



## ASHRAE Region I Newsletter

**December 2025**

**This ASHRAE Region I Newsletter is published to bring you timely information about ASHRAE and Region I in order to keep you fully informed.**

Link to Region I website:

<http://ashraeregion1.org>

Check back often, as the site is currently being updated.

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### **EDITOR'S Message:**

The next big ASHRAE event coming up is the Winter Conference set for January 31 - February 4, 2026, which is held in conjunction with the AHR Expo in Las Vegas, NV.

Registration is now open for the joint Regional Dinner held in conjunction with the Winter Conference. Scroll down for more into, including the dinner flyer. The flyer features a QR code that will take you right to the registration website.

If you have any questions, or are interested in being a sponsor for this event, please reach out to Deanna Adkison ([dadkison@f-t.com](mailto:dadkison@f-t.com)).

The joint Regional Dinner is a tremendous opportunity to mingle with fellow ASHRAE leaders & members from three Regions!

**Region I** - Northeast USA from NY & North NJ to ME

**Region III** - PA, South Jersey, MD, DE & Washington DC.

**Region XI** - Northwest US and Canada

The Long Island Chapter of ASHRAE is hosting their third annual HVACR & Plumbing Long Island Expo. Scroll down to see more details.

Our Director and Regional Chair, Charlie Bertuch, has published a Region I Calendar.

Scroll down for details.

Our Research Promotion Regional Vice Chair, Eric Fontaine, has an update for everyone. Scroll down for information.

Our CTTC Regional Vice Chair, Murat Bayramoglu, has provided some information regard CTTC. Scroll down to read.

Finally, scroll all the way down for a save date announcement regarding the Region I CRC in Boston next year'

Yours in ASHRAE!

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New Jersey Chapter



2026 ASHRAE WINTER CONFERENCE  
Jan 31- Feb 4, 2026 | Las Vegas, Nevada

## REGIONS I, III, AND XI

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2026  
7:00-9:00 PM

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**2 event tickets**

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**1 event ticket**



**TICKETS ARE REQUIRED.  
USE THE QR CODE TO  
REGISTER**



# Long Island ASHRAE & ASPE



Proudly announce the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual

## HVACR & Plumbing Long Island Expo

**Please join us:**



March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026



2PM-7PM



WESTBURY MANOR

***Event to Include:***

Free Entrance

50+ of Long Island premier vendor exhibits

Open Bar included all day

Premium Food served all day

(3) PDH Presentations throughout the day

Hourly Raffle with great prizes



**ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION**

*To register please use the QR Codes or email:*

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*OR*

*Thomas: [tdibenedetto@outengineer.com](mailto:tdibenedetto@outengineer.com)*



**EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION**

*ASHRAE & ASPE looks forward to seeing you at the event!*

## ASHRAE Region I 2025 - 2026 Calendar

Update: 12/9/2025

2026 Winter Conference - Las Vegas	1/30/2026 - 2/4/2026	
Nominations: Board-Appointed Positions	2/13/2026	Nomination deadline for Standing Committees. Apply on-line
Chapter Leadership Academy	3/6/2026 - 3/7/2026	A 1.5-day crash course in Atlanta (March 3, 2026) focused on leadership skills, best practices, and ASHRAE-related challenges. Registration and transportation expenses for (4) Region I participants are paid by society..
Summer Conference LeadRS Program Application Deadline	3/27/2026	Future leaders shadow DRC at conference. \$1,250 max. reimbursement by Region I. Send nominations to DRC
Regional Technology Award Applications	4/1/2026	Short form application. Contact Region I CTTC RVC
Summer Conference Leadership U	Announced in Spring	Future leaders shadow ASHRAE officers at conference. Transportation, hotel, and registration reimbursed by ASHRAE. Apply on-line
YLW 1.0 (East Coast)	Spring 2026	Opportunity for the future leaders to learn more about ASHRAE, develop soft skills, reflect on personal traits and strengths, and network with other young professionals. \$400 - \$600 reimbursement by Region I. Apply on-line
YLW 2.0 (West Coast)	May 2026	Additional opportunities for previous YLW 1.0 participants. Apply on-line
ASHRAE Scholarship Deadline - HS & Freshmen	5/1/2026	For high school students and college freshmen. Apply on-line
Region I President-Elect Training/Regional Planning Meeting	5/1/2026 - 5/2/2026	President-Elects and Region Leadership Team. To be held in Troy, NY
Membership Promotion Centralized Training	6/28/2026	Held at summer conference. Transportation reimbursed by Society. Up to \$1,200 registration and hotel expenses reimbursed by Region
PAOE Deadline	6/30/2026	
Research Promotion Deadline	6/30/2026	
2026 Region I CRC - Boston	8/20/2026 - 8/22/2026	Transportation for Delegates and Alternates reimbursed by Society. Registration, hotel, and transportation reimbursed for Region I Ex Com.

## Region I Research Promotion Newsletter

Welcome to the 2025-2026 Research Promotion Society year. My name is Eric Fontaine and I am serving as the Region I Regional Vice Chair for Research Promotion. After a successful campaign last year, where Region I raised over \$271,597, Region I is poised to exceed our Society Goal again this year.

Since the end of the 2024-2025 campaign year, a lot has occurred. Region I hosted their CRC in Long Island, where RP training was provided to all participating chapters. We outlined the focus of each chapter's RP campaign, reviewed the goals for this year as well as the tools and tips that Society provides to all RP chairs to make their year a success.

