



JANUARY NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1st Thursday of every Month- Battleground, Deer Park
- Award nominations
- Grants and Scholarships
- Clear Values

What are your New Years'



ASSP AWARDS

CHAPTER SPY AWARD DUE - FEBRUARY 1ST, 2025

REGION III SPY - APRIL 1ST, 2025 SUBMISSION DEADLINE

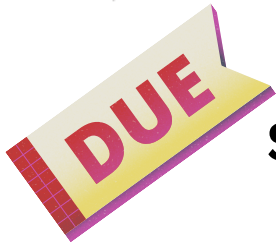
PRESIDENTS AWARD DUE - APRIL 15TH 2025

REGION III HONORSHALL OF FAME (HOF)- APRIL 1ST, 2025

SOCIETY SPY AWARD- NOVEMBER 1ST 2025
(ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION COMING SOON)

[Click here for SPY application](#)

Email application to GCCupdates@gulfcoast.assp.org



Accepting nominations For Chapter “SPY” SAFETY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR Due February 1st, 2025

PURPOSE & ELIGIBILITY

The ASSP Chapter SPY award is an honor acknowledging the dedication and outstanding contributions of a member to a specific Chapter. To be eligible nominees must:

- Be a Professional Member, Member or International Member in good standing of their Chapter and the Society.
- Not have received this award within the past five (5) years.
- Be engaged in full-time employment in the profession of protecting people, property and the environment.

Nominees are not eligible if they are currently serving as a member of the Board of Directors or the Chapter Awards Committee, or have been elected an ASSP fellow.

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We Appreciate Your Commitment to Safety and ASSP

**Each year, ASSP honors members who advance the safety profession, and who produce excellent results within their own organizations or within an ASSP member community.
Such recognition is both personally fulfilling and professionally rewarding.**

Outstanding Safety Educator

This award recognizes exceptional educators who show the highest level of achievement in occupational safety and health (OSH) teaching, scholarship and professional service as part of ASSP.

[Who is eligible?](#)

Safety Professional of the Year

This award recognizes a safety professional who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the safety field, while also making significant contributions to advancing the profession.

[What are the criteria?](#)

President's Award

Each year, the current ASSP president presents this award to recognize special service to the organization.

[Learn about this award](#)

Charles V. Culbertson

Outstanding Volunteer Service Award

This award recognizes ASSP members who provide outstanding service to ASSP and help our organization record special achievements. Nominees are selected by members of ASSP's Board of Directors.

[When is this award presented?](#)

Council on Practices and Standards Awards

These awards recognize members for outstanding service to ASSP through our Council on Practices and Standards, which oversees our practice specialty and common interest group member communities.

[Be recognized by peers](#)

Leading with our CLEAR Values

ASSP's new strategic plan incorporates these five values:

- **Community:** We provide a welcoming and collaborative environment that creates belonging and inclusivity for all.
- **Leadership:** We exemplify integrity and empower others.
- **Excellence:** We strive always to deliver our best.
- **Accountability:** We are ethical, reliable and trustworthy in all we do.
- **Respect:** We act with humility, listen to others and foster strong working relationships.

Together, they form the acronym **CLEAR**, which can help us easily recall and readily share them with other stakeholders across the ASSP ecosystem. Let's take a closer look at each.



Help us GROW & Refer a Member !!! Annual Member-Get- A- Member Program



ASSP's annual member referral program returns in 2025. Share the benefits and resources ASSP offers with safety colleagues, directing potential members to the ASSP website to encourage them to join the Gulf Coast Society.

The more people you refer, the more rewards you can earn, such as a **1-year membership** extension, an on-demand webinar, or a \$50 Amazon gift card.

For every complete member referral, the referring member will receive an entry in the grand prize drawing for a trip to ASSP's annual professional development conference, which includes full conference registration, 3 nights' hotel accommodations, and a \$250 gift card for expenses.

Learn more at <https://assp.us/38VZ7kF>.

