

ASSP Valley Coastal Chapter Professional Grant (CPG) Program

The CPG Program will be funded by the chapter Treasury. The grant will be for \$750 and is available to any Valley Coastal Chapter member seeking to further their education or advance their OSHE skills.

The grant can be used for any educational program, public or private, which will advance the winner's career or skills. The grant should work toward acquiring a certification or license, maintaining educational requirements for an existing certification or license, or learning a new skill.

One award of \$750 is available for the Chapter Professional Grant program.

The requirements for the Chapter Professional Grant program are listed below:

ELIGIBILITY

Requirements to apply for a career advancement grant.

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements:

- Be a member of the ASSP and the Valley Coastal Chapter
- Submit a completed application.

Applications must be submitted via email to president@valleycoastal.assp.org

Application Process

Complete the application.

Complete the three required short answer areas, with a limit of 300 words each.

The questions:

- What drew you to the field of safety and health?
- What are your long-term professional goals?
- What plans do you have for reaching your professional goals?
- Optional Bonus Question: Chapter Involvement: describe your ASSP participation Activities and how you feel it supported your career development. How did your Chapter service enhance your skills?

Take your time, and thoughtfully and clearly answer the questions.

Applicant evaluations

- 90% comes from how you answer the short-answer questions. Reviewers are looking for your passion for the profession, and how you have, and will, play a part in enhancing the future of the profession. Be specific, the easiest way to be denied an award is to answer the questions with a single sentence.
- Chapter Involvement is a bonus factor, 10%, but not required. Examples of chapter support: Routinely attended meetings. Volunteering to assist the Chapter Leadership, Completing Chapter Annual Survey, providing suggestions for Meeting topics, completing Meeting Surveys, etc.

Letters of recommendation are not required but are encouraged. Letters of recommendations can support your passion for the safety profession. You are encouraged to request up to three letters of recommendation. Request your letters early to allow you to submit them with your application.

The Chapter's Grant Review Committee will review each application.

Each committee member will complete a review and the scores will be averaged. Reviewers rate applications based on:

- Thoughtful essay responses that include a well-developed framework to meet your skills improvement, academic and/or professional goals.
- ASSP Membership Activities
- Letters of recommendation that speak to your character, professionalism, and accomplishments.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Deadline: the application must be received by 11:59 PM on the day of the April Chapter Meeting each Year.

Complete and submit your application via email to presiden@valleycoastal.assp.org; a confirmation of receipt will be provided.

GRANT WINNERS

All applicants will be notified of award status via email by the June chapter meeting of the Grant Year.

- A \$750 check will be mailed to the attention of award recipient at their confirmed address, no later than June 30th of the grant year.

The winner of the Chapter Professional Grant, CPG, is required to give a 15-minute presentation at a general Chapter meeting, within 6 months after receiving the CPG award. The presentation shall focus on how the CPG funds were used, how the winner benefited from the award, and a discussion of how the award supported their future plans.