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### Keys to Winning Local Campaigns

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#### **AHLA** Membership

Advocating for Every Segment of the Hotel Industry

#### **BRANDS**































#### **OWNERS**







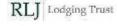






































#### MANAGEMENT COMPANIES



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#### INDEPENDENT PROPERTIES







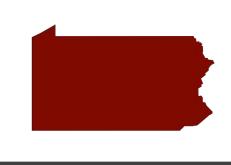


















#### AHLA Partner State Associations

Alabama Restaurant & Hospitality Alliance Arizona Lodging & Tourism Association Arkansas Hospitality Association California Hotel & Lodging Association Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association Connecticut Lodging Association Delaware Hotel & Lodging Association Hotel Association of Washington DC Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association Georgia Hotel & Lodging Association Illinois Hotel & Lodging Association Indiana Restaurant & Lodging Association Louisiana Hotel & Lodging Association Hospitality Maine Maryland Hotel & Lodging Association Massachusetts Lodging Association Michigan Restaurant & Lodging Association Minnosota Lodging Association

New Jersey Hotel & Lodging Association New York State Hospitality & Tourism Association Hotel Association of New York City, Inc. North Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association Ohio Hotel & Lodging Association Oklahoma Hotel & Lodging Association Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Association Pennsylvania Restaurant & Lodging Association Rhode Island Hospitality Association South Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association St. Louis Area Hotel Association Tennessee Hospitality & Tourism Association Texas Hotel & Lodging Association Vermont Chamber of Commerce Virginia Restaurant, Lodging, & Travel Association Washington Hospitality Association West Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association

Nevada Hotel and Lodging Association

# Elevate Your Message



Grassroot
Engagement
Share local stories



From Capitol Hill to City Hall



### Keep them Engaged with you

Expand Visibility, Reach, Funds.



AHLA is the Voice of the Hotel Industry



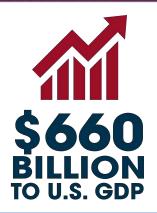




# **National Impact**













### State & Local Advocacy Infrastructure

Increased Advocacy Needs at State & Local Level



Drive Core Advocacy Priorities, Expand **Grass Roots Efforts** 



Deliver Membership Engagement & Value



Strengthen **Partnerships** with PSAs







# Showcase your local impact

#### **Industry Snapshot in Virginia**

HOTEL GUEST SPENDING IN VA

SHARE OF TOTAL JOBS SUPPORTED BY HOTEL INDUSTRY IN VA PROPERTIES IN VA (NUMBER OF HOTEL)

1,520

TOTAL TAXES PER HOUSEHOLD IN VA (\$ PER HOUSEHOLD)

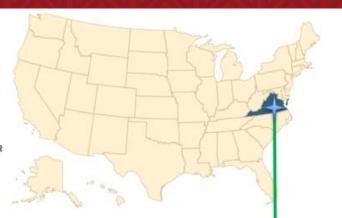
\$1290.81

HOTEL GUESTROOMS IN VA (NUMBER OF ROOMS)

154.944

STATE AND LOCAL TAXES PER HOUSEHOLD IN VA (\$ PER HOUSEHOLD)

\$615.43



#### **Total Hotel Industry Impact in Virginia**

BUSINESS SALES IN VA (OUTPUT)

\$28 billion

TOTAL TAXES IN VA

WAGES AND SALARIES IN VA

So billion

VA STATE AND LOCAL TAXES

S2 billion

(NUMBER OF JOBS)

192,936

VA

S481 million

PRODUCT IN VA

FEDERAL TAXES IN VA



# **Understand the Scope and Role** *Know What's Preempted*

- Local government authority varies from city to city
- Building Codes, Regulations, Enforcement and Development
- Land Use and Zoning
- Public Health and Safety, first responders
- Local Roads and Footpaths
- Public spaces like parks and libraries
- Local environmental issues
- Waste disposal
- City/County Taxes
- Community services
- Local Elections



# **National Organizations**

Know Where to go for Your Needs













MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION









#### **Host Events In Their Cities**

Partner with City Councils and Mayors to mutually advance policy goals, expand member engagement, and increase visibility

















City of Dallas

# HOSPHTALITY IS WORKING AHLA Campaign for Workforce Issues

**Creating Opportunities, Supporting Communities.** 







#### **Investing in our Workforce**

At its core, the hotel industry is about people. And hospitality works every day for the more than eight million who are proudly employed in and support our industry and the guests we serve.



#### Protecting our Employees & Guests

The hospitality industry has made a pledge to commit to enhanced policies, trainings and resources that together are aimed at enhancing safety for millions of employees and quests.



#### **Supporting our Communities**

Hotels power America's economy and are an integral part of the communities we serve – growing jobs, and driving consumer demand.



### Showcase the Industry's Work Through Personal Stories



#### **Orlando Sentinel**

Orlando Teen Touts Job-Training Program at White House Event





Ron DeSantis @GovRonDeSantis · 6h

Orlando's Johnny Brummit's story is a powerful example of what can be accomplished through the Pledge to America's Workers initiative and how the private, public, and not-for-profit sectors can come together to help support the dreams of Florida's youth. Congratulations!

th The White House Retweeted



Ivanka Trump 🕢 @IvankaTrump · 5h

Congratulations Johnny!

