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**CHAPTERS**

**Primary Goals of APBP Local Chapters**

1. *Help APBP members succeed*
2. *Connect and engage APBP members*
3. *Grow APBP member knowledge and expertise*
4. *Put a local face on APBP*
5. *Create a feedback loop between APBP and APBP members*
6. *Strengthen and grow the profession locally*
7. *Promote interdisciplinary conversation and collaboration*
8. *Work across disciplines to achieve local active, sustainable transportation goals*
9. *Inspire creativity across jurisdictions and political divides*
10. *Add value to and expand APBP membership*

**Five Recommended Elements of APBP Local Chapters**

1. **Member Benefits**

* Social & networking events
* Mentor opportunities
* Contribute to the profession
* Engage with APBP

1. **Program Diversity**

* Meet-ups – *purely social or with program elements*
* Panels
* Pecha Kucha sessions
* Presentations by thought leaders and subject matter experts
* Active Transportation Tours (i.e. Complete Streets tours)
* Women Cycling Summit

1. **Professional Development**

* Host local and regional conferences
* Host APBP webinars
* Host APBP on-site workshops (accessibility, bicycling parking, complete streets)

1. **Effective Communication**

* To, from and between members
* With other APBP chapters
* Ensure strong member input into APBP programming
* With other organizations
* With local and regional government by recommending policies & engagement in public discussion

1. **Outreach**

* Students/academic programs
* Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committees
* Professionals in advocacy organizations
* Pro bono work in underserved communities (e.g. walk and bike audits)
* Senior mobility
* Schools, parks, transit (Safe Routes to School; to Parks, to Transit)

**Support From APBP National**

1. **Financial Support**

* APBP makes $100 per year available to each Chapter to support Chapter designated activities/events meeting the following guidelines:
* Funds may be used for food, non-alcoholic beverages, signage, exhibit tables at approved conferences/events, fliers, brochures, or other approved promotional materials. If you would like to use funds for something not mentioned here, please contact national headquarters at [info@apbp.org](mailto:info@apbp.org) with your specific request.
* Funds will be distributed as a reimbursement. Please submit your reimbursement request within one month of the usage date using [this form](https://amrms.box.com/s/vslk7ojswo7wrt4leeo3ssuuaq9d2gyd).

1. **Chapter Page on APBP Website**

* APBP will create a Chapter page on our site: apbp.org. [Lauren Mangnall](mailto:lmangnall@amms.com?subject=APBP%20Chapters) will create the page for you and contact you when it’s ready for use.

Thank you for your interest in starting an APBP Chapter!