Government Affairs Update

OSHA Trade Release

Department of Labor completes restructuring of OSHA regional offices, adds new Birmingham region to improve operations

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration has completed changes to restructure its regional operations and create a new region in Birmingham, Alabama. OSHA's intent with the new Birmingham Region is to make workplaces safer and healthier by giving workers a voice and promoting equitable quality service with commitment and respect.

Among the changes is the creation of a new region based in Birmingham to serve Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and the Florida Panhandle.

OSHA has combined operations that had been designated as Regions 9 and 10 to create a new San Francisco Region, to improve the ability of OSHA to deploy resources and serve workers in the new region.

The agency will now also use geographic designations to identify its regions rather than numerals.

OSHA has renamed the regions using the following designations:

Current regional assignment	New regional designation
Region 1	Boston Region
Region 2	New York City Region
Region 3	Philadelphia Region
Region 4	Atlanta Region
Region 5	Chicago Region
Region 6	Dallas Region
Region 7	Kansas City Region
Region 8	Denver Region
Regions 9 and 10	San Francisco Region
	Birmingham Region

STANDARDS UPDATES

Revised ANSI/ASSP A10.1 Standard Aims to Improve Construction & Demolition Operations

ANSI has approved the revision of ANSI/ASSP A10.1-2024, "Pre-Project & Pre-Task Safety and Health Planning." The updated standard will be published soon. [Learn about A10 standards](#)

ANSI/ASSP A10.48 New Leadership Announced

ASSP recently confirmed a new leadership team for the A10.48 Subgroup Committee. Kathy Stieler, NATE's director of safety, health and compliance, will chair the committee, and Dominique Valdez, a member of NATE's board, will serve as committee liaison. This committee oversees development of ANSI/ASSP A10.48-2023, "Standard – Criteria for Safety Practices with the Construction, Demolition, Modification and Maintenance of Communications Structures," which serves as the industry's "playbook" and provides comprehensive safety guidance for the entire tower construction, service and maintenance activities. [Read more](#)

WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE OUR NEW VOLUNTEER FOR
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS – JEFFREY MORROW.



**THE 2025 PDC WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY,
APRIL 10TH, 2025
AT THE NORRIS CONFERENCE CENTER, CITYCENTER
816 TOWN & COUNTRY BLVD., SUITE 210.**

THIS ANNUAL PDC PROVIDES ONE OF THE MOST SOUGHT AFTER EVENTS FOR ATTENDEES TO LEARN THE PROFESSION'S BEST PRACTICES FOCUSING ON SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. THE PDC IS ATTENDED BY OVER 200+ ATTENDEES ANNUALLY AND FEATURES AN EXHIBITION OF OVER 30+ SPONSORS AND VENDORS. THE EVENT FEATURES A KEYNOTE SPEAKER AND 16

BREAKOUT SESSIONS WITH FOUR CONCURRENT TRACKS RUNNING THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE AN ASSP OR AIHA MEMBER TO ATTEND.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CONTACT US AT [SAFETY@GULFCOASTPDC.COM](mailto:safety@gulfcoastpdc.com) OR BY CALLING ERIKA MAY AT 661-472-6591.

Register Here

Call for Speakers!!

Submit a proposal for review by the Conference Planning Committee.

We evaluate speaker proposals objectively, taking into consideration several criteria and proposal guidelines.

Submissions for proposals are now open.

CHECK OUT THE LATEST PODCASTS FROM ASSE

ASSP's The Case for Safety podcast features conversations with safety experts, sharing ideas and insights that OSH professionals can use to help their organizations improve worker safety and health. With new episodes available every other week, the podcast series is free to access on the ASSP website. Listeners can also subscribe on Spotify and Apple Podcasts.

Visit <https://assp.us/podcast> to listen to the latest episodes.



ASSP Grants & Scholarships

The ASSP Foundation offers career development grants that you can use to support your professional development. Applications Grants are accepted year-round, with awards made on a rolling basis, based on availability.

Apply here

<https://asspfoundation.secure-platform.com/a/organizations/main/solicitations/login/10>