Join Us!

PROTECT YOUR BUSINESS
CAPTURE SAVINGS
ADVANCE OUR INDUSTRY
The Oregon Winegrowers Association (OWA) advances and protects the investments of its members. Harnessing the power of statewide consensus, the OWA stands as a vital advocate for the health, growth and economic sustainability of Oregon’s wine grape growing and wine production community.

The Value of Membership:

LEGISLATIVE
OWA is the premier statewide organization scanning the horizon for emerging issues and advocating on behalf of growers and wineries to policymakers at the state and federal levels to ensure the Oregon wine community’s continued success.

REGULATORY
As the regulatory landscape becomes increasingly complex, OWA members stay informed through timely compliance guidance and updates.

SAVINGS
OWA members capture savings through preferred pricing with various benefit partners, and save on Oregon Wine Symposium tickets.

See full benefit details on www.oregonwinegrowers.org

“The OWA represents the Oregon wine industry, both federally and statewide, on legislative and regulatory issues affecting growers and winemakers. It is membership funded, getting no portion of the grape tax, and is focused on giving a voice to every member, even a small business like mine. It’s why I’m a member and will continue to be.”

- TERRY BRANDBORG, BRANDBORG WINERY & VINEYARD
STATE LEVEL INITIATIVES

**Tonnage Tax Fairness:** Effectively lobbied state legislators to level the playing field, ensuring all wineries buying and crushing Oregon wine grapes are subject to the same $25/ton grape tonnage tax.

**Winery Wastewater Permits:** OWA’s advocacy spared wineries on farmland producing fewer than 6,000 cases of wine from having to obtain permit coverage due to low environmental risk.

**2019 Legislative Session:** Helped pass legislation allowing undocumented Oregonians to obtain drivers licenses so they can get to and from work; ensured no double taxation for privilege and excise taxes under the new Commercial Activities Tax; and joined industry stakeholders to express concern about a bill to lower the Blood Alcohol Content from .08 to .05 for DWI offenses.

**Commercial Solar on Farmland:** Provided input to the Land Conservation and Development Commission on rules balancing commercial solar development on high-value farmland with protections for farm uses.

**Compliance Seminars:** Webinars on issues related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and regulation of clean drinking water at wineries.

**Federal Initiatives**

**Federal Disaster Assistance:** Worked closely with legislators to secure $3 million in federal disaster assistance for Oregon winegrowers whose grapes were affected by wildfire smoke.

**Smoke Impact Research:** OWA’s collaboration with winegrower groups in California and Washington secured a $2 million federal appropriation to support research to help growers and processors better manage and reduce impact of smoke exposure.

**Federal Excise Tax:** Successfully lobbied with WineAmerica and other industry groups for a one-year extension of the Craft Beverage Modernization and Tax Reform Act providing reduced federal excise tax rates for all Oregon wineries while addressing drafting errors that led to complications for bonded wine cellars and custom crush facilities. Work will continue in 2020 to seek a long term extension or permanence.

**TTB Rulemakings:** OWA members from around the state helped to develop comments in response to TTB’s 132-page Notice 176 rulemaking seeking to amend regulations governing labeling and advertising of wine; submitted comments to TTB’s Notice 182 on standards of fill for wine.

**FDA Produce Safety Rule Exemption:** OWA partnered with Washington State and California winegrowers to eliminate burdensome paperwork involving commercial processing disclosures.

**Legalisitic & Regulatory Work**

“The use of vineyard workers is tied directly to our industry. The OWA championed the passage of legislation that allows undocumented workers to safely drive to and from work. This not only helps our vineyards, but helps the entire industry. Furthering OWA through membership support to keep our industry thriving seems the least we could do.”

- JP VALOT, SILVAN RIDGE WINERY

“The annual legislative reception in Salem and the advocacy trip to Washington, D.C. underscore the strong and productive relationships the OWA has developed with decision-makers at the state and federal levels.”

- BOB MORUS, PHELPS CREEK VINEYARDS
COMPLIANCE

OREGON WINE SYMPOSIUM

$60 off

event tickets

OFFICE DEPOT

Average savings of 25%

plus, free next-day delivery on

orders more than $50

ASSOCIATION HEALTH CARE PLAN

20-30%

average member savings

*expected early 2020

FEDEX

Up to 65% off

select FedEx services

LEGAL GUIDANCE

Free

access to attorneys for

“mailbag” legal or regulatory

questions and information

GIVILY

20-30% discount

off charitable giving platform

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To be eligible for Professional Membership, you must have one or more planted vineyard

acres in Oregon or be an owner, operator or have a significant financial investment in a

bonded, commercial Oregon winery. Our dues year runs from January through December.

Member Type: Winery ___  Winery/Grower ___  Grower ___

Company: ______________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________

Company Phone: _______________________________________________________________

Primary Contact Name: __________________________________________________________

Email: _________________________________________________________________________

Dues Calculator - Minimum Dues $200, Maximum Dues $6,000

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\text{TOTAL CASES OF WINE SOLD} & \times \$0.20 = \\
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OWA receives wine requests for political events. Please check this box if you are willing
to donate to this effort.

The OWA contributes a portion of your dues to the OWA Political Action Committee.

Please check this box if you do not want a portion to go to the PAC.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Credit Card

Credit card payments are accepted online at www.oregonwinegrowers.org

Check

Return completed form and make checks payable to:
Oregon Winegrowers Association (Indicate 2020 Membership Dues)
4640 SW Macadam Ave., #240
Portland, OR 97239
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 14, 2020
OWA Annual Meeting and Legislative Reception, Salem

February 11-12, 2020
Oregon Wine Symposium, Oregon Convention Center, Portland

June 7, 2020
Crush on Oregon, Castaway, Portland

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