

Schedule of Events **Day 1**

TUESDAY • MAY 20, 2025

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Registration

Hub Foyer

8:00 am – 9:50 am

Chapter Executives State Policy Roundtable

Hub 1 Conference Room



From licensing to building codes and permitting processes, 2025 has been an exceptional year for legislative activity at the state level impacting the plumbing and HVAC industry. PHCC chapter executives will convene to discuss these challenges and exchange strategies.

10:00 am – 10:50 pm

First Timers Briefing

Hub 1 Conference Room

First time to D.C.? Twentieth? It doesn't matter, since Chuck and Mark will provide a personal briefing on advocacy best practices and an overview of PHCC's legislative agenda.

11:00 am – 11:50 pm

PHCC Government Relations Committee Meeting (*by reservation only*)

Hub 1 Conference Room

The PHCC Government Relations Committee meets monthly to review the federal and state policy landscape. This in-person meeting is mandatory for GR committee members, but you are welcome to participate as an audience member and meet the PHCC members that are active in driving our policy agenda. Please contact Mark Valentini at valentini@naphcc.org if you are interested in participating, space may be limited.

12:00 pm – 12:50 pm

Lunch

Grand Hub Center

Lunch will be served to all conference attendees prior to keynote speakers and general session.

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Keynote Speaker Tom Davis

Grand Hub Center

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Our annual keynote speaker is a former Member of the U.S. House of Representatives and co-author of the book *The Partisan Divide: Congress in Crisis*. Rep. Davis will offer an objective view of the political landscape to help contractors better understand the political dynamics driving the policy process on Capitol Hill.

2:10 pm – 3:00 pm



The Chuck and Mark Show LIVE!

Grand Hub Center

PHCC's own Chuck White and Mark Valentini will provide a detailed briefing on legislative meeting protocols, an in-depth look at our policy agenda, and answers to any of your questions.

3:10 pm – 4:00 pm

Washington Insider Panel, Part 1

Grand Hub Center

Mark Valentini will moderate a panel with one of Washington's top tax lobbyists alongside subject matter experts from the contracting and manufacturing industries to determine how federal tax policy impacts contractors.

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

AHRI/HARDI/PHCC Joint Advocacy Reception

Caucus Room, Cannon House Office Building, Third Floor

(Transportation will be provided at hotel entrance beginning 5:00 pm.)

After an informative day of educational content, wind down with refreshments alongside your fellow PHCC contractors—in addition to distributors, wholesalers, and manufacturing representatives—at a joint reception on Capitol Hill co-hosted by PHCC, Heating Air-conditioning and Refrigeration Distributors International (HARDI) and Air-conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI). Several Members of Congress are expected to join us for intimate conversations to learn more about our industry.

Schedule of Events **Day 2**

WEDNESDAY • MAY 21, 2025

7:00 am – 9:00 am

Registration

Hub Foyer

7:00 am – 9:00 am

Breakfast

Grand Hub Foyer

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7:45am – 8:45am

Washington Insider Panel, Part 2

Grand Hub Foyer

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As you prepare for your Capitol Hill meetings over breakfast, a panel of Washington lobbyists moderated by Mark Valentini will share their professional experiences and impart their own wisdom on conference attendees to make sure you are prepared for the day ahead.

9:15 am

Group Photo in Front of U.S. Capitol

East Front, U.S. Capitol

We will gather in front of the East Front of the U.S. Capitol (side of Capitol facing the U.S. Supreme Court) for a group photo before breaking for our meetings.

PHCC staff will be positioned beginning in the YOTEL lobby/main entrance and stationed at key points along the route from the hotel to the West Front as you walk to the photo location. It is recommended you leave the hotel for the Capitol photo no later than 9:00 am.

Transportation will not be provided. If you require special assistance, please find a member of the PHCC staff immediately so that we can assist you.



9:30 am – 4:00 pm

Legislative Meetings

Capitol Hill Office Buildings

PHCC will make all arrangements for you and your state delegates to meet with your Members of Congress. We will discuss the following issues:

- **Tax Reform:** The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 reduced the federal corporate tax rate to 21%, allowed tax deductions for qualified business income and increased estate tax thresholds to minimize the tax burden on family businesses preparing to transition to the next generation. However, many of these tax policies are set to expire at the end of 2025 resulting in tax increases and uncertainty for American businesses. The new Congress and administration has made tax reform a top priority for this year which would extend key provisions and further reduce the corporate rate to 15%.
- **Workforce Development and Funding:** As we enter appropriations season, we must ensure continued funding for programs that provide pathways to careers in plumbing and HVAC, including the Department of Labor's registered apprenticeship program, Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA), and Perkins Career and Technical Education (Perkins CTE). We must also support workforce policies that continue to ensure apprenticeship programs produce journey workers with the holistic skillsets needed to succeed in construction trades.
- **Consumer Impact on Electrification:** As Congress and the Trump administration reconsider the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), plumbing and HVAC contractors know better than anyone else the costs and realities of electrification policies on consumers, such as the ability to keep homes warm and water hot during the winter months. Lawmakers will want to know how the IRA has worked out for you and your customers, and whether rebate programs are worth continuing or modifying.
- **Responsible Energy Policy:** America's energy portfolio must remain diverse and leverage the energy resources we have right here at home. Fossil fuels such as natural gas must be part of the solution - America can't do it on renewable energy alone. Robust energy legislation that includes the Energy Choice Act will ensure Americans continue to have affordable and efficient choices in how they power their homes and businesses.

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Closing Reception

YOTEL Rooftop Bar and Swimming Pool

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After a long day of meetings, settle down with your PHCC friends and share your experience over hors d'oeuvres and libations.

Keynote Speaker and General Session

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Former U.S. Congressman Tom Davis (R-VA)

Co-Author of *The Partisan Divide: Congress in Crisis*

Tom Davis is a former Republican congressman for the Commonwealth of Virginia. He served seven terms and authored more than 100 bills that became law. Throughout his tenure in Congress, he was widely recognized as a skilled legislator, an honest broker, and a political mastermind. He is known for his encyclopedic knowledge of political minutia, often lecturing members of Congress on the electoral history of their own districts.



Session Moderator:

Mark Valentini

Vice President, Legislative Affairs

Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors—National Association

A veteran government relations professional with more than 20 years of experience in the United States Senate, and with several national trade associations, Valentini applies his expertise in infrastructure policy, workforce and training initiatives, tax and insurance matters, and small business advocacy to lobby Congress on behalf of all PHCC members.