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ELECTRICAL  
CONTRACTORS  
ASSOCIATION

# Membership

Why do *YOU* belong?

WESTERN ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, Inc

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**Why do YOU  
belong  
to WECA?**

**Mark Cooper  
H&D Electric, Inc.  
WECA Board of  
Directors Trustee**

***“For 22 years, WECA has been an indispensable organization for my electrical contracting company.”***

*“The Apprenticeship Program at WECA has grown to a state-of-the-art 40,000 sf training facility, with classrooms that most colleges would envy. All thanks to the hardwork and leadership of countless merit shop companies who believe, as I do, that quality training of apprentices and electricians is imperative to the success of their business and our industry .*

*As a Board member for the last 20+ years, I have had the pleasure of serving alongside some of the most respected electrical contractors in California. Literally thousands of careers and hundreds of companies have benefited from their association with WECA.”*

**- Mark Cooper**

## **WECA Membership Benefits and Services**

### **Apprenticeship Programs, Electrical Training and Education**

- State- and federally-approved Commercial and Residential Electrical and VDV Apprenticeship Programs with continuously-updated, NEC-current curriculum
- Apprentice dispatch available to anywhere in California, based on apprentice availability.
- Safety Training: Apprentices obtain OSHA 10, OSHA 30 and CPR certifications
- Electrician Trainee (ET) Program with basic to advanced level classes, largely delivered online over live, instructor-led webcast, leading to ET Certificate; State Certification Exam prep classes
- Journeyman Continuing Education (CE) program with courses available in online, classroom, or computer-based home study formats

### **Support on Public and Prevailing Wage Projects**

- Assistance on wage calculations and certified payroll
- Consultation on forms and documentation related to public works and prevailing wage projects
- Guidance on responding to labor compliance and/or organizing activity on the jobsite
- Construction Trades Compliance Program to report unsafe and out-of-compliance contractors

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**Greg Anderson**  
Rex Moore Electrical Cntrs.  
and Engineers  
Apprenticeship Training  
Committee Chairman

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*“Having graduated from an apprenticeship program, taught both apprenticeship and journey-level training, and after 30 years experience in this business-- I can tell you that WECA’s apprenticeship, electrician trainee, and journeyman continuing education training programs are the absolute best in the industry. I’ve come across none better over the course of my career.” - Greg Anderson*

## **Legal and HR Assistance**

- Free, monthly, 15-minute consultation call with WECA Industry Partner **Cook Brown, LLP**
- 10% Discount on Cook Brown, LLP billings if legal assistance is required beyond free consultation
- Free CalChamber HR Express Account
- Journeyman and Electrician Trainee Referral Service with ability to peruse resumes from qualified potential employees

## **Community Involvement and Networking**

- Western Electrical Contractors Education Foundation Donation and Sponsorship Opportunities- donate your equipment to our labs as a tax write-off; sponsor graduations and other events
- Interact at membership meetings, Board of Directors installation dinners, Apprenticeship graduation events

*“I have been a part of the Western Electrical Contractors Association since 1998. I started as an apprentice and learned a great deal of electrical theory, code, and installation concepts, not only from the class itself but also from the classmates I interacted with over the five-year apprenticeship. I was able to use this knowledge to my benefit as an apprentice and journeyman electrician. Now, as an employer, it is apparent to me the quantity and quality of work a trained electrician is capable of completing when compared to an electrician who has not had the benefit of an apprenticeship program.” - Clint Alessandro*

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**Clint Alessandro**  
Alessandro Electric, Inc.  
Apprenticeship Training  
Committee Trustee





*“As a member of WECA, it is not lost on me that I directly benefit from the ever-growing level of respect that WECA garners within the political community. Primarily responsible for monitoring those aspects of government that affect us as contractors and advocating for our concerns and on behalf of all of us, Richard Markuson serves quite admirably in the role of Government Affairs Director and has certainly contributed to the respect WECA has earned.*

**Government Affairs and National Industry Representation**

- **Dedicated representation** at the national, state, and local levels from WECA Government Affairs Director Richard Markuson, focused on merit shop issues, particularly those that affect your ability to compete in California’s tough construction market
- Webinar events with direct access to WECA’s Government Affairs Director, at which you can submit political questions, discuss your concerns, and make your voice heard
- Proactive defense strategies and public efforts against Project Labor Agreements
- Promotion and support of fair and open competition legislation and policy
- Free copy of WECA’s annually-updated eBook of California Business Laws for Electrical Contractors

*Knowing I have neither the time nor political clout to stand out as an individual in an ever-changing-- and for the most part contrarian-- political landscape, I consider it to be one of the greatest member benefits WECA offers to have such a well-respected, strong Government Affairs department .”*

- Tim Bosley



**WECA Government Affairs Director Richard Markuson  
Your Direct Line to Sacramento and Washington, D.C.**

*Merit shop electrical contractors throughout California are under pressure from a political system that limits the ability of these contractors to compete for and win public works contracts. Through our coordinated efforts to further the interests of the merit shop community, we will make doing business in California fair and profitable again.*

## **Industry Updates, News, Public Relations and Communications**

- Subscriptions to WECA eBulletin and Political Advocacy newsletters, with regular news briefs on industry news, union activity, political updates, training opportunities, and more
- WECA publicizes your successes, on the jobsite and in the community, with articles in our communications, and press releases. Plus you can opt-in to pitch articles to major news outlets in conjunction with WECA.
- Self-service site with online hours submissions, report downloads, course enrollments, and more

## **Discounts and Promotions**

- Member discounts on ET and Journeyman Training
- Verizon Wireless discounts of up to 22%
- Special Offers from WECA Industry Partners



***WECA is the only California statewide trade association dedicated solely to meeting the needs of independent electrical contractors.***

***In addition to world-class apprenticeship and training programs for your employees, WECA also provides the business services that will help your company succeed and grow.***

***WECA advocates in state and local government on behalf of independent electrical contractors to make sure your voice is heard.***

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