

ANNUAL ALLIANCE REPORT
U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
Baton Rouge Area Office
And
Gulf Coast Safety Council
July 30, 2015

I. Alliance Background

A. Date Signed:

July 17, 2009 - renewed on April 29, 2014

B. Evaluation Period

July 2014 through July 2015

C. Overview

OSHA and the Gulf Coast Safety Council (GCSC) formally the Greater New Orleans Industrial Educational Council (GNOIEC) established a collaborative relationship to foster a safer and more healthful industrial workforce. This relationship provides the industrial workforce including non-English and limited English speaking employees with information, guidance, and access to industrial education training resources that will help protect employees' health and safety. In developing this alliance, OSHA and GCSC recognize that OSHA's Consultation Project partners are an integral part of the OSHA national effort.

D. Implementation Team Members

OSHA

Dorinda Folsie, Area Director (AD), OSHA Baton Rouge Area Office

Wilfred Hebert, Compliance Assistance Specialist (CAS), OSHA Baton Rouge Area Office

Gulf Coast Safety Council

Shelly Guilbeau, GCSC, Executive Director – St. Rose

II. Implementation Team Meetings

Team meetings were held periodically throughout the year to support the Curriculum Committee of GCSC. These meetings occurred on the following dates: January 23, 2014; May 22, 2014; July 10, 2014; and October 2, 2014. Brown Bag meetings were held to further education and compliance in the following areas:

September 25, 2014 – Avoiding Unnecessary Recordables

February 12, 2015 - Safety Trained Supervisor Certification Discussion

III. Activities and Products

Training and Education

Compliance Assistance Specialist helped the Gulf Coast Safety Council to provide the petrochemical industry personnel and industry contract workers, including non-English or limited English speaking employees, with information, guidance, and access to industrial education training resources about temporary workers.

Additional discussion and information was provided on protecting the contract workers from heat stress. OSHA Quick Cards were distributed as a means of effective communications.

Compliance Assistance Specialist provided detailed instruction on how to obtain OSHA Quick Takes that can be emailed to GCSC and reviewed by the Program Developer. These topics were then sent to GCSC's Customer Base.

The OSHA Compliance Assistance Specialist staff in Louisiana continues to provide resources for answering questions and continue to assist the alliance as needed.

Promoting the National Dialogue on Workplace Safety and Health:

The Gulf Coast Safety Council (GCSC), with support from the Alliance Safety Council, became part of an application to become a host site that allows GCSC to extend services in the Southern portion of Louisiana for the delivery of all OSHA Training Institute Education Center (OTIEC) courses.

The OSHA national statistics were reviewed and discussion was held on how the process can be improved. The areas reviewed were training of owner representatives who handle contractors, pre-qualification, selection, pre-job activities, work-in-progress, and evaluation.

IV. Results

GCSC interaction with owners and contractors through training and safety meetings help prevent injuries and illnesses in the work place. The collaboration with OSHA provides a visible sign of the strength of our alliance.

The goals for the next year are to strengthen the alliance through meetings with OSHA, owners and contractors to promote an Incident and Injury free environment in the work place. Focus will be improving emphasis on OSHA "Top Ten" injury statistics through developing and offering courses through OTIEC as indicated above and the Association of Reciprocal Safety Councils (ARSC).

Additionally, emphasis will be placed on the assistance that the "OSHA Area Office" can provide in training and education in job safety and health issues.

Sullivan “Taxi” Seneca, GCSC Marketing Manager, attends Contractor Safety Meeting Weekly/Monthly at each Owner Site to collaborate and offer assistance in all areas of Safety on behalf of the Gulf Coast Safety Council. He will also be visiting the OSHA office quarterly to retrieve additional information which can be distributed to GCSC Customers.

GCSC implemented a website in the 4th Quarter of 2014 called “Tool Box Meetings.” Any Member of GCSC can go onto the website each day and download a Tool Box Safety Talk for their Group.

| <i>Type of Activity</i> | <i>Number of Individuals Reached or Trained</i> | <i>Topic(s)</i> |
|--------------------------|---|---|
| September 18, 2014 | 15 | <i>GCSC Owner Advisory Committee Established to receive input from Owners on path forward</i> |
| November 13, 2014 | 35 | <i>Collaborated with ARSC on development of the Protect Watch Program</i> |
| February 4, 2015 | 18 | <i>Eddie Greer did a presentation on STS through the Board of Certified Safety Professionals</i> |
| March 25, 2015 | 23 | <i>Safety Trained Supervisor Training</i> |
| April 28, 2015 | 475 | <i>16th Annual Contractor’s Safety Excellence Awards Banquet held to recognize Contractors and Owner in Industry</i> |
| June 27, 2015 | 18 | <i>Safety Trained Supervisor Training</i> |
| <i>Evaluation Period</i> | 10 | <i>OSHA 10 and 30 Class</i> |
| | 38,000 plus | <i>672 Contractor businesses and 36 Owners participate in the GCSC Training Programs</i> |
| TOTAL | 38,594 | |

V. Upcoming Events

Shelly Guilbeau is a Member of the ARSC Executive Committee and continues to drive the updates annually of the ARSC Reciprocal training courses for the continued education of the Petrochemical workforce and has focused on those that present life critical event. GCSC was part of this work and have and will continue to emphasize and deliver these programs. OSHA plans to provide Volunteer Protection Program (VPP) outreach presentation to the Petrochemical Workforce. OSHA and GCSC plan to renew the alliance in year 2016.

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