



AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES  
*California*



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## ACEC California is...

a 50 plus year-old, nonprofit association of private consulting engineering and land surveying firms. As a statewide organization, we are dedicated to enhancing the consulting engineering and land surveying professions, protecting the general public and promoting use of the private sector in the growth and development of our state. Our members provide services for all phases of planning, designing, and constructing projects. We serve over 20 different disciplines of engineering, land surveying and geologists. We are the largest state organization of the American Council of Engineering Companies and are dedicated to building a better California.



# LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

## ACEC CALIFORNIA SPONSORS AND SUPPORTS LEGISLATION THAT AFFECTS THE BUSINESS INTEREST AND PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY OF MEMBER FIRMS

### Struck Down Prop 224 and Championed Prop 35

ACEC CA's Legislative efforts in the promotion and defense of our industry have defeated anti-contracting out initiatives and protected the ability of local/state agencies to contract out for design services to the private sector, creating thousands of opportunities for public-private partnerships and positively impacting our members' bottom line.

### Sponsored SB 496 (2017)

In 2017, ACEC California passed legislation representing a major step forward in reducing the uninsurable burden of indemnity provisions and the duty to defend for most public and private contracts signed by design professionals.



### Legislative Efforts

Through ACEC California, members have a strong voice at all levels of government. For over 50 years, we have worked diligently to support bills that positively impact engineering and land surveying firms and defeat bills that would restrict proper business practice, damage the business climate or prevent design firms from competing effectively for work.

**WE GET RESULTS!**

## + NETWORKING & COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS



MEMBERSHIP IN ACEC CALIFORNIA GIVES FIRMS THE UNIQUE ABILITY TO NETWORK WITH OTHER FIRMS, PUBLIC AGENCIES, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND KEEP THEIR FINGERS ON THE PULSE OF OUR INDUSTRY

## 22 REGIONAL CHAPTERS

ACEC California has 22 regional chapters meeting on a monthly basis. In order to keep the chapter involved in matters that affect your region, ACEC California Chapters feature guest speakers to discuss topics of regional significance. Chapter involvement is a great way to network with other consulting professionals, elected officials and Public agencies.

## ACEC California Committees

ACEC California has over 25 member-led committees dedicated to keeping members active and committing their voice to the direction of our organization. These committees ensure we are at the forefront of issues and initiatives that impact consulting professions in California.

## Conferences & Leadership Workshops

ACEC California provides several opportunities for members from across the state to gather, network, take part in workshops and help guide the organization. Quarterly Board Meetings, the Annual Conference, Legislative Visit Day and the Engineering Excellence Awards keep ACEC California members a unified and effective force in California.



# ACEC Trust Programs...

ACEC has developed 3 Trusts, allowing our member to benefit from the purchasing power of ACEC. These Trusts save our members money, enhance membership investment and control your firms' costs. We've created partnerships with reputable administrators and plan providers to offer our members valuable service with quality and competitive prices.

+ MEMBER-ONLY  
AFFINITY  
PROGRAMS



**Life/Health Trust**

The ACEC Life/Health Trust oversees a program that provides life and health insurance coverage for participating ACEC member firms. The program offers flexible benefits designed by engineers for engineers. You'll find the right plans for your whole firm in one place. With the program, you're backed by the group purchasing power of more than 1,350 firms and 50,000 participants. **A firm of 50 employees sees an average savings of \$19,159!!!**

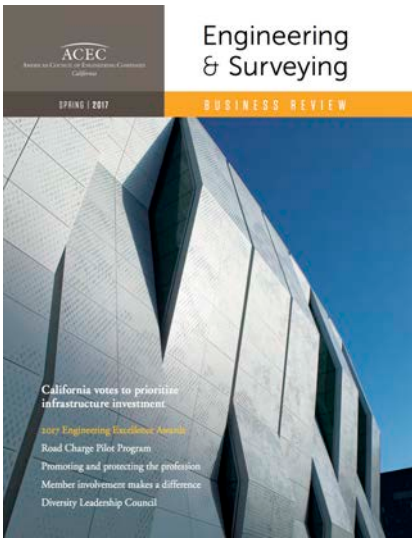
**Business Insurance Trust**

The ACEC Business Insurance Trust provides business and professional liability insurance coverage for participating ACEC member firms. The program offers policyholders tailored coverage along broad policy terms and conditions. Member only discount and Deductible Assistance Program save members money.

