

# MICPA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our mission is to serve - our members, the CPA profession, and the public you serve. As your association, we're continually evaluating our efforts and when your needs change, we adapt using the four pillars of our strategic plan as our guide. Below you'll find association updates and activities taking place from July – September 2025 on several key initiatives.

Let us know what resources you may need or how we can better serve you by contacting us at any time. **We're here for you! 248.267.3700 | micpa@micpa.org**



## MEMBER EXPERIENCE

- Introduced MICPA Connect Weekly Digest to summarize and deliver discussions, questions and opportunities shared by members across the state straight to your inbox.
- Launched the new MICPA website on August 6 with more content and features, streamlined navigation and a refreshed look.
- Partnered with Event Garde to evaluate the needs, challenges and priorities of MICPA members beginning with a survey of member feedback in July.



Welcomed around 100 practitioners for two days of learning, camaraderie and idea exchanges at the 47th Annual Small Firm Practitioners Conference in Gaylord.



## SERVICE

- Facilitated nearly 8,500 CPA license renewals through the MICPA CPE Tracker for the 2024-2025 reporting period.
- Following the passage of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (HR.1) MICPA quickly implemented learning opportunities to address questions about the impacts of the bill on tax preparers and their clients.
- Partnered with KinderCare to provide MICPA members 10% off childcare tuition.
- Continued free monthly roundtables designed to equip members with a forum for discussion and an actionable plan to implement the AICPA's Quality Management Standards before the December 2025 deadline.
- Introduced Demo Days to bring top solution providers together online so MICPA members can ask questions and compare various software solutions.



ON THE ROAD SERIES traveled to meet with members in Escanaba, Marquette, Petoskey, Saint Joseph and Utica sharing profession updates.



## TALENT PIPELINE

- The AICPA and NASBA approved a new, nationally recognized pathway to CPA licensure requiring a bachelor's degree, two years of relevant experience, and passing the CPA Exam. Shaped in part by MICPA member feedback, the MICPA is now working to introduce this model in the Michigan legislature.
- MICPA joined the AICPA and other state societies to gain recognition for accounting as a STEM field urging the Department of Homeland Security to add accounting to its STEM Designated Degree Program List.
- In July, the MAF, MICPA and member volunteers introduced 32 high school students to the career opportunities available in accounting during a weeklong NABA Inc. career awareness program.



## RELATIONSHIPS

- MICPA and AICPA called on members to contact their federal legislators to advocate against certain pass-through entity (PTET) limits in HR.1. The final bill did not limit or address workarounds currently in place for PTETs and was signed into law on July 4.
- Following advocacy from MICPA members and the AICPA at Spring Council in Washington D.C., the Filing Relief for Natural Disasters Act was signed into law allowing the IRS to automatically align itself with state filing extensions granted after a governor declares a state of emergency.

Hosted a grassroots breakfast with Michigan State Representative Bill Schuette (District 95) facilitating conversations with our members about financial issues shaping Michigan's future.

