

Oklahoma Code Enforcement Association

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Greetings OCEA Members:

AGENDA: For our first day of the conference, we have invited our California friend, Tim Sun, to discuss Officer Safety with us. Tim is very passionate about Officer Safety and is a fabulous & energetic speaker. Be prepared to participate in some of the sessions. On Day 2, we will have another Q&A Session, in which you will have an opportunity to submit specific questions on a note-card that we will have available on Day 1. The final details for Day 2 are being made and a final Agenda will be available soon. Each class will have a specific ICC PP course number for ICC credit. The Conference will begin at 8:30am Thursday/8am on Friday.

OCEA SCHOLARSHIP: If you would like an opportunity to win a scholarship to cover this year's spring conference fee and hotel stay, please write a brief essay on how the code enforcement profession has helped you grow professionally and/or personally. You can send your submittal to the OCEA President Brian Henry at <u>codeenforcement@cityofperryok.com</u>, and the deadline to submit is 5pm, February 28, 2025.

OMAG SCHOLARSHIP: If you would like an opportunity to win a scholarship to cover this year's spring conference fee, and are an OMAG member city, please submit the OMAG scholarship form by 5pm on February 28, 2025 to Janita Hatley - <u>janita.hatley@normanok.gov</u> This scholarship form is always available on the OCEA website - <u>www.oceassociation.com</u>

CODE OFFICER OF THE YEAR: Now is the time for you or your city's management to submit recommendations for Code Officer of the Year. The submittal deadline is February 28, 2025. The winner and nominee's will be recognized during the Banquet. OCEA will send the winner on an expenses-paid trip to the AACE national conference (St. Louis in October 2025).

2025/2026 OCEA OFFICERS: We will soon be preparing the ballot for the following officer positions: 1 st Vice President (president-elect), 2nd Vice President (2-year term), and Sergeant-At-Arms. There is still time to submit your name for nomination. Please fill out the Candidate Information Form and submit to Janita Hatley at <u>janita.hatley@normanok.gov</u> by February 28th. Candidate info will be sent to everyone prior to the conference in order to get to know your candidates. ** You must be an Active OCEA Member to run for office and to participate and vote in the Election. The election will take place during the Business Meeting on Thursday morning.

CONFERENCE HOTEL: The Renaissance Tulsa Hotel & Convention Center is located at 6808 S. 107th E. Ave, in Tulsa - adjacent to the 71 st Street/Highway 169 interchange. There are many restaurants nearby, along with entertainment and shopping. The hotel is smoke-free and features spacious rooms with mini-refrigerators, cable, and signature amenities. Parking is complimentary to conference attendees, and you will receive a code to enter in their parking app upon arrival. Conference facilities are a part of the hotel, so we will be able to meet, eat, sleep and network under one roof. The Renaissance has Merlot's Lounge on-site to unwind after class.

MEALS AND BANQUET: We plan to have a Mardi Gras themed banquet on Thursday night, so be sure to mark YES on the registration form if you will attend. You may bring a guest with you for a \$25 fee, paid at least ONE week in advance. Extra banquet tickets at the door will cost a bit more. We will also feed you hearty breakfasts and lunches both days (Registered attendee's only).

Bring Door Prizes