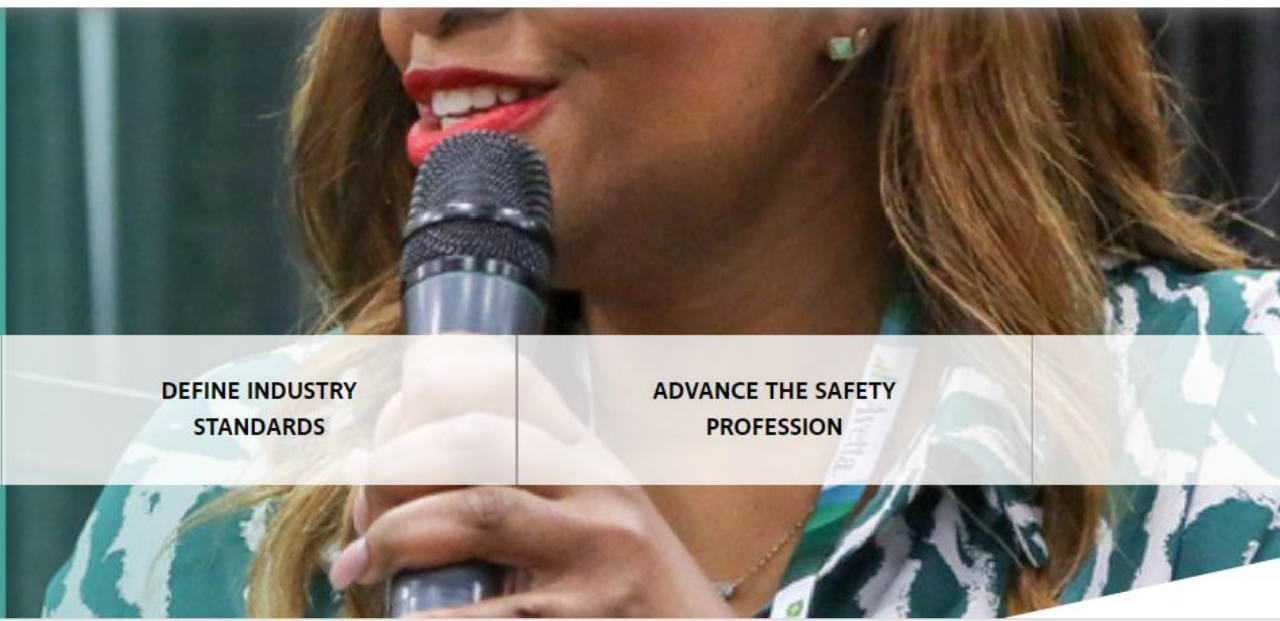
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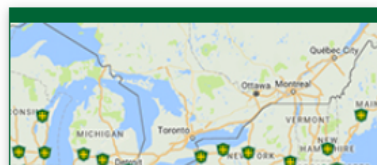
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Community Leader Resources

Whether you are getting ready to step up as a leader of your member community, have just taken office or have been involved for years, we want to ensure that you have the tools and resources you need to be a successful volunteer leader.

Explore the opportunities and resources for your community.



Community Leader Resources

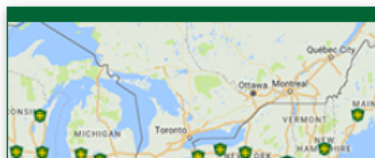
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REGION III...	END-OF-TERM	AWARDS	ASSP GEAR	STUDENT SECTIONS
CEUs	ELECTIONS,...	ROLE...	TRAVEL	NEW PRESIDENTS...
BI-MONTHLY...	SPEAKER LISTS	SCHOLARSHIPS	REGION III...	ANNIVERSERIES
ROC MEETINGS	MONTHLY...	FINANCIALS	TRAINING	MEETINGS
COMMUNICATIONS	PDC	CONTACTS	COMT	

PRESIDENT YEAR... 2024-2025 ASSP...

President: Calendar Tracker

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2024-2025 ASSP Chapter Term – Key Dates



Annual Chapter Operations Planning



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ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Current 2022-2023 Chapter calendar
- 2) Detailed COMT checklist planner

Chapter Annual Planning Report

Chapter Name: Southwest Chapter

Chapter Year: 2022-2023

Chapter goals for this chapter year

Select 1 – 3 goals your chapter will focus on this year.

