AMPO Call for Leadership FAQ (frequently asked questions)

Question: Who's eligible to serve an a leadership role with AMPO?

Answer: Staff from an MPO that's a member of AMPO are eligible.

Question: Are any in-person meetings required?

Answer: For Interest Group leaders and the Leadership Roundtable, no. All of those meetings are virtual. The Policy and Technical Committees have in-person meetings at the spring fly-in every year, and also as part of AMPO's Annual Conference.

Question: What's the time commitment for the various leadership roles?

Answer: It's typically between 15 and 20 hours per year, excluding the in-person meetings of the Policy and Technical Committees. More information on time commitment for the leadership roles along with other information is available <u>here</u>.

Question: What types of volunteer leadership roles are available with AMPO?

Answer: There are a few spots available for leadership with the AMPO Leadership Roundtable (open to Executive Directors/Transportation Directors only) and with the Policy and Technical Committees. The largest number of volunteer slots available are with the leadership teams for the Interest Groups. We encourage volunteers to serve a year or more with the Interest Groups before applying for the Policy or Technical Committee.

Question: Can I apply for multiple positions?

Answer: We ask that you specify the group you're applying for, though if you're interested in Interest Group leadership you can rank the groups you'd like to serve on. We try to find leadership positions for as many people as possible, so if you apply for a role with the Policy or Technical Committee and we don't have a spot for you, we may ask if you're interested in helping with an Interest Group.

Question: Who chooses which applicants are selected to serve in volunteer leadership roles with AMPO?

Answer: AMPO's Board of Directors selects and appoints leaders for the Policy and Technical Committees. AMPO staff selects individuals for the Leadership Roundtable and the Interest Groups using factors such as geographic location and MPO size.

Question: When will selected applicants be informed?

Answer: You will hear from AMPO staff in October or November about a leadership role for the following year.

Question: Should I apply even if I don't have a lot of experience at an MPO?

Answer: Yes! AMPO looks for volunteers with varying levels of experience to create balanced teams. We also take into account factors such as geographic diversity and MPO size. There are emerging professionals positions on the Technical and Policy Committees for people with fewer than eight years of experience in the MPO world.

Question: Can multiple people from the same agency serve as AMPO leaders?

Answer: Yes! We avoid having multiple voting members from the same MPO on the Policy or Technical Committee together, but many MPOs have multiple staff members serving across the various leadership opportunities at AMPO.

Question: That all sounds great! How do I apply?

Answer: Click here to fill out the application!