



**COLORADO CONTRACTORS
ASSOCIATION**

Top Ten Reasons to Be a CCA Member

1. Strong Legislative Influence that Supports Your Business

CCA's lobby team is one of the most effective at the State Capitol and CCA's political clout is well-known throughout Colorado. In 2009 CCA's efforts led to the successful passage of SB 108 (Colorado FASTER) which will raise \$250 million per year in dedicated funds for infrastructure improvements across the state. CCA and its lobby team are engaged on a daily basis while the legislature is in session.

2. Owner Agency Relations and Member Advocacy

CCA membership provides contractors with an effective liaison to owners and regulators throughout Colorado, including CDOT, counties, cities, special districts, federal agencies, private developers and more. Member Briefings and Constructability Reviews provide CCA members with unique opportunities to learn about upcoming projects and to engage informally with public and private owners from across the state. CCA committee and task force membership maximizes the ability of contractors to provide input on issues that impact the construction community, such as methods of contracting, specification creation and clarification, environmental regulation, and affirmative action compliance. CCA membership also provides contractors with access to individual assistance in resolving problems with project owners, utility owners, and regulators.

3. Workers Compensation Discounts and Dividends

CCA Members who qualify for the dividend program are entitled to a 4% discount on their premium. In addition, dividends paid to members over recent years have been substantial. Also, Members with an audited premium of \$20,000 or more can elect to purchase the Individual Loss Control Dividend (ILCD). The premium and losses of policies that elect the ILCD will not be included in the Association dividend calculation and the ILCD is a filed plan that is guaranteed!

4. Competitive Group Health Insurance

The Colorado Contractors Trust established in 1968 by contractors for contractors offers three different plan designs. In addition to Plan A (salaried employees) and Plan B (hourly/field employees), Plan C is available to groups with ten or more employees. Plan C was designed to accommodate the needs of employers desiring greater flexibility in deductible levels and eligibility waiting periods for both their salaried and hourly employees.

5. Group Drug Testing Program

CCA has established a partnership arrangement with ChoicePoint, Inc., and three different drug testing laboratories (LabCorp, Lab One, and Quest Labs) to offer its members a discounted rate for the drug and alcohol testing of employees. Members of CCA can also order, at group discount prices, instant-result, on-site drug and alcohol test kits through this program.

6. Liability Insurance Program

This program will be rolling out in November 2009.

7. Vehicle Discounts

CCA and Dodge have teamed up to offer members significant discount on 2009 and 2010 Dodge Rams, Dakotas and Durangos. CCA members also qualify for discounts on GM products.

8. Networking

Perhaps one of the greatest benefits of CCA membership is the opportunity to network with industry colleagues. CCA holds two annual golf outings, numerous membership meetings, the Stogie, Sip and Score, a summer outing and Annual Convention & Expo. There are also many committees and task forces to join, speaker series, classes and seminars to attend.

9. OJT, Apprenticeship Program and Manpower Training

CCA provides two OJT programs to assist contractors in meeting project training requirements and increasing the skill level of its workforce.

The CCA Apprenticeship Programs provides classroom and on-the-job training for contractors to increase the number of skilled employees in the Heavy-Highway-Municipal Utility Construction Industry through the formal apprenticeship training process.

The CCA Manpower Training Program (MTP) provides a method for contractors to train their employees in skilled trade areas while meeting CDOT project OJT requirements. For trainees, the MTP offers the benefit of learning a skilled occupation that can be pursued as a life-long career.

10. Industry Specific Training and Training Days

The class selection which is offered during Training Days contains the most popular sessions that CCA conducts throughout the year. Training Days also provides CCA members with the majority of their required training which professionals need to manage their projects safely, within schedule and on budget.

For more information regarding the many advantages to CCA membership, contact Laura Driver, CCA Director of Communications at ldriver@ccainfo.org or 303-290-6611.