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# Margie Moulin Announces Candidacy for 2nd VP



**H**ello APCO members, my name is Margie Moulin, and I am a long time APCO member from Oregon with 27 years of experience in public safety communications.

Every new year provides us an opportunity to learn, grow and plan. With that in mind, and with the support of my family, my management team, and my Board of Directors, I am humbled to announce my candidacy for 2nd Vice President of APCO, and kindly ask for your support.

I began my career as a dispatcher in 1991 and worked through the positions of Communications Training Officer, Supervisor, Operations Manager and Assistant Director before being promoted to the position of Director at Southern Oregon Regional Communications (SORC) in 2006.

Over the past decade, I have been directly involved in a large dispatch consolidation which included designing and building a new facility. The opportunity to plan, coordinate and manage this endeavor was a tremendous learning opportunity. At the completion of this project in 2009, I was named as the Director of this new entity, Emergency Communications of Southern Oregon (ECSO), and remain in that position today.

My amazing journey with APCO began in 1994. I became involved at the chapter level, serving on the Oregon combined APCO/NENA Chapter Executive Committee as the Vice President (2005), President (2006), Immediate Past President (2007), and then as Oregon's Executive Council

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representative to APCO International from 2009-2015.

Nationally, I served on the APCO Awards Committee beginning in 2008, and was chair of this committee from 2010-2012. In 2012, I was appointed as a Group Leader, providing operational oversight of committees, and acting as the liaison between the committees and the Executive Committee. In 2013, I was named the Group Leader Chair, serving until 2015 when I was elected by the Western Region, as a Representative on the Board of Directors. An impactful part of my APCO career was the ability to not only graduate from the first Registered Public Safety Leader (RPL) Class in 2011, but also from the inaugural Certified Public Safety Executive (CPE) Class in 2017. I truly value the benefits of APCO training that allows me to positively impact my agency and my peers.

Today, we face critical changes in our profession. Next Generation 9-1-1 will bring opportunities and challenges to serve and protect our communities in ways we have not

even thought of yet. Technological changes will continue to advance at an alarming pace, with which we struggle to keep up. It is our responsibility as an association to educate and mentor our members so that they may help the PSAPs and their employees across the country prepare for tomorrow.

NextGen, location accuracy, funding, operational impacts, hiring and retention, voice and data communication, FCC rules and regulations, spectrum allocation, OMB reclassification, and the wellness of our employees are some of the issues that must remain in the forefront in order to serve our communities appropriately.

Through all of these changes, we must listen to and hear our members at all levels. We need to work together to address all of the issues listed above affecting our profession.

Through my industry accomplishments and involvement with APCO, I have had the opportunity to meet and be mentored by some amazing individuals. I've reached a time in my professional and personal life where I strongly believe that I can provide similar opportunities to our membership. It is my goal to enhance the knowledge, skills and abilities of our future industry leaders, which will shape the future of public safety communications. I would be honored to have the opportunity to serve as your 2nd Vice President of APCO International. ●

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