

Associated Builders and Contractors Mission Statement

ABC will continually strive to be the leading voice promoting free enterprise within the construction industry. ABC will promote and defend the merit shop philosophy. This philosophy encourages open competition and a free-enterprise approach to construction based solely on merit, regardless of labor affiliation.

Safety Committee Mission Statement

The Safety Committee of ABC Greater Houston will enable members to have access to the latest and best safety practices in order to become the premier choice for construction services. The committee shall encourage all members to embrace the most rigorous and effective safety practices and make safety the fundamental element of all workplace activity.

Safety Committee Goals

- I. Provide members best safety practices.
 - Maintain (i.e., keep current) the Construction Safety Manual CD.
 - Promote the value of STEP
 - Create a safety program whose focus is on small contractors.
 - Committee evaluates the effectiveness of proposed standards and regulations.

- II. Supply best safety education tools to members.
 - Promote Construction Site Safety certifications (i.e. CSST, CSSS) with owner organization
 - Maintain (i.e., keep current) the Construction Safety Program CD
 - Identify products (i.e., some for cost and some free products) for members, and show those products via web-links. This includes an evaluation of those products.
 - Provide safety news articles for Build Houston
 - Keep up to date the safety section of the ABC website

- III. Promote the value of a safe work environment.
 - Provide peer support through monthly seminars (e.g., Brown Bag Seminars)
 - Maintain partnership with OSHA
 - Continue to provide members jobsite posters.
 - Committee evaluates the effectiveness of proposed standards and regulations.
 - Committee evaluates the effectiveness of safety education via analysis of the Gulf Coast Safety Institute's safety survey results

- IV. Promote safety management education to members
 - Provide safety management course(s) directed to company owners [i.e., those companies who do not have full- or part-time safety staff]
 - Create a safety program whose focus is on small contractors.



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