



All About AAFAME

Information for Members



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Welcome from the President!

On behalf of the entire Austin Association of Facility and Maintenance Engineers (AAFAME), I'm thrilled to welcome you as a new member! By joining AAFAME, you are now part of a vibrant community of like minded professionals dedicated to advancing our industry through shared knowledge, best practices, and impactful relationships.

I encourage you to make the most of your membership by attending our upcoming events, joining a committee, and exploring all that AAFAME has to offer. Our community thrives when members like you contribute, share, and inspire each other. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions or need assistance getting started—we're here to support you every step of the way.

Thank you for choosing AAFAME as a partner in your professional journey. I look forward to seeing you at future events and witnessing the positive impact you'll bring to our association.

Warm regards,
Peter Nelson
AQUILA Commercial
2026 AAFAME President





New Member Checklist

- Log in to your member profile - Explore these key features:
 - Calendar of Events - Registration required for most events
 - Member and Vendor Directories
 - Career Center
 - Committee Information
 - Update your contact details

- Attend monthly luncheons & training classes for professional development and networking.

- Choose a committee that aligns with your interests.

- Volunteer for events and projects to connect with other members and make an impact.

- Engineers consider signing up for Incentive Program for free dues & events!

- Vendors utilize vendor sponsorship opportunities to maximize exposure.

- Promote AAFAME to colleagues and other professionals.

- Stay Informed by making sure you receive our weekly email updates and follow us on social media for real time updates.

- Participate in our fun Annual Events such as the Chili Slam & Vendor Expo.

- Present at training sessions or luncheons to showcase expertise.

By following this checklist, you'll be well on your way to making the most of your membership while contributing to the success of AAFAME.



Introduction to AAFAME

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

Membership Types, Pricing, & Description

ENGINEER

Engineer members are those persons that are practicing maintenance in the commercial buildings and facilities within the Austin metropolitan area.

PROPERTY MANAGER

These members are those persons that practice as property managers in commercial buildings and facilities within the Austin metropolitan area.

VENDOR

Vendors are required to supply professional services and contracting businesses providing goods and services to commercial buildings and facilities within the Austin metropolitan area.

ADDITIONAL VENDOR

Additional vendor representative from an existing vendor company. This will allow them to be listed on membership roster and in directory.

Renewal date of 12/31 of each year.

PRIMARY GOAL: To promote professionalism for building maintenance & facility engineers

- Founded in 1985
- Non-profit trade association 501(c)6
- Consists of over 550+ members
- Represents 300+ companies
- 60% Engineer members / 40% Vendor members
- Serves commercial real estate property management industry for Austin area & surrounding areas

Who are AAFAME members?

- Chief Engineers
- Lead Engineers
- Intermediate Engineers
- Entry Level Engineers
- Property Managers
- Contractors / Suppliers / Vendors



What types of facilities does AAFAME represent?

- Office Buildings
- Industrial & Retail Facilities
- Mixed-Use Facilities
- High Rise Living / Condominiums
- Government Facilities
- Medical Buildings
- Financial Institutions
- Hotels & Hospitality
- Institutional / Educational Facilities

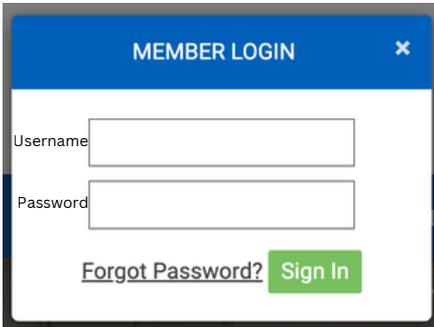
Association Structure

- Volunteer ran organization with a board of directors and part-time staff
- 9 board members including 5 executive officers
- Committees consist of chairs and co-chairs who manage the members who serve on the committees
- We are a non-profit trade association (not a charity)

1. How to log in. Click here



2. Enter username & password.

A screenshot of the 'MEMBER LOGIN' form. It features a blue header with the title and a close button. Below the header are two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. At the bottom of the form, there is a link for 'Forgot Password?' and a green 'Sign In' button.

Jot down your credentials here so you don't forget them!



3. What you can find on the website:

- Vendor & Sponsor Search
- Member Search
- Calendar of Events
- Register for Events
- Career Center
- AAFAMEExchange
- Sign up for Committee
- Committee Chair Info
- Update your Contact Info
- Find Invoices

#1 BENEFIT:

Membership provides unique access and availability to an invaluable network of professionals and information



Luncheons

- **Monthly networking luncheons** typically held at the Norris Conference Center the second Wednesday of each month (with some exceptions)
- Topics include technical skills & professional development
- Average attendance is 160 Engineer & Vendor members
- Allows for networking with other attendees
- **Pre-register for all events**



Education

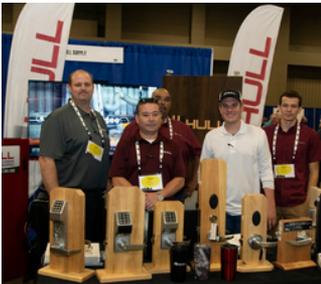
- We hold **monthly training classes** with topics related to building maintenance and professional development
- Continuing education available to maintain BOMI destination
- Open to both Engineer & Vendor members
- Training is typically two hours
- Opportunities for vendors to teach classes encouraged!
- **Pre-register for all events**

