

BENEFITS TO A PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM:

- A safe work environment
- Reduced injury and illness rates
- Lower workers' compensation cost
- Increased morale
- Recognition as a leader in safety and health
- Close working relationship with highly skilled, well trained KY OSH staff
- Establishment of a positive safety culture
- Compliance general schedule deferrals

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KY OSH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

The Kentucky Labor Cabinet offers several different partnership opportunities to employers in Kentucky, including:

- OSH Strategic Partnership
- Voluntary Protection Partnership
- Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program
- Safety Partnership Program
- Construction Partnership Program

OSH STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

The OSH Strategic Partnership (OSP) program is a unique partnership which may involve a number of different entities. In conjunction with the Division of Education and Training, parties work together for the benefit of a specific industry or trade to establish safety and health goals and to create a plan of action in order to achieve those goals. Unions, trade associations, local governments, and councils are examples of those parties which may be involved in an OSH Strategic Partnership.

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VOLUNTARY PROTECTION PARTNERSHIP

The Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) is a nationally recognized program that identifies and promotes employers with exemplary safety and health management systems in their facilities. This is a detailed and highly regarded program within general industry, and only the “best of the best” are accepted. Approval into VPP is official recognition of the outstanding efforts of employers and employees who have achieved an exemplary degree of occupational safety and health. There are many benefits associated with VPP, one of which is an exemption from a general scheduled visit from the OSH Division of Compliance for three years.

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SAFETY AND HEALTH ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION

The Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP) is similar to the Voluntary Protection Program but designed to recognize the smaller employer. While the standards to be met for this program are high, they are slightly less stringent than those of VPP. Many employers use SHARP as a stepping stone towards VPP certification. Acceptance into SHARP is an achievement that singles out a business among its peers as a model for worksite safety and health.

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SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

The Safety Partnership Program (SPP) is designed for the employer needing guidance in the area of safety and health. With this program, the Division of Education and Training works closely with the employer, usually over the course of several months, to assist integrating the aspects of a good safety and health program management system into the worksite. The benefit is a safer workplace for employees and lower injury and illness rates for the employer.

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CONSTRUCTION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

The Construction Partnership Program (CPP) offers formal agreements to promote health and safety. A site-based partnership involves utilizing highly trained safety and health consultants to perform on-site audits to find potential hazards and make recommendations to improve safety. A training-based partnership involves partnering with a specific association or group to provide awareness of various safety and health issues, to enhance the safety knowledge base.

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