



30,000+  
MEMBERS STRONG

## STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OUTSPEND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON INFRASTRUCTURE IN EVERY CATEGORY OF PROJECT:\*



### HIGHWAYS

74% vs 26%  
\$131B vs \$46B



### MASS TRANSIT & RAIL

77% vs 23%  
\$57.4B vs \$17.2B



### WATER UTILITIES

96% vs 4%  
\$108.5B vs \$4.5B



### AVIATION

55% vs 45%  
\$20.4B vs \$16.7B



### WATER TRANSPORTATION

57% vs 43%  
\$5.8B vs \$4.4B



### WATER RESOURCES

65% vs 35%  
\$18.7B vs \$10B

\* Pre-IJA totals, CBO report *Public Spending on Transportation and Water Infrastructure* (October 2018),  
<https://www.cbo.gov/publication/54539>

## HOW STATES AND LOCALITIES UTILIZE FEDERAL FUNDING TO HELP FINANCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS:



### TAX EXEMPT BONDS

67.2%



### TAX CREDIT BONDS

12.5%



### STATE REVOLVING FUNDS AND INFRASTRUCTURE BANKS

14.1%



### DIRECT FEDERAL CREDIT PROGRAMS

6.3%

## ABOUT APWA

Public works is the combination of physical assets, management practices, policies, and personnel necessary for the public and private sectors to provide and sustain structures and services essential to the welfare and high quality of life for our citizens.

The American Public Works Association (APWA) serves professionals in all aspects of public works – a fact that sets it apart from other organizations and makes it the ‘voice of public works’ throughout North America. With a membership more than 30,000 strong, APWA includes not only personnel from local, county, state, provincial, and federal agencies, but also private sector personnel who supply products and services to those professionals. Public works professionals are first responders and they often get to work – sometimes before our other first responder partners, and then after to restore essential services – wherever there is an emergency affecting public services.

Membership in APWA is open to any individual, agency, or corporation with an interest in public works and infrastructure issues. Common job titles include public works directors; city engineers; city managers; fleet managers; community development directors; transportation managers; park directors; county officials; and representatives from engineering and other consulting firms, manufacturers, construction companies, and a multitude of other service providers.



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# WHAT IS PUBLIC WORKS?

The United States has approximately 19,500 municipalities of varying sizes. In each community, whatever the size, there are needs common to all that must be met through the provision of public works services. These needs are met on a daily basis by visionary, values-driven, and hardworking men and women who provide and sustain public works services in the best interests of their communities.



## LAWS IMPACTING PUBLIC WORKS

Clean Water Act

Disaster Recovery Reform Act

Endangered Species Act

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

National Environmental Policy Act

Safe Drinking Water Act

Stafford Act

Water Resources Development Act



An infrastructure investment gap of nearly \$2.6 trillion this decade, if unaddressed, could cost the U.S. \$10 trillion in lost GDP by 2039.