



NATCA Members Elevate Legislative Advocacy Skills in Advanced Training on Capitol Hill

In August the National Office in Washington hosted a group of dedicated NATCA members for the Advanced Legislative Activism Training (ALAT) course, led by three NATCA Academy instructors: National Legislative Committee (NLC) Southwest Region Representative Corey Soignet (Houston Intercontinental ATCT, IAH), Northwest Mountain Region NLC Alternate Matt Scala (Denver TRACON, D01), and Paul Behan (Jacksonville Center, ZJX). This intensive course is designed for NATCA members who are active in legislative advocacy and want to sharpen their skills to become even more effective in representing the union's interests on Capitol Hill.

The ALAT course offers participants advanced training in techniques for conducting Congressional meetings, proper etiquette for attending events with members of Congress, and strategic approaches to advocating for NATCA's goals. As part of their education, training includes two days of classroom instruction and a day in the Congressional office buildings and the connecting tunnels on Capitol Hill, where participants prepare to put their new skills into practice for future engagement with members of Congress and their staff.



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One highlight of this ALAT session was a special invitation from U.S. Rep. Aaron Bean (Fla.-4), who hosted the group for a tour of the U.S. Capitol, led by his staff. This unique opportunity allowed NATCA members to visit the House floor as part of the tour, experiencing the legislative environment up close and reinforcing the importance of their advocacy work.

For those interested in enhancing their legislative activism skills, the ALAT course is an invaluable resource. Members can sign up for ALAT or its prerequisite course — Legislative Activism Training (LAT) — today at natca.org/academy to start making a difference in NATCA's legislative efforts.

Countdown to San Francisco: NATCA's 2025 Convention Committee Gears Up, Lends a Hand to the Unhoused

The Committee for NATCA's 2025 Convention in San Francisco has been hard at work, holding crucial planning meetings in July and August under the leadership of Western Pacific Regional Vice President (NWP RVP) Joel Ortiz and Planning Committee Chair Charles Howell (Oakland ARTCC, ZOA). These sessions are key to preparing for the highly anticipated event, scheduled for May 9-11, 2025, at the Marriott Marquis in San Francisco.



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Pictured (left to right): Jen Rivera (Indianapolis Center, ZID), Corrie Conrad (Portland ATCT, PDX), Kristin Simms (Oakland ATCT, OAK), Miguel Lluch (San Francisco ATCT, SFO), Amy Sayers (Fort Lauderdale ATCT, FLL), Jamie Lee Nuss (San Francisco Tower, SFO), Amanda Richardson (Oakland Center, ZOA), and Charles Howell (Oakland Center, ZOA)

The committee has been diligently reviewing budgets, setting task deadlines, and scheduling ongoing meetings to ensure every detail is in place for NATCA's 20th Biennial Convention. In addition to these important logistical preparations, the committee also made a meaningful impact on the local community. During the July meeting, members collaborated with the NATCA Charitable Foundation to assemble hygiene kits for Urban Angels San Francisco, an organization dedicated to supporting San Francisco's unhoused population. In August, the committee delivered these much-needed supplies to those in need.

[Registration for the convention is now open](#) Early registrants can take advantage of the best prices for this event. Mark your calendars and plan to join us at the Marriott Marquis in San Francisco from May 9-11, 2025, with the opening ceremony on the evening of May 8. Don't miss this important gathering of our Union membership.

Save the Dates for NATCA's 2025 Events

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March 24-26



May 9-11



Sept. 15-17

Mark your calendars for next year's NATCA events!

NATCA in Washington | March 24-26, 2025 at the Hyatt Regency Washington, D.C.

Member activists come to Washington, D.C., each spring to learn about NATCA's legislative efforts, build congressional relationships, and advance legislation important to NATCA.

Stay up to date on the NiW [webpage](#).

NATCA's 20th Biennial Convention | May 9-11, 2025, at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis.

Register today and find more information about Convention at the event [webpage](#).

Communicating for Safety | Sept. 15-17, 2025, in Las Vegas at the Horseshoe.

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