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BUILDING WHAT'S
Next FOR CSR

ATTENDEE WELCOME GUIDE

September 14-16 | Boston, MA



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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

We're excited to welcome you to the 2026 ACCP Annual Conference in Boston, the premier event for corporate social impact professionals seeking to connect, learn, and drive meaningful impact within companies and communities.

This year's theme, **Building What's Next for CSR: Navigating Change with Strategy, Skill, and Community**, reflects the moment we're in. CSR leaders are navigating increased pressure to demonstrate business value, adapt to shifting expectations, and lead through complexity. This Conference is designed to meet that moment with **practical learning, real conversations, and a trusted peer community**.

Through inspiring general sessions, dynamic panel discussions, interactive workshops, and peer-driven conversations, you'll gain the tools, frameworks, and connections you need to turn ideas into action and make corporate social impact a core driver of long-term business success.



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CONFERENCE AGENDA

MONDAY, SEPT. 14

7:30 – 8:30 AM

**Registration Opens for Executive
Network Summit**

8:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Executive Network Summit
(pre-registration required)

12:00 – 7:00 PM

Conference Registration Desk Open

12:00 – 5:00 PM

Activity Zone Open

A dynamic and interactive space designed to encourage meaningful engagement between attendees and valued ACCP partners.

12:00 – 5:00 PM

Wellness Room Open

Sponsored by E4E Relief.



CONFERENCE AGENDA

MONDAY, SEPT. 14

1:00 – 5:00 PM

Boston Learning Journey - Day 1
(pre-registration required)
Sponsored by Loomis Sayles

1:00 – 2:00 PM

Workshop Block 1

2:15 – 3:15 PM

Workshop Block 2

3:30 – 4:30 PM

Workshop Block 3

5:30 – 7:00 PM

Welcome Reception
Welcome to Boston! Enjoy an evening of cocktails, apps and a room full of friends.
Sponsored by KPMG and Liberty Mutual.



CONFERENCE AGENDA

TUESDAY, SEPT 15

7:00 – 9:00 AM

Community Convenings
(pre-registration required)

7:30 – 9:00 AM

**Continental Breakfast &
Activity Zone Open**

9:00 – 10:15 AM

Opening General Session & Keynote
C.H.A.N.G.E Traits® - The Mindset and Power
Skillset for Inspired Leadership Through Change,
with keynote speaker, Cassandra Worthy.

10:00 – 3:30 PM

Wellness Room Open
Sponsored by E4E Relief.

10:15 – 10:45 AM

Activity Zone & Coffee Break
Grab a beverage, network with
peers, and visit our exhibitors.



CONFERENCE AGENDA

TUESDAY, SEPT 15

10:45 – 11:45 AM

Workshop Block 1

11:45 AM – 1:00 PM

Lunch

1:00 – 1:50 PM

Peer Group Meetings

These conversations are for corporate social impact practitioners only.

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Boston Learning Journey - Day 2

(pre-registration required)

Sponsored by Fidelity Investments.

2:00 – 3:00 PM

Workshop Block 2



CONFERENCE AGENDA

TUESDAY, SEPT 15

3:00 – 3:30 PM

Activity Zone & Coffee Break

Grab a beverage, network with peers, and visit our exhibitors.

3:30 – 4:30 PM

Plenary Session:

Re-thinking CSR Strategy in a Time of Pressure and Possibility

Purpose Award Winner Announcement

Sponsored by Benevity

6:00 – 8:00 PM

Evening Reception at [Artists for Humanity](#)

(transportation provided)

Sponsored by National Grid



CONFERENCE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 16

7:30 – 9:00 AM

Continental Breakfast & Activity Zone

8:00 – 12:00 PM

Wellness Room Open
Sponsored by E4E Relief.

9:00 – 10:00 AM

Plenary Session:
Evolving Your CSR Skillset for What's Next

Purpose Award Winners Announcement
Sponsored by Benevity

10:00 – 10:30 AM

Activity Zone & Coffee Break

10:30 – 11:30 AM

Workshop Block 1

11:30 – 12:00 PM

Lunch



CONFERENCE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 16

12:00 – 1:15 PM

Closing Plenary Session:

Collaboration Beyond Corporate Walls:
The Power of Collective Impact

Purpose Award Winners Announcement

Sponsored by Benevity

REGISTRATION

Conference registration will be on the 4th floor of the hotel (accessible by elevator or escalator from the lobby level).

