WORKING FOR YOU

We are your advocates in state government. AIA|WA works through APAC on behalf of our members to focus on key issues for the architecture community. We engage with lawmakers who will champion our advocacy priorities throughout the legislative session.

KEY POINTS
- Architects are profoundly involved in the goal of bettering our communities
- Architects are trained to be collaborators and problem solvers
- Invest in Washington State through a robust Capital Budget
- Promote a fair tax code
- Promote planning that attains livable communities
- Protect the health, safety, and welfare of Washington State Citizens

APAC NEEDS YOU.
Your donation is an investment in the future of Washington architecture.

Carbon Policy

AIA WA continues to advocate for a suite of carbon reduction policies that will combat climate change and maintain Washington State’s status as a leader on energy codes. We recognize there is still a long way to go in order to stay on track to meet the legal requirements of RCW 70.235.020 for greenhouse gas emissions, which calls for the state to do its part to reach global stabilization levels by the year 2050.

Buildings contribute 40% of greenhouse gases. If we don’t consider energy use in buildings, we will not effectively address climate change.

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2016 CAPITAL BUDGET $95 MILLION IN FUNDING

Mental Health Facilities
- $7.9 million for Institution Based Mental Health Facilities
- $12.552 million for community-Based Facilities

Community Projects and Housing
- Disaster Emergency Response funding
- $11.4 million for Local Community Projects
- $10.75 million for Housing

K-12 School Construction
- $40 million K-3 Class Size Reduction Classrooms
- $34.8 million for School Construction Assistance Program

Natural Resources and the Environment
- $8.1 million for Environmental Clean Up and Prevention
- $2.5 million for Centennial Clean Water
- $10.4 million for Recreation and Conservation
- $1 million for Environmental Restoration
- $4 million for Drought Wells

Higher Education Facilities
- $74 million for Alternative Financing for Major Projects

State Building Development
- $1.9 million for Tri Cities Readiness Center

Capital Project Delivery
As alternative delivery methods such as Design-Build, GC/CM, PPP are increasingly considered for use in capital projects, it is crucial that architects are at the table to help determine their appropriate and effective use. Recently, AIA WA has worked with our allied organizations to develop best practices for Design-Build application, and we anticipate continued involvement as Public Private Partnerships (PPP) are explored.

Building Codes
Our state building codes continually come under attack from competing industries. Recently, AIA WA helped to block the implementation of a proposed six-year update cycle that would have interfered with architects’ protections and left us out of sync with National standards. We also worked on reforms to the Washington State Building Code Council to address legislator concerns and reinforce the council’s authority to set appropriate codes for our state.

Support a Robust Capital Budget
AIA WA believes it is important to our state economy, as well as our health, safety and welfare, to invest in the Capital Budget.

In 2016, AIA WA played a crucial role in shaping Capital Budget funding for the study and use of Cross Laminated Timber (CLT).

Since the 2012 McCleary decision, we have advocated for phased K-12 reforms that would lead to a well-planned approach for satisfying the need for more classrooms in Washington state.

AIA WA must be a key player in shaping how alternative methods of project delivery are implemented.

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