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May 11, 2026

TAKE ACTION: Keep America Moving Forward

On September 30, 2026, federal highway and transit funding expires. Congress is starting work on the next bill, and lawmakers need to hear directly from you.

This is the moment for you to speak up, help shape what comes next, and make your voice heard.

Take action in 30 seconds and utilize AGC of America's prewritten message to your members of Congress, urging them to pass a new surface transportation bill to avoid a funding lapse. You can also personalize your message to highlight how this issue impacts your business and employees.

What Congress does next will directly shape your ability to keep projects moving. With funding set to expire this fall, **any delay or uncertainty creates real challenges for your business** and the communities you serve.

When funding is unclear, costs rise, timelines slip, and your ability to plan with confidence takes a hit.

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AGC has launched its new [America's Moving Forward](#) campaign to encourage construction professionals to speak up on the importance of long-term transportation investment and infrastructure funding.

Not having a long-term bill in place prevents state and local transportation officials from making long-term plans, and this **campaign aims to get Congress to pass a new highway and transit bill on time and provide more funding.**

Visit America's Moving Forward to learn more about the campaign and how you can help keep America moving forward.

[Visit America's Moving Forward](#)

[View America's Moving Forward Brochure](#)

CAWP Presents AGC Student Chapter Charter to Slippery Rock University



On Monday, May 4, CAWP presented Slippery Rock University civil engineering students and Dr. Iuri Santos with an AGC Student Chapter Charter, officially designating Slippery Rock University as an AGC Student Chapter. Last fall, Slippery Rock University launched the student chapter, with CAWP proudly serving as the sponsoring chapter for the organization.

The charter was presented by Jason Koss, CAWP Director of Industry Relations, to Rachel Ferrick, the chapter's founding President. Also in attendance to support the students were CAWP Executive Committee member Steven Reed, President/CEO of Mekis Construction Corp., and Matt Griffiths of Francis J. Palo Construction. Both Steve and Matt served as mentors for Slippery Rock University during CAWP's Student Estimating Competition.

In its first year participating in the competition, Slippery Rock University earned an impressive 3rd place finish.

CAWP also recognized six graduating student members by presenting them with AGC graduation cords to wear during commencement ceremonies.

Slippery Rock University now becomes CAWP's fourth AGC Student Chapter. These chapters play an important role in the future of the association and the heavy/highway construction industry by developing future leaders and connecting students with CAWP's contractor network, industry professionals, and career opportunities.

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CAWP Participates in Safety Stand-Down at Mekis Construction Project

On Monday, May 4, CAWP visited a Mekis Construction Corp. project in Butler County to help kick off National Safety Stand-Down Week and Construction Safety Week with a focused discussion on fall protection.

Jason Koss, CAWP Director of Industry Relations, opened the stand-down by reinforcing the importance of taking time to focus on hazards that continue to result in serious injuries and fatalities throughout the construction industry.

Shawn Wolf of [MSA Safety](#) then provided an overview of fall protection fundamentals, including equipment, attachment methods, inspection practices, and proper use in the field.

Rhonda Snyder coordinated and participated in the event alongside field personnel and supervisors. Both Snyder and Wolf are active members of the CAWP Safety Committee and regularly support industry-wide safety initiatives and training efforts.

The stand-down generated strong participation, questions, and discussion among the crew.

CAWP is proud to support member companies and industry partners in promoting safety awareness and reinforcing safe work practices across the construction workforce.



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**Human Resources
Networking Reception
Moves to New Date:
June 2**

Join us on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the CAWP office for a Human Resources Networking Reception designed specifically for HR professionals within our member companies.



This casual, collaborative gathering offers a valuable opportunity to connect with peers across the construction industry, share insights, and discuss common challenges facing today's workforce. Through conversation and networking, attendees can exchange ideas and explore creative approaches to problem-solving in HR.

Food and beverages will be provided.

All HR professionals from CAWP member companies are invited to attend.

We look forward to bringing our HR community together for an engaging and productive afternoon.

[Register Today](#)

Join CAWP this Saturday for the Construction Hike for Hope

CAWP is proud to sponsor the **Construction Hike for Hope**, a fundraising and awareness event supporting the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP).



The event brings together members of the construction community to show support for mental health and help raise funds for suicide prevention programs, education, and outreach. By participating, the industry can help foster stronger conversations around mental wellness and support those who may be struggling.