ACCP team members and volunteers will be available to assist attendees during the following times:

- **Monday**, September 14:
 - 7:30 AM: Registration opens for Executive Network Summit (pre-registrants only)
 - 9:00 AM: Exhibitor Check-in Opens
 - 12:00 – 7:00 pm: General Conference Registration Open
- **Tuesday**, September 15: 7:30 am – 5:00 pm
- **Wednesday**, September 16: 7:30 am – 1:30 pm



NEW THIS YEAR

Executive Network Summit

For those pre-registered for this year's Executive Network Summit, all activities will take place on the 7th floor in the Adams/Baltic/Parliament room.

Check-in for the Executive Network Summit will begin on Monday, September 14 at 7:30 AM on the 4th floor of the hotel, where you will receive your conference badge. Breakfast and lunch are included in your registration. For session details, please [click here](#).

Boston Learning Journeys

Learning Journeys offer Conference attendees an opportunity to step outside the traditional Conference setting and engage directly with the local community. In Boston, this immersive experience will introduce participants to nonprofit, community-based, and public-private partnerships that are working to address critical challenges and expand opportunity across the region.

Through site visits and facilitated conversations, Learning Journey attendees will hear directly from local community leaders and practitioners about the strategies, collaborations, and realities shaping their work. Participants will gain firsthand insight into how organizations partner with the private sector, navigate complex community needs, and develop innovative approaches to drive meaningful impact.

Advanced registration is required and will be accepted until September 7, or until spaces are filled. For more details and to register, visit [our page here](#).



CONNECTING DURING CONFERENCE

At ACCP, we believe connections fuel impact. Our Conference is designed not just to inspire you with ideas but to help you build meaningful relationships with peers who share both your passion and challenges in corporate citizenship. That's why we've curated several opportunities for you to deepen your network and make every Conference moment count:

Conference Buddies (CSR Practitioners ONLY)

If you pre-registered to be paired in the Conference Buddies program, check your email for your buddy's contact information and reach out to plan your meeting times and locations at Conference. For questions and additional support, email Hillary Roviario (hillary@accp.org).

Community Convenings (CSR Practitioners ONLY)

If you pre-registered for a Community Convening, check your email for details from your host and connection information for your group. If you missed the pre-registration window, check in with ACCP at the on-site registration desk to see if any spots remain. Email Hillary Roviario (hillary@accp.org) for further questions.

Peer Group Meetings (CSR Practitioners ONLY)

Peer Groups offer a focused opportunity to connect with fellow practitioners in facilitated sessions. These small-groups create a trusted space to share challenges, and exchange ideas from peers facing similar experiences. While some Peer Groups continue as ongoing communities exclusively for ACCP members, these Conference sessions are open to **any CSR practitioner attending the event** – whether you're an ACCP member or not.

This year's Peer Group meetings include:

- AI in Social Impact
- CSR Small Teams
- Executive Leadership Exchange
- Foundations and Grantmaking
- Navigating the Middle
- Volunteerism



EVENING RECEPTIONS

Monday's Welcome Reception

Join us from 5:30 - 7:00 PM for a Welcome Reception in the America Ballroom, located on the 4th floor of the Westin Copley Place. We'll get things kicked off with drinks, light hors d'oeuvres and a warm Boston welcome as you mix and mingle with fellow Conference attendees, reconnect with colleagues and peers, and meet the ACCP team.

Tuesday Evening Off-Site Reception

For our Tuesday evening reception, sponsored by National Grid, attendees will hop on the shuttle to visit local nonprofit, Artists for Humanity, for an evening of entertainment, chef-inspired hors d'oeuvres, drinks and more, while enjoying local artwork and participating in a group painting of the Boston skyline. You'll also have the opportunity to participate in a volunteer activity, sponsored by Goodera.

Please note: Shuttles begin boarding at 5:15 PM, departing from the Carriage Level of the Westin at 5:30 PM. ACCP staff and volunteers will direct you in boarding the shuttles. Return shuttles will be available from 7:45 - 8:15 PM.



ACCP CONFERENCE EXHIBITORS & THEIR ACTIVITY ZONE ACTIVITIES

Help us applaud the many generous organizations that provided financial support to make this year's Conference possible. We encourage you to learn more about each of them in the Conference app. You can also visit them in the Activity Zone in the America Ballroom Foyer during the Conference. Exhibitors will offer interactive, hands-on experiences that reflect the innovative and purpose-driven spirit of our community.