Annual Chili Slam - Spring



- May 7th, 2026
- Located at @ Travis County EXPO Center
- Biggest event of the year! 1000+ attendees!
- Volleyball, Horseshoes, Washers, Tug of War, Chili Cook Off, Brisket & Ribs, and Jackpot Competition
- Networking for Engineers & Vendors
- Fees apply to participate
- For more details: chilislam.com

Annual Tradeshow



- August 25th, 2026
- Palmer Event Center
- Over 75 Vendors exhibits
- Over 400+ Engineers & Managers attend
- Many prizes, including a Grand Prize of \$500!
- Fees apply for Vendors to participate
- For more details: aafameexpo.org

Bi-monthly volunteer projects include:

EXAMPLES OF PAST PROJECTS

Texas Ramp Project

iACT Painting Projects

Central Area Food Bank

Safe in Austin Rescue Ranch

Work Days to build projects

Weekend & Weekday Opportunities



Committee Info

- Committees meet monthly, bi-monthly or quarterly
- Typically held over lunch with food provided (or another time of day convenient for everyone)
- Meet either in-person or by phone
- Volunteers to assist brainstorm for topics, presenters, new trends that other members can benefit from
- Great way to get to know other Engineers & Vendors
- Committee chairs are volunteers! Found on website!

Which committee is right for you?

Chili Slam

- Help organize our annual volleyball & chili cook off event. Help sell vendor sponsors and recruit teams.

Vendor Expo

- This committee is responsible for planning the details for the annual Vendor to Engineer Tradeshow including theme, layout, food menu, graphics, & promo items.

Community Services

- Identify projects within the community where AAFAME can volunteer & donate our efforts.

Which committee is right for you? (cont'd)

Luncheons

- Assist with scheduling speakers & topics for the monthly luncheons. 30 minute presentations.

Training

- Assist with scheduling speakers & topics for the monthly training classes. 2 hour presentations.

Membership

- Promotes the association to new Engineer & Vendor members. Invite potential new members to luncheons. Administer the incentive program.

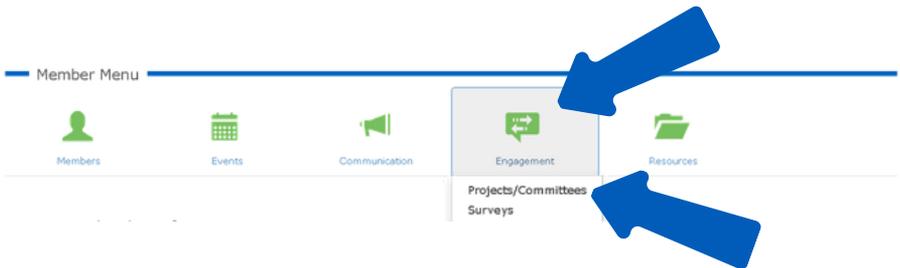
NextGen Skills

- Identify partners for career outreach and launch entry level building engineer online training.



Signing up for a Committee

- Log in to your member profile www.aafame.org
- Scroll to click on “Engagement” drop down menu to select “Projects/Committees”



- Click “Enter Area” under desired Committee
- Click “Sign Up”
- Enter comments in the comment box as desired then click “Sign Me Up!”

Project Name: Incentive Program

Additional Comments:



AAFAME offers an incentive program for those **Engineer members** that volunteer & participate.

Engineers that meet criteria below will be eligible for free dues & luncheons the following year (value of \$985) + \$200 CASH to keep in their pocket!

Incentive Criteria

- Attend a minimum of 6 COMMITTEE MEETINGS
- Attend a minimum of 6 EVENTS
- Attend a minimum of 2 TRAINING CLASSES
- Attend at least 1 PROFESSIONAL SERIES
- Complete a minimum of 12 VOLUNTEER HOURS



Vendor Sponsorship Opportunities

- Sponsorship opportunities are announced in the fall of each year for the following year
- Including: Luncheons, Chili Slam, Expo, Directory, Newsletter & more
- Budget figures range from \$500 to \$6,500.
- 85% of our Engineers reported they use AAFAME Vendors and sponsors

Vendor Requirements

Current Vendor members are required to meet three of the following six criteria to be eligible to renew membership for the following year:

- Company be represented at least 50% of AAFAME annual Monthly Luncheon.
- Have a table at the annual Expo (between \$1,500 - \$2,500).
- Volunteer ten hours on AAFAME committees or projects.
- Sponsor a cumulative \$500 financial support (other than dues or expo table) of AAFAME activities.
- Present topic of interest at a training class or luncheon.

How we communicate:

Weekly emails

- Upcoming events including training, luncheons, committee meetings



Social Media

- Stay up to date - Follow us on social media!



@AustinAssociationofFacilityMaintenanceEngineers



@aafameatx



AAFAME

What is your role as an AAFAME member?

- Don't just join, participate!
- Network
- Attend events & committee meetings
- Promote AAFAME to your peers & customers
- Have fun!



Questions?

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