



APRA Advocacy and Legislative Task Force

Legislative Platform/Work Plan

Tier One—On Going

- Advocate for the Protection of State Sponsored Grant Programs (Heritage Fund, State Lake Improvement Fund, OHV Fund, etc)
- Provide Advocacy Training and Support for Parks and Recreation Professionals and Board Members
- Annually Review, Adopt, and Support the NRPA Legislative Platform
- Review proposed legislation/initiatives and make recommendations to the Board in a timely manner

Tier Two—Long-Term

- Support State Trust Land Reform
- Support the Heritage Alliance in Their Effort to Expand the Heritage Fund Funding Levels
- Support the Concept of Enabling Legislation for Park Districts
- Develop a Legislative Day for Parks and Recreation

Goal 1 – Advocacy: Educate and influence policy makers on parks and recreation and conservation issues.

Objectives:

- Develop a unified front responsible for advocating on behalf of APRA issues.
- Continue to identify legislation that affects parks and recreation and conservation and continue to educate state and federal legislators on issues of importance to parks and recreation and conservation.
- Collect data (via research) that demonstrates the impact of APRA and its members.
- Engage the citizen boards and commission members in APRA's advocacy efforts.
- Promote professional partnerships through strategic alliances with other like-minded organizations (i.e. The League of Arizona Cities and Towns, Maricopa Association of Governments, ACMA, ICMA, Arizona Association of Counties, etc.).