CAWP encourages members to learn more, participate, or support the cause.

- Date: 05/16/2026
- Location: Settlers Cabin Park (Iroquois and Apache Pavilions), Pittsburgh, PA
- On-Site Registration Starts: 9:00 am
- Program Starts: 10:00 am
- **CAWP will be near the registration area starting at 9:30 a.m.—stop by, say hello, and grab your [YinzGood](#) T-shirt while supplies last!**

Details and Registration

Find Qualified Candidates in the Apprenticeship Readiness Course Dashboard

Candidate Dashboard
Find the right person for your organization!

1. FILTER

- Gender #
- 18 +
- Race / Ethnicity
- Training School
- Working Counties
- Certifications / Licenses
- Equipment

2. REVIEW LISTINGS & SELECT A CANDIDATE

Name	Email	Equipment List	Working Counties
Anthony Adams	adamsa11@icloud.com	Crane, Excavator, Loader, Skid-Steer, Forklift	Bedford, Bucks, Cambria, Cameron, Cumberland, Erie, Lebanon, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Somerset, Susquehanna
Erin Miller	emiller1402@gmail.com	none	Allegheny, Armstrong, Fayette, Indiana, Somerset, Westmoreland
Eric Pender	epender222@outlook.com	Loader	Berks
Mauro Hochstetler	mauroh100@gmail.com	Aerial Lift, Dozer, Excavator, Loader, Skid-Steer, Forklift, Backhoe, Commercial Vehicle	Allegheny, Fayette, Greene, Somerset, Washington, Westmoreland
Jessica Williams	jjwilliams23@yahoo.com	Forklift	Allegheny
Thomas Patton	tpattonadrian123@icloud.com	Dozer, Excavator, Loader, Skid-Steer	Armstrong
Andrew Stalinski	astalinski@gmail.com	none	Beaver, Bradford, Erie, Fayette, Lawrence, Mercer

3. REVIEW CANDIDATE'S INFO

Name: Anthony Adams
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18 +: Yes
Gender: Male
Race / Ethnicity: White / Caucasian
Veteran: No
Working Counties: Bedford, Bucks, Cambria, Cameron, Cumberland, Erie, Lebanon, Montgomery, Philadelphia, Somerset, Susquehanna

In need of an experienced concrete finisher or crane operator, or looking for talent with OSHA 10 Hour training or has a CDL?

With our Candidate Dashboard, you can easily connect with the right talent for your organization by searching candidates who have completed the Apprenticeship Readiness Course. These motivated individuals are interested in highway construction careers and are based in western Pennsylvania.

Candidate profiles can be filtered by equipment experience, certifications, training, and more, with the ability to easily download their resume or access contact information.

Recent candidates who have completed the course include:

- An individual in Westmoreland County with experience with concrete work and heavy equipment including dozer, loader, and aerial lift.
- An individual in Allegheny County with loader and flagger experience.

How to Use the Dashboard

Access the Candidate Dashboard

Password: frbarcdashboard2025

Did you use the Candidate Dashboard from the Apprenticeship Readiness Course to hire recently?

Please answer this brief survey to let us know if you've recently hired someone from the list of candidates. This information will help guide and offer insight for future workforce development tools.

Take the Survey

MENTAL HEALTH
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Whether it's stress from the demands of work, family, or a never-ending to-do list, it's easy to feel completely overwhelmed. That feeling isn't a sign of failure; it's a part of being human, and how you respond in those moments is what matters.

In this article, Youturn Health Peer Coach Cynthia Romo outlines how to find practical and healthy ways to manage stress and find peace through five coping strategies.

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We're Improving CAWP.org

Tell Us What You Think

CAWP is committed to continually improving how we serve our members. We're currently working to enhance CAWP.org to make it easier to navigate, faster to find what you need, and to ultimately deliver an overall more beneficial experience for you.

This short survey will take less than two minutes and will help us prioritize updates based on what matters most to you.

We appreciate your feedback and thank you for taking the time to share your input.

[Take Survey](#)

Recent Bulletins

Proud Chapter

April 16

**CAWP Safety Initiative – Work Zone
Awareness & Safety Stand-Down**

[CAWP Safety Bulletin #5-26](#)



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