



GET CONNECTED TO GOVERNMENT MEETINGS— PLUG INTO SGMP

WHO IS THE SOCIETY OF GOVERNMENT MEETING PROFESSIONALS?

- SGMP is the only national organization in the U.S. dedicated exclusively to government meetings
- Our mission is to enhance the knowledge and expertise of government meeting professionals
- Our objectives are to improve the quality and promote the cost-effectiveness of government meetings
- We were founded in 1981 and have grown to 30 chapters and nearly 3,500 members

WHAT DETAILS CAN I FIND AT “WWW.SGMP.ORG”?

- SGMP’s National Education Conference (coming soon on May 19-22, 2010, in Kansas City, Missouri)
- SGMP’s local chapters’ Web sites
- SGMP’s member benefits, which are delivered through **education, resources & networking**

WHAT VALUE DOES SGMP PROVIDE TO OUR MEMBERS?

- **EDUCATION**
 - ... 2010 SGMP National Education Conference
 - ... “CGMP” certification available to planner and supplier members
 - ... Expert speakers at monthly chapter meetings
- **RESOURCES**
 - ... Subscription to *Government Connections* magazine
 - ... Online toolboxes for planners and suppliers in Web site’s “members only” section
 - ... Tour of area conference facility at monthly chapter meetings
- **NETWORKING**
 - ... Comprehensive online and electronic membership directories
 - ... Industry forums at national and local meetings
 - ... Relationship-building at monthly chapter meetings

WHY SHOULD YOU GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR LOCAL SGMP CHAPTER?

- Affiliation with a local chapter is available to every SGMP member at no additional charge
- All chapter members receive additional member benefits exclusively through that chapter

WHO CAN JOIN SGMP?

- **Planners:** Government employees who plan/implement any type of meeting [\$50/year], or individuals under contract to government agencies to assist with those meetings [\$125]
- **Suppliers:** Individuals who provide facilities/services to government planners outside of planning/ implementing [\$300], or individuals compensated by those suppliers via retainer or commission [\$225]

HOW DO I JOIN SGMP?

- Complete the applicable membership application form(s) found on our Web site
- Supplier category applicants must join *along with* a Planner category applicant

WHAT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT MEMBERSHIP OR SGMP?

- Reach SGMP by email: membership@sgmp.org, by phone: 703-549-0892, or by fax: 703-549-0708

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