ACCP CONFERENCE EXHIBITORS & THEIR ACTIVITY ZONE ACTIVITIES

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What's Your Biggest CSR Challenge?
Enter to Win Expert Advice

Benevity

Business Impact
Calculator

YourCause from Blackbaud, True Impact & E4E Relief

Plinko for Purpose

Bonterra

Oura Quest

CAF America

Global Relief Navigator

Center for Creative Leadership

Leadership Insights & Trivia

Changing Our World

CSR Practitioner
Pulse Check

Emergency Assistance Foundation

Relief Fund Jenga

Fidelity

Discover Your CSR
Leadership Archetype

FSG

Strategy Check-In:
Aligned or Adrift?



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Give to Get

Let's Talk About the
Birds and the Bees

Goodera

Assemble Solar Lamps
for Disaster-Affected
Communities

Goodstack

Manifestation Station

Groundswell

Give a Damn.
Win Something Good.

Monitor Institute by Deloitte

Headlines of the Future

Myriad USA

Wheel of Fortune

National Women's Shelter Network

Care Kit Assembly for
Local Shelter

Operation Warm

Operation Warm Demo
& Event Opportunity

Story Pirates

Read a story / Write
a note to a child

Submittable

Little Helpers /
Build a bear

TeamBonding

AI for Good: Create,
Give & Make an
Impact

Undies for Everyone

Pack New Undies to
Give Kids Dignity

Visit.org

A Taste of Impact

YouGiveGoods

Prize Wheel



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CONFERENCE APP

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How to Access the Conference App:

1. **Please download the app before you arrive on-site.** To download, visit the app store on your phone.
2. **Search for the ACCP Events app.** Return to your device's home screen, open the app, and enter "2026 ACCP Annual Conference" in the search bar.
3. **Download the event.** Tap the  icon to download the event.
4. **Enter your info.** If you aren't automatically prompted to log in, tap the profile icon at the bottom of the screen to access the Profile tab, then tap **Log In**.

Enter your first name, last name, and email (email must match the address listed in your registration). Then tap the arrow.

5. **Verify your account.** You'll either receive an email and text message containing a verification code, or just an email. Read it, then return to the app, enter the code, and tap the arrow.

After entering the verification code, you'll be logged in and taken to the Conference home page or the Profile tab. Please note: Only registered attendees can access the app.



CONFERENCE SESSIONS AND CONTENT IN THE APP

This year, ACCP's Annual Conference offers workshops, main stage panel discussions and peer groups all focused on top-of-mind trends in the field. Please [visit our website](#) to explore the agenda.

Within the Conference app and website, you can find details on all session descriptions and speakers. For any session materials or additional resources provided by our speakers, you can locate these within the individual sessions in your app. Conference registrants will have access to these materials until the end of the year.

We have also tagged our sessions in the app under these categories:

AI & Tech

Equitable & Inclusive Practices

Aligning to the Business

Executive Level

Collaboration & Coalition Building

Grantmaking

Communications & Storytelling

Impact Measurement & Reporting



CONFERENCE SESSIONS AND CONTENT IN THE APP

Corporate Foundations

International / Global Programs

CSR Small Teams

Navigating the Current Landscape

Data & Trends

Place-Based Giving

Disaster Preparedness

Professional Development

Employee Ambassadors

Signature Programs

Employee Giving Programs

Strategy & Integration

Employee Volunteer Programs

If you are interested in a particular topic, you can filter by navigating to the “Agenda” tab, selecting “All Sessions,” and then adding a Filter for your category of interest.

You can access your social media channels directly from the app. On the home page, scroll down to the “Social Media” section and log in to your personal accounts. Throughout the Conference, share your learnings on social and tag #ACCP2026.



CONNECTING IN THE APP

Connecting in the App

The Conference app will serve as your hub for connection and information. We encourage you to follow the prompts and complete your profile, including your social media handles to make networking during and after Conference easier. Please turn on push notifications in the app, as we will be providing updates throughout Conference.

Attendee List

To learn more about other Conference attendees, select the “Attendee” tab. From the attendee tab, select an attendee’s profile, then click the icon with a plus sign (+) to the left of the person.

Connections

Once you’ve connected with a fellow attendee and they’ve accepted your request, you can find them quickly by navigating to your profile and selecting “connections.” From the “connections” tab, you can view your connection’s profile, start a chat, and view their connections.

We also encourage you to learn about our Conference sponsors and connect with their representatives within the app.



CONNECTING IN THE APP

Discussion Thread

Join your fellow attendees in various Conference conversations via the Discussion thread. You can navigate to our Discussion Threads from the icon on the home screen or by scrolling down to the "Conference Community Hub" section and joining any open discussion.

