

## Member benefits

- Discount pricing on training courses
- Discount pricing for materials
- Opportunity to participate in the Certificate of Recognition program (COR)
- Opportunity to participate in the Small Employer Certificate of Recognition program (SECOR)
- Exclusive invitations and discounts to ACSA events
- Networking opportunities, including the opportunity to join one of our eight Regional Safety Committees
- Participation in ACSA supported campaigns
- ACSA communications, such as the Alberta Toolbox Magazine, monthly newsletter 'ACSA Update', course information emails and more!

**We achieve success in safety training through resolutely pursuing our vision and mission.**

## Our Vision

*Lives lived safely.*

## Our Mission

*To create and share resources and services to promote health and safety values.*

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Welcome to

# YOUR ACSA

*Your community of partners in safety*



## What we do

The Alberta Construction Safety Association (ACSA) is Alberta's partner in construction safety. Through our training & certification programs, we work hard to connect a community of safety leaders in the province's construction industry. Our members include all employers with a valid WCB account that fall under specified industry codes within the construction sector. With almost 40,000 active company members, we are the largest safety association in the province.

We provide unmatched quality in safety training, deliver the COR/SECOR certification programs, and administer the National Construction Safety Officer (NCSO) and Health & Safety Administrator (HSA) designations. Since our inception in 1988, over 15,000 people have forged careers as designated safety leaders. More than 5,000 companies maintain their COR through us.

## COR & SECOR

There are almost 11,000 active Certificate of Recognition (COR) and Small Employer Certificate of Recognition (SECOR) holders in Alberta, about 50 per cent of which were achieved and maintained through the ACSA.

A COR/SECOR shows that an employer's Health and Safety Management System has been evaluated by a certified auditor and meets provincial standards established by Alberta Occupational Health and Safety.

A COR/SECOR will help an employer create a proactive workplace health and safety culture, while also reducing the risk and loss associated with workplace incidents. This, in turn, will lower WCB rates and qualify a company for WCB PIR refunds. Overall, the efficiency of worksites is vastly improved!

## NCSO & HSA Designations

The ACSA offers a path to earning one of two construction safety designations: National Construction Safety Officer (NCSO) and Health & Safety Administrator (HSA). These designations indicate that an individual has training in various construction-related health & safety management systems and principles. People who complete our program are ready to begin the career-long process of becoming an expert and leader in construction safety.

## Who we are

The Alberta Construction Safety Association (ACSA) is an independent not-for-profit society, registered under the Alberta Societies Act in 1988. Our members include any employer with a valid account that falls under specified industry codes within the construction class, as recognized by the Workers' Compensation Board Alberta (WCB). Associate memberships are available to non-construction based companies and those outside of Alberta with annual fees based on the number of employees.

We invest in our people, providing caring and comfortable workplace environments. With over 60 friendly staff working across our three offices in Edmonton, Calgary and Fort McMurray and through our professionalism, breadth of knowledge and resolute pursuit of excellence, we are able to be the unique, vocal leader in our field.

Ultimately, it is the dedication and unrelenting efforts of our people that has created and connected a community of safety leaders in the province's construction industry, and enables employees and employers to make workplaces safer.



**Dan MacLennan,**  
Executive Director



**Tammy Hawkins,**  
Chief Operations Officer



**Neil Moffat,**  
Chair

## Our history

2018 marks the ACSA's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The ACSA originated as a safety committee for the Alberta Construction Association (ACA) in 1975 and was officially registered under The Alberta Societies Act on November 9, 1988 as an independent registered not-for-profit organization.

Since our inception, we have built a solid and trustworthy reputation for leading safety training in Alberta and throughout Canada. Construction companies in Alberta rely on us for their safety training.

The Government of Alberta reports that since the ACSA was established in 1988, safety performance in Alberta has improved. Over the past 30 years, the number of lost-time claims (claims resulting in a worker's time off work) has decreased by almost half, from over 7,100 to just under 3,800. These figures are even more impressive by the fact that currently, there are 45,000 more companies working in the construction industry in Alberta than there were in 1988.

## Connecting a safety community

In partnership with a growing safety community, we build links and connections with our stakeholders and industry partners, influencing change and instilling a culture of safety. We aim to champion the safety spirit, empowering employees and employers to make workplaces safer.

Our interaction with employers and employees in construction is greatly enhanced by the outstanding work and commitment of our eight (8) Regional Safety Committees.

Comprised of representatives from construction and trades associations, the committees are active in identifying regional and trade-specific health and safety training needs. They are also involved in developing solutions to safety problems in the construction industry, particularly at the local level.

## Our members & partners

Our funding is provided in part through the Alberta Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) levies. We are also governed by a Board of Directors, comprised of members from the construction industry, trade associations, and eight regions.

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An ACSA member is a company whose Alberta WCB industry code falls under Construction/Construction Trade Services. The employer pays a levy to the ACSA through their WCB account fees and in return receives an automatic ACSA membership. We also offer annual Associate Memberships for non-member companies that fall outside of the required WCB industry code.

Innovation and change are driven through collaboration. Through strategic partnerships and the hard work of our Regional Safety Committees, we strengthen our connection with stakeholders and the general public and expand our reach to communities, not just within the province of Alberta, but across Canada. We are proud to partner with a wide range of provincial and national bodies to raise awareness on critical issues as well as assist in promoting campaigns that support our mandate.



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