We are cheering for you and know that you will continue to achieve great things!

#PledgetoAmericasWorkers @realDonaldTrump @VP









#### Host Career Fairs or Hiring Events Grow the Local Economy





**DALLAS: Early October** 



LOS ANGELES: Mid-October

# Build National Coalitions to Augment Your Voice

- Amplify positive news stories
  - > Enhance partnerships
    - Don't be afraid to make uncommon allies













Coalitions at Every Level National, State, and Local









# Partner with Community Groups Cultivate partnerships



Representing homeowners,
coalition to urge state
lawmakers to reject bills limiting
localities' ability to protect

neighborhoods.

**Supporters:** 



















#### San Francisco

PASSED 2016 SURVIVED LEGAL CHALLENGE

#### Los Angeles

PASSED DEC 2018



Seattle
PASSED DEC 2017

# Chicago PASSED JUNE 2016



**Boston** 

PASSED JUNE 2018

New York
PASSED JULY 2018

**Baltimore** 

D.C. PASSED NOV 2018

# Austin PASSED FEB 2016

New Orleans
PASSED 2019

Miami
PASSED MARCH 2016

#### **Create Member Toolkits**

Assist efforts in smaller or non-target localities





#### **PSA Tools and Resources**

- > Short Term Rental Toolkit
- Hospitality is Working
- Combating Harassment
- Best Practices
- > 2019 Seminar Descriptions
- > State Fact Sheets
- > PSA List
- Employee Safety Device Buyer's Guide
- Survey of Human Trafficking State Laws
- Webinar: The Role of Hotel Employees in Stopping Human Trafficking
- No Room for Trafficking Member Resource Guide
- No Room for Trafficking, AHLA Campaign



#### **Heart of the House Tours**



- Back of the house tours
- > Showcase how business operates
- > Talk about economic impacts in their district







# Issue Campaigns Commit to being a part of the solution.



### NO ROOM TRAFFICKING

- > Raise Awareness
- > Coordinate with Experts
- **≻ Identify Best Practices**
- Provide Resources and Training













NO ROOM FOR

TRAFFICKING DAY OF



National Alliance to End Sexual Violence





















Showcase a unified effort, amplify local chapters

Day of Action Regional Events PSA Hosted Events

# Local voices are LOUD and they carry... All the way to Capitol Hill



- 1) Survey your members
- Keep your records up to date
- 3) Invite them to a fly-in
- 4) Train them on how to stay engaged locally



#### **Grow Your Grassroots**

Example: ASA Team535



- Ensure strong, enduring relationships with elected officials
- Advocacy modules to become a "key contact"
- Engage in at least one legislative outreach activity each year
- Hold at least one in-person meeting with elected official
- Phone call with ASA association leaders





## **Provide Grassroots Training**



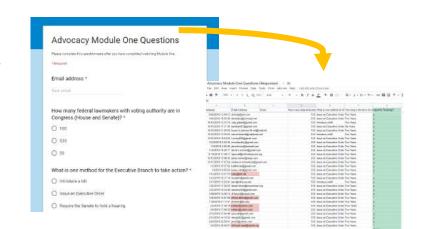
- 1) Collect Contact Information Email, Name, Address, any existing relationships
- 2) Advocacy Modules
  Series of short, pre-recorded webinars
- 3) Quiz and Activities After Each Module Tracks progress, ensures they are doing the training
- 4) Fill In Missing Gaps & Retention Recruit members where you need coverage. Keep your points of contact engaged.



Module 1:
Introduction to Federal Government
Complete your Module Questions here



Module 2:
Ways to be Involved
Complete your Module Questions here.



# Successful Call to Action Engagement



Grassroots alerts, patch-through calls, letters, constituent meetings + testimony

#### **Send Letters**

Partner with community groups.



Representation of the State of Hawaii Executive Chambers State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Please Veto SB 1292 (Transient Accommodations)

Dear Gov. Ige

As leaders of the lodging industry, collectively representing more than eight million American jobs and \$170 billion in taxes to local, state and federel governments, we respectfully urge you to reject Senate Bill 1992. This measure is a woofully incomplete solution to the illegal vacation rental crisis that has been plagning leavail for many years.



HAWAII NEWS TOP NEWS

Hotels urge Ige to veto vacation rental taxation bill

#### **Media Campaigns**

Social media, email marketing, op-eds, press and news coverage.





7.5 Million Impressions

#### Cable TV Ads



#### Advocacy

Email/Call your elected official, in person meetings.



# Grasstops

#### Engage your leadership, and your company's leadership





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You can't be everywhere, but contributions go far



# HELSACT



Suddenly, movers

and shakers are moving and shaking with you.



#### **Share Best Practices**

#### Keys for Winning Local Campaigns



### Target Your Audience

Determine the Best Way to Engage

Build Coalitions, Expand Partnerships

Share Your Story

Address Their Needs

- ✓ Focus on specific targets
- ✓ Identify what moves the needle, make an advocacy plan
- ✓ Utilize grassroots and grasstop strategies
- ✓ Grow your voice through partners and allies
- ✓ Build coalitions
- Bring visibility to the issue
- ✓ Launch a campaign
- ✓ Give back by delivering something they need



**All Together Powerful** 

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