

Dear [Chapter/ Region],

The Emerging Leaders Membership Council is a voice for the future of the building safety industry and represents the interests of the proud young professionals that have made this important work their own. It is in the spirit of that interest that we write this letter.

New tools have been made available to allow eligible ICC voters to contribute to the code process—remote viewing of code hearings and cdpAccess. Despite these innovations, voter turnout has not seen the uptick hoped for by our Membership Council. We hope to improve this by the 'Vote for Your Codes' initiative-- a collaborative effort through the ICC membership councils intended to increase voter turn-out, to invite young professionals to learn about the code development process, and to tap ICC's existing membership.



As part of the Vote for Your Codes Initiative the Emerging Leaders Membership Council and Sustainability Membership Council challenges you to commit yourself and your [Chapter or region] to a 100% ICC voter validation and 100% voting participation on cdpAccess for the members in your organization.

We are looking for every eligible, existing ICC voter that has not participated in previous code cycles to engage in the process. Participation in the code development process, at whatever level, is key to becoming a more effective code official, and to creating an effective code. We believe the next generation of code officials should be given the chance to understand the value of a centralized code produced through a governmental consensus process. The ELMC and SMC hopes that future engagement in ICC's voting process can be driven by the example of current officials making the vote a priority for both their own municipalities and the neighboring code officials. In that effort, we are calling on current leaders to ensure that the code continues to be produced with the input of the local code official. Please help us work toward this goal of full participation in the code development process.

Respectfully,