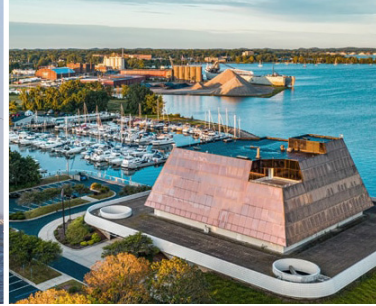


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**AGLPA ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP**





# STRONG PORTS. STRONG COMMUNITIES. STRONG REGION.

The American Great Lakes Ports Association (AGLPA) is the only organization dedicated exclusively to U.S. Great Lakes public ports and the communities they serve. For nearly 50 years, we've advanced policies and investments that strengthen maritime commerce, grow regional industry, and protect the waters we all depend on.

Our work is driven by the leadership of our Port Members and strengthened by Associate Members who contribute expertise and partnership. Together, we support a strong, competitive, and connected Great Lakes maritime system.



## OUR MISSION

*Founded in 1977, the American Great Lakes Ports Association (AGLPA) represents the interests of commercial ports and port users on the United States side of the Great Lakes. We work to influence public policy to foster maritime commerce and related employment in the Great Lakes region.*

*Through our united voice, we educate policymakers, the media, and the public about the critical role of Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway shipping in the region's economy.*

## THE VOICE OF GREAT LAKES PORTS.

As the largest public ports on the Great Lakes, our Member Ports collectively represent a vital economic engine. AGLPA ensures their critical role in maritime commerce, exports, infrastructure investment, supply chain resilience, jobs, and economic growth is recognized regionally, nationally, and globally.





# JOIN THE ONLY ORGANIZATION ADVOCATING EXCLUSIVELY FOR GREAT LAKES PORTS.

AGLPA Associate Membership is open to organizations and individuals who support or serve the Great Lakes maritime industry. We welcome those who share our commitment to Great Lakes ports, thriving communities, and the future of our region's economy.

## ASSOCIATE MEMBER BENEFITS

### Advocacy & Impact

AGLPA is on the Hill daily, working to secure funding and infrastructure investment and advance policies that directly benefit Great Lakes ports and their communities. Through sustained advocacy, we champion the priorities of Great Lakes ports and the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway system.

### Partnership & Networking

Through conferences and events, AGLPA connects ports and industry stakeholders. Associate Members gain visibility, build relationships, engage decision-makers, and bring their voice to the conversations shaping maritime commerce in the Great Lakes region.

### Industry Insights & Information

AGLPA helps members stay informed with exclusive updates and events focused on the issues impacting the Great Lakes. Gain timely access to insights, expert perspectives, and discussions that influence policy, investment, and the future of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway system.



## ADDED BENEFITS

### Company Recognition

- Dedicated Member profile on the AGLPA website
- Welcome post and annual spotlight on AGLPA social media channels
- Member spotlight email
- AGLPA Member badge

### Access & Engagement

- Member-only email updates
- Opportunity to host or sponsor an AGLPA webinar
- Access to Member-only events

### AGLPA Annual Conference Perks

- Discounted registration to our Annual Conference
- Early sponsorship opportunities with recognition

**ASSOCIATE MEMBER DUES: \$1,000 (ANNUALLY)**

Visit [greatlakesports.org/join](https://greatlakesports.org/join) to apply.

## BECOME AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER TODAY

Ready to join AGLPA? Apply online at [greatlakesports.org/join](https://greatlakesports.org/join), or email Brian Oszakiewski ([brian@greatlakesports.org](mailto:brian@greatlakesports.org)) or Leslie Zager ([leslie@greatlakesports.org](mailto:leslie@greatlakesports.org)) to learn more.



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