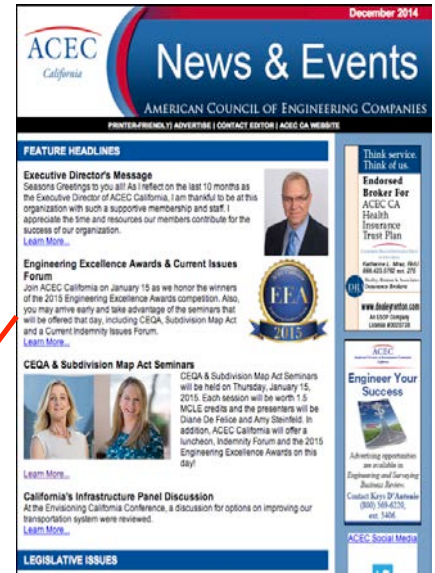
**A firm of 50 employees sees an average savings of \$9,840!!!**

**Retirement Trust**

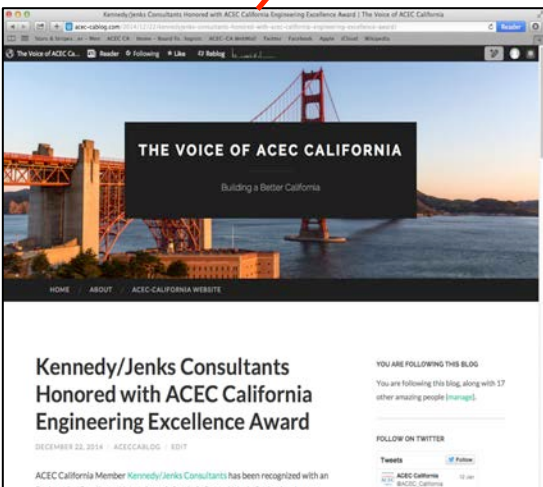
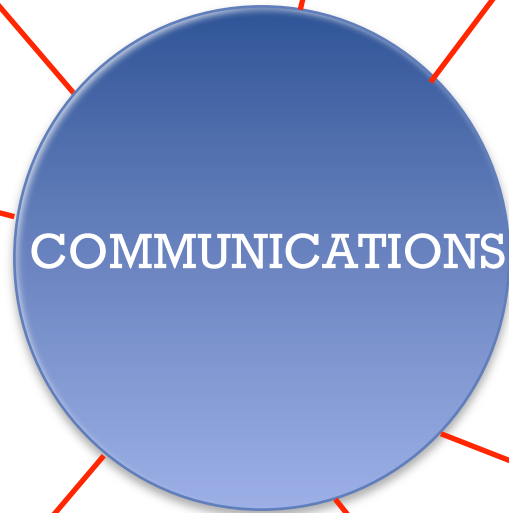
The ACEC Retirement Trust provides retirement plans for participating ACEC member firms, offering full service 401(k), Profit Sharing and Money Purchase. A dedicated service team ensures professional assistance with all aspects of administering the plans and Defined Benefit plans with discounted fee schedules to all member firms. **A firm of 50 employees sees an average savings of \$14,750!!!**



**Engineering and Surveying Business Review**, ACEC California's bi-annual magazine, gives members insight into important industry issues from various points of view, including member firms, public agencies, staff, elected officials and other statewide organizations.



ACEC California's monthly newsletter, **News & Events**, keeps members up to date with what is happening in California. Upcoming events, **Legislative Issues**, **Local Chapter News** and announcements keep member involved.



The blog, **The Voice of ACEC California**, shares news on members firms and opinions on current

**Legislative Brief** is ACEC California's weekly review of legislative actions affecting your firm.



## + ADDITIONAL MEMBER BENEFITS



**ACEC CALIFORNIA** is dedicated to ensuring firms get the most out of their membership, and we've created several ways for members firms to save money, stay up to date on industry changes in California and participate in advancing our profession. **MEMBERSHIP DOES HAVE ITS PRIVILEGES!**

### FREE STANDARD FORMS OF AGREEMENT

Free for our members, our Standard Forms of Agreement can save a firm thousands of dollars on fees in developing contracts

### ACEC CALIFORNIA SALARY SURVEY

Offered at a discount for members, the salary survey provides useful benchmarking information for comparing salaries and benefits, assisting in attracting, supporting and retaining employees

### CALIFORNIA STATUTE PUBLICATIONS

These 8 California Statute books ensure that your firm has the latest laws on areas including: CEQA, Subdivision Map Act, Prevailing Wage, Water Law, etc. ACEC California updates these books annually and offers discounts for members.

### ACEC CALIFORNIA WHITE PAPERS

Each year ACEC California produces an authoritative report on our industries' most pressing issues. The white papers are widely distributed and help California understand our issues and engage in solutions.

### AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

ACEC California strives to promote and recognize the accomplishments of private engineers and land surveyors through its Engineering Excellence Awards. Every year ACEC California assists the future of the industry by awarding scholarships from our Foundation.

### ACEC DISCOUNT PROGRAMS

ACEC offers discounts of up to 30% on services designed for member firms and employees. These discounts apply to Hertz Car Rental, Dell, FedEx, HP Business and many other companies to help your business.

## HELP ACEC CALIFORNIA



***"Build a Better California!"***