- Working with Students members
- Conduct a PDC or other training options
- Recognize members
- Contact members who are not attending meetings for input
- Update website - communicate with members
- More member involvement

1. Conduct a PDC and increase attendance from prior years

*Goal: Obtain over 150 actual attendees for the PDC (not counting sponsors/speakers/etc.)

2. Update website regularly with photographs, event information, etc. to communicate with members

*Goal: Ensure website is updated at least monthly with meeting/event announcements, photographs, and other media.

3. More member involvement and participation in events/meeting

*Goal: Obtain at least 25 participants at each meeting, whether in-person or virtual

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ASSP Chapter Resources

People	Tools	Processes
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ RVP■ Area Directors■ Executive Committee■ Other Chapter Presidents■ Society Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Community Leader Resources■ COMT■ COMT Tracker■ Google Drives■ Society Emails■ Survey Tools■ ASSP Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Operational Plans■ Succession Planning■ Nominations and Elections■ Transition Meetings

Regional Updates



Region III Professional Development Conf

Event Information:



For more information and to register: <https://regionthreepdc.com/>


Region III Operating Committee (ROC) Meeting

Event Information:

- Sunday, September 21st, 2025 in Tulsa, OK
- Please arrive by Saturday, September 20th, 2025
- Please be ready to report out to the ROC on your Chapter
 - template for report to be sent out prior.

Region III Student Leadership Conference & Golf Tournament

REGION III ASSP PRESENTS



2025 STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE


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Resume Reviews - Expert Panel - Professional Headshots - And more!

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SEPTEMBER 2025

Hard Rock Hotel - Tulsa, OK

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REGION III GOLF TOURNAMENT

... 21 SEPTEMBER 2025



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The Future of Region III



Areas of Focus this Term



- Adding two more (virtual) ROC meetings = makes 4 total
- Hosting two Region III virtual Town Hall meetings
- Social media collaboration to reach broader audiences
- Greater cross-collaboration amongst Chapters and across the Region for meetings, events, initiatives, etc.
- Including VPs, as well as Presidents, in all meetings & trainings

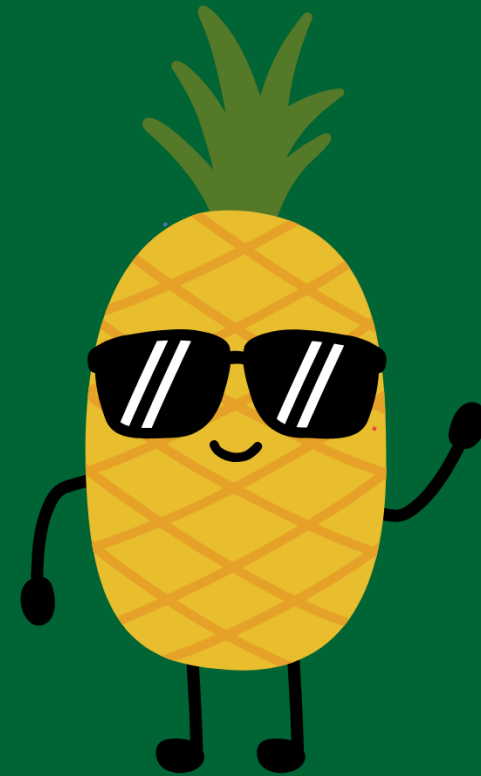
ARVP Initiatives



2026 Region III PDC Venue



Action Items



Action Items

- 1) Meet with your Executive Committee Members:
 - Host your Chapter's EC Annual Planning Meeting
 - Brainstorm on activities and events for this year
 - Fill out the Annual Chapter Operational Plan
 - **Upload it into the COMT by August 15th, 2025**
- 2) Get your calendar set up!
- 3) Instruct each one of your officers to take their required Role Training in the Community Leader Resources
- 4) Update your Chapter Webpages:
 - Start with your Chapter's Homepage and Officer pages
 - Request and post your Executive Committee's professional headshots
- 5) Update your ASSP account to reflect your current title & headshot
- 6) Stay connected on Social Media



Stay Connected

ASSP Region III

- Website: www.region3.ASSP.org/
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/region-iii-assp-647657250>
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Any Questions?



**THANK YOU
FOR
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