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## OVERVIEW

The Texas Society of CPAs (TXCPA) is the leading professional association for CPAs, accounting and finance professionals, and aspiring CPAs in Texas. Established in 1915, TXCPA advances a strong and thriving profession by promoting excellence, protecting the public interest, and building community among its more than 28,000 members across 20 local chapters. As one of the largest CPA societies in the nation, TXCPA provides the resources, advocacy, and connections professionals need to succeed throughout every stage of their careers.

## MISSION

Advance the interests of CPAs and the accounting profession through advocacy, access to knowledge, community connections, and career development.

## OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- **Workforce & Talent Development:** Expanding the pipeline of future CPAs and strengthening support for students and emerging professionals.
- **Membership Growth & Engagement:** Delivering exceptional value, community, and relevance across a diverse statewide membership.
- **Operational Excellence:** Enhancing efficiency and innovation to deliver high-quality programs and member experiences.
- **Visibility & Reputation:** Increasing awareness of the CPA profession and TXCPA's leadership role in safeguarding Texas' financial strength and accountability.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

**AcctoFi — Powered TXCPA:** AcctoFi is a separate 501(c)(3) organization focused on expanding access to high-quality accounting education and supporting the next generation of CPAs. AcctoFi delivers hundreds of continuing education programs annually in a variety of formats designed to keep accounting and finance professionals current, prepared, and fully compliant with Texas' ongoing CPE requirements.

**Peer Review Program:** Since 1989, TXCPA has administered the peer review program for Texas CPA firms engaged in accounting and auditing. This mandatory practice-monitoring system helps ensure the quality and integrity of services provided to the public. Firms must undergo a peer review every three years to meet Texas State Board of Public Accountancy requirements.

**Governmental Affairs and Advocacy:** TXCPA is the voice of Texas CPAs at the State Capitol and across all levels of government. We work to promote legislation that strengthens the CPA profession, supports a reliable business climate, and protects the public interest. TXCPA provides lawmakers and regulators with expert insight to help them understand the essential role CPAs play in the state's economic health and financial transparency.

**TXCPA PAC:** The TXCPA Political Action Committee monitors issues important to CPAs and helps ensure that the profession's perspectives are represented in public policy discussions.

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