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Joining a MOCPA Committee or Chapter Task Force can help you build your business network, gain valuable leadership skills, and give back to the CPA profession.

MOCPA COMMITTEE AND CHAPTER TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP

- Committee and Chapter Task Force service is open to all MOCPA members. No prior experience is required.
- Membership terms run from July 1 through June 30.
- Chapter Task Forces meet several times throughout the year depending on the number of activities scheduled. These meetings may be held virtually or in-person.
- Committees meet quarterly, virtually or in-person. Some committees may vary from this schedule based on their activities.

JOIN A CHAPTER TASK FORCE

Volunteer opportunities are available on the local level through MOCPA Chapter Task Forces. As a MOCPA member, you are automatically assigned to a chapter based on your geographical area. Chapter Task Forces provide members the opportunity to help shape the type of programming MOCPA offers in each region.

Chapter engagement includes the following task forces and initiatives:

- **Community Outreach:** Provides an outlet for chapter members to give back and become engaged in their local community.

Activities include volunteering with local causes such as Step Challenge, area food banks, Ronald McDonald House, KidSmart, Junior Achievement BizTown, Happy Bottoms, and Stray Rescue of St. Louis.

- **Student Pipeline and Professional Outreach:** Helps members connect and expand their network, as well as engages accounting students and those entering the profession.

Activities include hosting programs such as Tuesday Talks with CPAs and Students, Meet the Firms, Mock CPA Exams, UWorld/Rogers Tips for Passing the CPA Exam, and CPA Game Plan; informing students about career opportunities in the accounting profession (e.g., serve on panels, speak to accounting clubs, Beta Alpha Psi, and high schools); welcoming and inviting new student members to attend chapter events; and congratulating recent exam passers and inviting them to MOCPA's Awards Celebrations.

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- **Professional Learning and Networking:** Plans networking events and short professional development courses on current accounting issues.

Activities include hosting networking events and happy hours with other professional organizations, Cocktails and Conversations, trivia and game nights, Professional Development for Busy Women: The CliffsNotes, TopGolf outing, pickleball tournament, and planning educational sessions on hot topics.

JOIN A COMMITTEE

Belonging to a MOCPA Committee allows you to connect with peers statewide in your niche practice area. Your shared challenges, best practices, and collaborative ideas help shape the future of MOCPA and the profession. Committee service provides the following benefits:

- **Relationships/Networking**—Build stronger relationships with other CPAs in your area of interest and establish life-long connections with your peers.
- **Development**—Uncover business insights you can immediately apply and use in your professional and personal growth.
- **Leadership Opportunities**—Gain invaluable experience that can elevate your career path.
- **Pay It Forward**—Contribute to the advancement of MOCPA and the profession by giving back.
- **Community**—Belong to a valuable community of knowledgeable and helpful CPAs.
- **Sneak Peaks**—Receive updates on new and legislative issues concerning the profession.



ACCOUNTING & AUDITING

Staff Contact: Kathy Meyer | kmeyer@mocpa.org and Patti Woods | pwoods@mocpa.org

Goal: Further the development and recognition of accounting and auditing standards, stimulate members' understanding and compliance, and provide a forum for technical discussions and questions. Discuss best practices for onboarding new staff and auditing clients in a virtual world.



AUDITS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Staff Contact: Dan Koontz | dkoontz@mocpa.org

Goal: Extend the development and proper application of governmental accounting and auditing standards for Missouri school districts, as well as promote the value of CPA services to State Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and local school district officials.

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BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

Staff Contact: Andrew Grow | agrow@mocpa.org

Goal: Provide a platform for members in private industry, who are often the only CPA in their department or company, to explore topics including managing and supporting internal finance, control, strategy, and other important roles. Network with CFOs, controllers, finance staff in various sized companies.



DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Staff Contact: Dena Hull | dhull@mocpa.org

Goal: Increase diversity and inclusion in the profession in Missouri through recruitment, retention, and advancement strategies.



GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING

Staff Contact: Dan Koontz | dkoontz@mocpa.org

Goal: Further the development and proper application of accounting and auditing standards for state and local governments. Bring to the attention of the responsible officials of state government, cities, and other political subdivisions, the value of services which can be rendered to them in the public interest by CPAs.



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND ASSURANCE SERVICES

Staff Contact: Christy Aven | caven@mocpa.org

Goal: Discuss and provide technological resources and strategies that help CPAs better serve their clients and organizations.

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NOT FOR PROFIT

Staff Contact: Dan Koontz | dkoontz@mocpa.org

Goal: Encourage collaboration and conversations leading to excellence in managing not-for-profit entities and in the performance of professional services.



