

# Colorado Construction Industry Coalition 527



Announcing the *Colorado Construction Industry Coalition 527!*

The *Colorado CIC* is a coalition consisting of the Colorado Asphalt Pavement Association, Colorado Contractors Association, Colorado Ready Mixed Concrete Association, Colorado Stone, Sand & Gravel Association and Portland Cement Association - Rocky Mountain Region. Together this group has combined to form an exciting new tool for improving the business environment for its collective members.

A 527 group is created primarily to influence the selection, nomination, election, appointment or defeat of candidates to federal, state or local public office and to influence ballot measures. When operated within the law, there are no upper limits on contributions to 527s and no restrictions on who may contribute (individuals or corporations). There are no spending limits imposed on these organizations; however, they must register with the IRS, publicly disclose their donors and file periodic reports of contributions and expenditures.

## **The Mission**

The mission of the Colorado Construction Industry Coalition 527 is to educate Colorado voters on the importance of investing in infrastructure and maintaining a competitive business climate in Colorado. The focus of the 527 will be to advance statewide initiatives that increase funding for infrastructure projects in Colorado. On occasion the 527 may invest in specific targeted political races where the Steering Committee deems it of extraordinary significance to the construction industry.

## **Governance Structure**

**Steering Committee:** Will direct and approve all expenditures of the Fund. It will be made up of representatives from companies that commit a minimum of \$20,000 per year to the Fund. Each company will have one vote on the Committee. Additionally each member of the CIC associations Executive Directors will serve as a voting member of the Steering Committee provided that he / she commits to raising at least \$20,000 for the Fund by 2013 amongst their organization's membership or directly from their organization. Future commitments / goals for fundraising to be set by the Steering Committee. The Steering Committee will operate by consensus. When necessary, a vote of 2/3 of the membership of the Committee is needed to make expenditures.

**Board of Advisors:** Will meet as needed to provide input and suggestions to the Steering Committee and will be made up of representatives from companies that commit a minimum of \$5,000 per year to the Fund.

**Supporters:** All other contributors to the Fund. May be invited to meetings of the Fund as needed and will be kept informed of 527 activities through the participating CIC associations.

**Legal Counsel:** David Foster will serve as the Administrator of the Fund. The Steering Committee may call upon consultants / advisors as they see necessary to carry out their role.

**The Colorado Construction Industry Coalition 527 can accept unlimited corporate contributions. To contribute, please make your check payable to:**

Colorado Construction Industry Coalition 527  
c/o David Foster, Foster Graham Milstein & Calisher, LLP  
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Please submit the following information with your check

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