

*mission of the Houston Area Council of ABWA is to promote involvement among participating Chapters and Express Networks, and to provide opportunities for combined activities to enhance our membership, to publicize ABWA and to promote education within our community.*

# Houston Area Council of ABWA

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The Houston Area Council of ABWA (HACA) is an umbrella organization, consisting of 15 member Business Leagues, with an approximate total membership of 800 women.

- An individual cannot join HACA independent of a business league membership. When an individual joins a local ABWA Chapter or Express Network, that individual automatically becomes a member of the Houston Area Council.
- Sponsors the Woman of the Year and Top Ten Recognition Luncheon for membership honorees.



*Thank you to all our sponsors for your continued support, as we could not reach our goals without you!*

For more information about the Houston Area Council of ABWA, please visit [www.abwahouston.org](http://www.abwahouston.org)

As a member of the American Business Women's Association, you are part of an organization making certain that women continue to move forward, understand new technology, embrace new concepts, and improve their leadership skills.

As a member of the Houston Area Council, members have access to ABWA Business League and Council Community Connections Boards. More importantly, members build relationships across the District.



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# Houston Area Council and You!

Leadership is not about personal gain and speeches, it is about vision and purpose that provides opportunity for individuals to excel and achieve their aspirations

– Dr. Melanie Brown

## Why Join Houston Area Council

Much like local leagues, ABWA Councils also sponsors events and programming from time to time. Councils are essentially regional conglomerates allowing business leagues to work together enriching the membership experience. Councils provide a great way to expand members' network and leadership opportunities beyond the local level.

Easy Online Registration and Payment Options for Business Leagues and Participants.



The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.



## Council Membership Opportunities

After joining ABWA, members are eligible to join a local league and participate in Council activities to capitalize on the benefits of membership through networking and leadership opportunities, including holding council and national positions. Local opportunities include:

- Developing professionally through informative programming at quarterly meetings
- Gaining leadership skills while working on committees, managing projects, and speaking at league functions
- Running for a leadership position at the Council and National Association level
- Increasing community and league visibility through the networking opportunities
- Networking with local professionals expanding both your personal and professional networks
- Becoming part of an inspiring community beyond the local league focused on

## 2018 Council Quarterly Meetings

**DATE:** Jan 28, Apr 28, Jul 21, & Oct 20 on the 4th Thursday of the month

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m. - Networking /Shopping  
6:15 p.m. - Dinner / Program  
7:00 p.m. - Meeting/Awards

**PLACE:** The H.E.S.S. Club Building  
5430 Westheimer | Houston, TX 77056

For more information about the National Association, please visit [www.abwa.org](http://www.abwa.org)

## 2016 Executive Board

Chair .....Nicole Rincones  
Vice Chair.....RoVin Garrett  
Financial Officer ..... Desarie Hobbs  
Communications Officer..... Lindsey Meadows

## 2016 Business League Members

Bryan/College Station

Cy-Fair (CYFEN)

Energy Express Network

Fort Bend Charter Chapter

Greenspoint Chapter

Houston Area Professional Express Network

Humble Artesian Chapter

Leading Women Express Network (LWEN)

South East Express Network (SEEN)

Victoria Express Network (VPEN)

Women Empowering Women Express Network

Women Growing Together Express Network

Women of Vision Express Network

Texas A&M Student Chapter

University Park Express Network Student Chapter

## Houston Area Council Membership Fees

The annual dues for HACA are \$100.00 payable every year on January 1st.

League Members can conveniently renew their membership online > [Membership Renewal](#)

**MEMBER**

**COST:** \$33.00 (dinner fee) /  
\$53.00 (exhibit)