On September 21 and 22, Society held Centralized training in Atlanta where four Region I chapters attended. The week prior, training was held in Denver where one other Region I chapter attended. This training is extremely valuable and gives the RP Chair the tools and resources needed to make their campaign run smoothly and attain goal, if followed. I encourage all future RP Chairs to attend this valuable training session.

For this upcoming year, the Region I goal is 238,000, up from last year with our Society goal increasing as well. We encourage everyone in Region I who donated last year to make this campaign successful please consider donating this year. Its easy and contribution to the RP Campaign can be made at [Invest in the RP Campaign](#).

Thank you again for allowing me to serve Region I as your RP Chair. I look forward to a successful year and will be providing updates to the Region throughout the year.

Eric Fontaine, P.E.

Region I RP Chair

## **Region I CTTC Update: Engineering Leadership Through Innovation**

As the Region I CTTC Vice Chair, I'm proud to spotlight the incredible work our chapters are doing to advance technical excellence, sustainability, and professional development. From monthly programs to strategic partnerships, Region I is uniquely positioned to lead the way in high-performance building design.

## **CTTC Roles: The Technical Pulse of Every Chapter**

Chapter Technology Transfer Committees (CTTCs) are the driving force behind ASHRAE's mission at the grassroots level. Our responsibilities include:

- Planning and executing monthly technical programs that deliver relevant, high-impact content
- Coordinating Distinguished Lecturer (DL) visits to bring global expertise to local chapters
- Promoting ASHRAE Technology Awards to recognize innovation in HVAC&R design
- Connecting members to external resources, including NYSERDA's groundbreaking initiatives

CTTCs are more than event organizers—they're technical ambassadors shaping the future of our built environment.

## **Monthly Programs: Fueling Knowledge and Collaboration**

Region I chapters continue to deliver strong monthly programming on topics like:

- Decarbonization and electrification
- Indoor air quality and ventilation strategies
- Energy modeling and controls
- Refrigerant transitions and heat pump technologies

These programs offer PDHs and foster collaboration across disciplines. Chapters are encouraged to leverage ASHRAE's Tech Hour series and DL program to keep content fresh, engaging, and non-commercial.

## **Distinguished Lecturer (DL) Access: Bringing Global Expertise Home**

Each chapter in Region I has access to ASHRAE's Distinguished Lecturer Program, featuring internationally recognized experts in HVAC&R, building science, and sustainability. Financial support is available for approved DL visits, and virtual options make it easier than ever to host top-tier speakers. Chapters are encouraged to:

- Submit DL requests early
- Coordinate joint events with neighboring chapters
- Explore hybrid formats to maximize reach

## **Region I Technology Awards: Deadline April 15**

A reminder to all chapters: Technology Award submissions are due by April 15. These awards recognize outstanding HVAC&R design across categories such as:

- Commercial and Institutional Buildings
- Healthcare and Industrial Facilities
- Public Assembly and Residential Projects

Winning projects at the chapter level can advance to regional and Society-level recognition. Let's showcase Region I's ingenuity and push our best work forward.

### **NYSERDA Support: Empowering Region I to Lead**

Region I members have a unique advantage: access to NYSERDA's Empire Building Challenge (EBC) and Heat Recovery Program, which provide funding and technical support for cutting-edge building design.

#### **Empire Building Challenge (EBC)**

The Empire Building Challenge is NYSERDA's flagship initiative to decarbonize New York's high-rise buildings. With over \$50 million in public investment and \$250 million in private sector commitment, EBC supports:

- Deep energy retrofits of tall buildings
- Scalable low-carbon solutions
- Collaboration between real estate owners and solution providers

Region I engineers and designers can integrate EBC support into their projects to demonstrate technical excellence and climate leadership.

#### **Heat Recovery Program**

NYSERDA's Heat Recovery Program offers up to \$2 million per project to capture and reuse waste thermal energy—ideal for buildings with simultaneous heating and cooling loads. Support includes:

- Opportunity assessments
- System design and implementation
- Manufacturer innovation and growth

These programs empower Region I members to reduce emissions, lower operating costs, and push the boundaries of sustainable design.

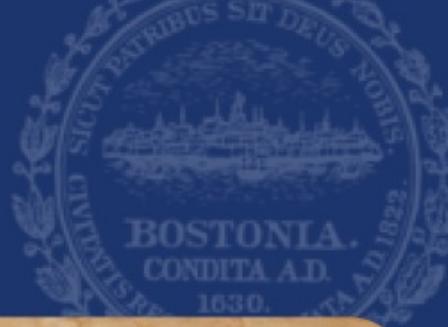
### **A Call to Action: Region I as a Global Role Model**

Innovation isn't easy. It demands courage, collaboration, and relentless pursuit of excellence. But Region I has the talent, the tools, and the tenacity to lead. By embracing ASHRAE's resources and NYSERDA's support, we can become a global role model for sustainable innovation.

We're not just designing buildings—we're designing the future.

Let's rise to the challenge. Let's show the world what Region I can do.

SAVE THE DATE



## Chapters Regional Conference (CRC)



DATES:

August 20-22  
2026



LOCATION:

The Westin Boston Seaport  
Boston, MA

Join HVAC&R professionals from all over the Northeast in historic Boston! Get ready for high-energy networking, the Region's largest trade show, technical sessions, and unforgettable social events.  
**Don't miss out!**

More details & registration information to follow.  
Visit the CRC website for updates: [ashraeregion1crc.com](http://ashraeregion1crc.com)





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