IAVE’s Global Corporate Volunteer Council

A global network of corporate social impact leaders.
The Global Corporate Volunteer Council (GCVC) is the only global leadership network for companies sharing a commitment to engaging their workforce as volunteers in the communities where they live and work throughout the world.

By equipping CSR professionals with the tools and resources they need, GCVC helps its members advance their global employee volunteer programs cross departmentally and globally, as well as excel in taking on the challenges of a complex and ever-changing world.

Being a member of GCVC allows you to engage with a truly global network of companies across countries, regions and industries, drawing on diverse expertise and experiences to share inspiring practices, provide insights, and inform cutting edge research in the field.

Joining GCVC allows you to be part of a movement, raising awareness of the impact companies have in addressing the world’s most pressing global issues through employee volunteering.
“Through volunteerism we can continue to achieve a true transformation of ourselves and society. With CEMEX UNITE our employees, as global citizens, are committed to the development of their community and their planet, and they are actively driven by our purpose of building a better future. Being part of GCVC network gives us a space for best practice sharing and trends happening globally around volunteering actions. As active members we are continuously connecting ideas, practices and possibilities to strengthen both hands on and skilled volunteering within CEMEX, our partners and the community.”

Martha Herrera
Global Social Impact Director, CEMEX
GCVC Benefits of Membership

Sharing & Benchmarking

Members share inspiring practices and challenges on all facets of employee volunteering. They discuss strategies and ideas on topics ranging from the Sustainable Development Goals, skills-based volunteering, impact measurement and much more. Between meetings, GCVC Members can benchmark with peers and tap their expertise using the Ask A Member feature.

GCVC Members have many opportunities to present their programs to their peers for visibility, feedback, or even to test out a new idea. A monthly newsletter outlines activities and registration links. These opportunities include:

- In-person GCVC meetings (2-3 per year)
- Virtual/webinar meetings (6-7 per year)
- Virtual working groups / small group discussions on topics of interest

Continuous Learning & Visibility

IAVE hosts a number of conferences, summits and forums each year. GCVC Members are invited to participate as attendees, speakers, and sponsors. Events include:

- Corporate Volunteer Forums on Specific Topics
- Biennial IAVE World Volunteer Conferences
- Regional IAVE Volunteer Conferences
IAVE and GCVC offer a wide range of resources for GCVC Members:

- IAVE continuously develops new knowledge on many volunteer topics, including corporate volunteering. Some reports are in multiple languages and can be accessed here. In June 2022 a comprehensive report on corporate volunteering was published called, Corporate Volunteering For a Post-Pandemic World. This report is based on interviews with 80 companies headquartered in 32 countries (download here: bit.ly/corpreport). A year later, in June 2023, a second part of this research was released called Corporate Volunteering For a Post-Pandemic World Part 2 (download here: bit.ly/corpreport2). This part 2 report focuses on the key trends and issues in corporate volunteering in each region and selected countries.

- The Global Network of Volunteering Leadership (GNVL) is an IAVE network of 100+ national and regional organizations working to strategically move volunteering forward. GNVL is a wonderful resource for local and cultural knowledge and expertise.

- The GCVC Members Website contains recordings of virtual GCVC meetings, member and guest presentations, lists of virtual volunteering opportunities, toolkits, articles of interest and much more.

- IAVE’s biannual e-magazine, Volunteering Together features timely volunteer topics and issues. GCVC Members are invited to submit articles.
How to Join

Membership in GCVC is for those with global responsibility for their company’s employee volunteer program. To qualify, companies must operate in at least three regions of the world.

The annual membership fee for GCVC is $9,500 USD.

For more information, please contact Lorrie Foster, Director of Corporate Strategy, at lorrie@iave.org.

“GCVC has been an incredible network for sharing and learning from other companies that, like us, believe that volunteering is a force for good. Now, with even more urgency, is the time for companies to cooperate and to join forces to address the current challenges. At GCVC we discuss trends and all topics that are critical for engaging our volunteers and for reporting our results and impacts.”

Rita Sacramento Monteiro
Head of Corporate Volunteering Program, EDP
A Truly Global Network Spanning All Regions & Industries

Click Here to See a Current List of GCVC Members

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GCVC is a program of the International Association of Volunteer Effort (IAVE). IAVE creates a more just and sustainable world by enabling the leaders, organizations, and environments that empower volunteers. With members in 70+ countries, IAVE is the only international NGO that nurtures and grows volunteer leaders around the world, promoting the ideas and values of volunteering as the fundamental foundation of civil society. Our expansive member network includes: volunteers, government agencies, multi-national agencies and institutions, academics, NGOs, businesses and volunteer leadership organizations throughout the world.