



ASEA PRESIDENT THANK YOU LETTER

Dear fellow ASEA Member,

My name is Charles "Chuck" Stewart and I am an Adult Probation Officer working at the Anchorage Jail. I'm also the President of our union, ASEA/AFSCME Local 52. I want to briefly introduce myself and extend my heartfelt thank you for being a public employee and an ASEA member. No matter how long you've been with the state or ASEA, if you haven't yet, I hope you will consider serving in a union position at some point during your service. We are better with your voice, thoughts, and ideas. Even when we disagree, we can always find common ground and ways to better serve our members and the Alaskans who rely on our services. The following are three ways you can have a larger voice and influence on our organization:

ASEA is a member-run and member-driven organization

1. Serve on a Committee: As the ones in the 'boots on the ground' we know most what we need in order to improve our services to Alaskans. Check out our ASEA Committees to see if any align with your interests. Some of our committees are less active than others and might be waiting for your spark and interest to reignite it.
2. Serve on your Chapter Board: ASEA has 18 local Chapters for State of Alaska GGU members. From Valdez to Nome and Tok to Petersburg - each region has a local Chapter where members come together to discuss issues at a regional level, facilitate engaging member events and activities, and find the best ways to utilize Chapter funds to put back towards your membership and communities.
3. Attend a Biennial Convention or Political Education Leadership Conference Learn about our constitution and foundational documents and have a voice and a vote on the direction of ASEA at our Biennial Convention. These take place during even numbered years. During odd numbered years, we put together a Political Education Leadership (PEL) Conference in Juneau. ASEA members get a deep dive into the legislative process, an opportunity to speak with their legislators, and walk away with better ideas and confidence about how to advocate for the important jobs we do and public services we provide.

**THANK YOU, AGAIN, FOR ALL YOU DO FOR ALASKA AND ALASKANS,
EVERY DAY.**

Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns by emailing me at charlesstewartprez@gmail.com. You can also contact our main office by emailing aseahq@afscmelocal52.org or call 907-277-5200.

Finally, and most importantly, please encourage new GGU employees or non-members to sign up and get involved. We are stronger together.

In solidarity,

Charles "Chuck" Stewart
ASEA President | Anchorage



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