PROFESSIONAL ETHICS

Staff Contact: Kathy Meyer | kmeyer@mocpa.org

Goal: Promote the highest standards of professional conduct among MOCPA members and within the CPA profession. Investigate potential disciplinary matters involving members and assess sanctions where the committee finds prima facie evidence of infractions of MOCPA's Bylaws or of the Code of Professional Conduct.



SMALL FIRM LEADERSHIP

Staff Contact: Andrew Grow | agrow@mocpa.org

Goal: Help sole proprietors and small firms grow their circle of peers and learn from the experiences and knowledge of others through dynamic discussion topics, which are determined by the group. Discuss best practices for onboarding in a virtual world.



TAXATION

Staff Contact: Dena Hull | dhull@mocpa.org

Goal: Increase members' awareness of the responsibilities and opportunities for service in the various areas of taxation. Distribute information to members on federal, state, and local taxation. Make recommendations for improving tax processes and structures.

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TECHNICAL ISSUES GROUP (A&A)

Staff Contact: Dena Hull | dhull@mocpa.org

Goal: Respond to publicly issued exposure drafts of proposed accounting and auditing standards, rules and regulations issued by FASB, GASB, FASAB, SEC, AICPA, OMB, GAO, PCAOB, IASB, COSO and other accounting and auditing standard setting bodies that have an impact on the practice of accountancy in Missouri.



TRANSFORMATION COMMITTEE

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Goal: Prepare MOCPA members and their employers for digital transformation. Enhance awareness among CPAs, employers, students, and educators of the changes, challenges, and opportunities coming to the profession by way of technology disruption. Develop educational events and resources to educate those in the profession.



WEALTH MANAGEMENT

Staff Contacts: Andrew Grow | agrow@mocpca.org

Goal: Promote and enhance learning, generate thought leadership, and provide engagement activities for CPAs in the wealth management sector. Guide and support CPAs who are interested in wealth management careers.



WOMEN'S INITIATIVES

Staff Contact: Dena Hull | dhull@mocpa.org and Dana Seipp | dseipp@mocpa.org

Goal: Advise on the development of educational programs, connections events, mentoring programs, and other relevant activities of value to women in the accounting profession.

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YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

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Goal: Increase membership involvement and engagement among young professionals while providing them with the resources they need to stay connected with their peers, the community and the profession. Promote leadership development.

GET ENGAGED ON MOCPA CONNECT

How often have you turned to a colleague for help with a tough question? Or maybe you don't have access to someone with the necessary skills and knowledge to consult. Now with MOCPA Connect, you can enhance and expand your network by building relationships within a community of your peers through mutual support and collaboration.

MOCPA Connect is a members-only online community allowing you to exchange information within accounting-specific groups.

You can access MOCPA Connect at connect.mocpa.org and log in with your MOCPA website username and password. From there, you can:

- Locate and join specialized group discussions;
- Post on industry hot topics;
- Ask questions and offer expert answers;
- Share resources through articles, white papers and links to professional resources;
- Discover alternate approaches, new ideas, thought processes, and problem solving; and
- Voice common concerns.

Once you have logged in and joined the groups that interest you, you'll be notified of all new group discussions via email. You can even respond to conversations right from your email inbox on your desktop or mobile device. MOCPA Connect is an online member community that allows community to ask and respond to questions, collaborate, and share with fellow members like never before!

For more information, please contact Dana Seipp at (800) 264-7966, ext. 123 or dseipp@mocpa.org.

SIGN UP TODAY!

The easiest way to join a MOCPA Committee and Chapter Task Force is to visit mocpa.org/application and make your selections online.

If you prefer to complete the following form by hand, please mail to:
Missouri Society of CPAs | 540 Maryville Centre Drive, Ste. 200; St. Louis, MO 63141

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MOCPA COMMITTEES AND CHAPTER TASK FORCE REQUEST FORM

Choose a chapter task force and/or committee:*

CHAPTER TASKFORCE

- Community Outreach Professional Learning & Networking Student Pipeline & Professional Outreach

COMMITTEE NAME

- Accounting & Auditing Information Technology Technical Issues Group
 Audits of School Districts Not For Profit Transformation
 Business & Industry Professional Ethics Wealth Management
 Diversity & Inclusion Small Firm Leadership Women's Initiatives
 Governmental Accounting Taxation Young Professionals

*You may serve on more than one chapter task force or committee.

INFORMATION

Name: _____

MOCPA Membership Number: _____

Firm/Company Name: _____

Preferred Mailing Address: Work Home

Preferred Telephone Number: (_____) _____ - _____ Mobile Work Home

Preferred Email:* _____

* Email addresses are required for committee participation.

Please check if the address above is an update to current data on file with MOCPA.

QUESTIONS? Contact Dana Seipp at (800) 264-7966 or dseipp@mocpa.org.