We encourage you to engage in this open forum throughout the Conference to share your experience, insights, "ah-ha moments," and questions with others. We also encourage you to actively engage with the discussion thread as a tool to connect with other attendees outside of Conference sessions, use it to make dinner plans, and connect socially.

Messaging in the App

You can continue that interesting post-session chat with new friends by finding their profile in the attendee tab and clicking the chat icon to start a conversation. You can also create a chat by locating the messages icon within your profile tab (a person in a circle) and clicking the plus icon.



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CONFERENCE AND SESSION FEEDBACK

Your feedback is everything! We invite you to share it – not only your overall Conference experience but also the individual sessions you attend.

Within the app, once you are scanned into your session as an attendee, you can view and complete the individual session feedback survey within that session. This feedback helps ACCP continue providing you the most relevant content possible.

After Conference, you will be provided a separate link to complete a survey on your entire experience – from sessions and networking, to the venue and more! Thank you in advance for completing it.



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PROGRAM CODE OF CONDUCT

ACCP is committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment in all activities, whether in-person or virtual. We do not tolerate discrimination, intolerance, harassment, aggression, or unacceptable behavior of any kind.

If you need to raise a concern, please contact a member of the ACCP staff. All ACCP team members will be wearing staff name tags for easy identification.

For a copy of the full Program Code of Conduct, [click here](#).

Outside of the Activity Zone, please remember that the primary purpose of Conference sessions is to educate and inspire thinking to further the CSR field. **ACCP has a strict 'no solicitation' policy within sessions, and we ask attendees and presenters to refrain from promoting specific businesses, practices, or products.**



HEALTH & SAFETY

The safety and well-being of our attendees, speakers, and staff are our highest priority. As such, we will adhere to venue policies and any applicable local, state, or federal health guidelines in place during the event.

If you feel unwell or develop any symptoms of illness, please do not attend any Conference sessions or functions. Instead, stay in your hotel room and reach out to an ACCP team member to let them know you are unwell by emailing mail@accp.org. Call 911 from your room's phone if you experience a medical emergency. This will ensure you can be quickly located.

In the event of an emergency, attendees should follow ACCP or venue staff instructions and posted signage to exit the building safely. Additional guidance will be provided on-site as needed to ensure a calm and orderly evacuation.



GET READY FOR BOSTON

ACCP does not have a formal dress code. We request that our attendees wear what they learn best in and that our speakers dress for success. We recommend dressing in layers, as meeting room temperatures can vary. Comfortable shoes are also encouraged.

If you use business cards, remember to bring plenty.

Set your 'out of office' notification to minimize interruptions while you're soaking up Conference content.

You will receive a tote bag at registration that can accommodate most laptops, should you want to carry yours.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We encourage you to use **#ACCP2026** on social media to share your excitement about the Conference, build awareness about the great content, and connect with your network.

To make this easy, here are some sample social posts that you can adjust the copy to your style. (Please tag ACCP: @accprof on X/Twitter, or @Association of Corporate Citizenship Professionals on LinkedIn and Facebook.)



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IN ADVANCE OF THE CONFERENCE

@accprof Annual Conference is a must-attend event for both learning and networking! I can't wait to attend sessions on #AI, #impact, #engagement, and connect with my peers! #accp2026 <https://accp.me/conference>

If you're looking for me Sept. 14-16, I'll be in Boston skill-building at the @Association of Corporate Citizenship Professionals Annual Conference! I can't wait to trade stories with other social impact pros and catch up on the latest CSR trends. <https://accp.me/conference> #accp2026

I'm Attending



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[www.accp.org/conference](https://accp.org/conference)

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STRATEGY • SKILL • COMMUNITY

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DURING CONFERENCE

We encourage you to take photos at the Conference, share your experiences and how ACCP is supporting your work. Feel free to reference/tag specific topics, speakers, and vendors.

Feel free to customize these messages with emojis, photos, or shoutouts, to make them your own!

- Kicking off #ACCP2026 and already feeling the energy. Can't wait to connect, learn, and celebrate with my peers!
- Grateful to be in a room full of changemakers. Purpose is alive and well at #ACCP2026!
- That moment when a hallway conversation shifts your whole strategy. These are the reasons I keep coming back. #ACCP2026
- Stopped by the Activity Zone today and got a spark of inspiration and a big dose of fun – come check it out! #ACCP2026



QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions or concerns before your arrival in Boston, please email mail@accp.org.

During the Conference, all ACCP team members will be wearing a staff nametag to be easily identified, should you have questions. The registration desk (on the 4th floor) will also be a central hub should you need assistance.