

Alliance Close-Out Report

May 21, 2014

Arkansas Home Builders Association

Alliance Background

Date Signed: May 21, 2009 (renewed on August 23, 2011)

End Date: August 23, 2013

I. Overview

Implementation Team Members

Carlos Reynolds, Area Director, Little Rock Area Office – OSHA
Mary Walter, Compliance Assistance Specialist, Little Rock Area Office - OSHA
Julie Mills, Executive Vice-President of the Arkansas Home Builders Association

Evaluation Period

May 21, 2012 through May 21, 2013

II. Implementation Team Meetings

On February 14, 2013, AD Carlos Reynolds and CAS Walter met with Ms. Julie Mills, Executive Vice President of the Arkansas Home Builders Association to discuss outreach activities. This meeting did not result in confirmed dates for outreach activities.

III. Events and Products

On March 1, 2013, CAS Walter sent Ms. Mills, information via email regarding Silica Exposure in the Construction Industry to be distributed to their membership.

On March 19, CAS Walter sent Ms. Mills an email regarding Termination of Temporary Enforcement Policy.

On March 15, 2013, CAS Walter forwarded an email to Ms. Mills of the OSHA Quick Takes monthly e-news containing several relevant subjects for the members of the Arkansas Home Builders Association.

On August 21, 2012, AD Carlos Reynolds met with the Arkansas Home Builders of Greater Little Rock, and presented an update regarding construction

On June 13, 2013, CAS Walter gave a presentation on Fall Hazards to the membership of the Northwest Arkansas Home Builders Association.

IV. Results

Type of Activity (Conference, Training, Print and Electronic Distribution, etc.)	Number of Individuals Reached or Trained
PowerPoint Presentations Covering Fall Hazards and Scaffolds in Construction	58
Handouts and Quick Cards	100
TOTAL	158

Training and Education

On April 22, 2013, OSHA in conjunction with the University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) made available a free class to all alliances and partnerships; Course No.13710000, Introduction to Machinery and Machine Safeguarding. Members of the Arkansas Home Builders Association did attend the class.

On September 9, 2013, OSHA in conjunction with the University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) made available a free class to all alliances and partnerships; Lockout/Tagout – Controlling Hazardous Energy. Members of the Arkansas Home Builders Association did not attend the class.

Outreach and Communication

Distribution of OSHA Quick Cards related to construction including fall protection and heat stress were delivered on several occasions.

Several emails were sent to the Arkansas Homebuilders Association regarding new outreach materials.

Promoting the National Dialogue on Workplace Safety and Health

Arkansas Home Builders Association is a member of a nationwide network of Home Builders Associations.

Summary: A planning meeting was held with the Executive Vice-President of the Arkansas Homebuilders Association; outreach activities were not scheduled during the meeting. Only two outreach presentations to affiliates of the Arkansas Home Builders Association were requested during this evaluations period as a result of the affiliates reaching out to the OSHA Office. The U.S. Department of Labor/OSHA, Little Rock Area Office contacted the Executive Vice-President of the Home Builders Association on numerous occasions to plan additional outreach activities with no response.

Members of the Arkansas Home Builders did not take advantage of the training opportunities offered by UTA and OSHA during this evaluation period.

The Little Rock Area Office moves to terminate the Alliance with the Arkansas Home Builders Association due to lack of viable activity. We will continue to provide outreach assistance, on an informal level, to the AHBA and their affiliate members.

Overall, I feel this alliance served the strong purpose of assisting AHBA members with pertinent information on residential construction activities and we would be open to possibly starting another alliance with this association if the opportunity arises.

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V. Upcoming Milestones

N/A