ICSC GOVERNMENT RELATIONS CHAIR SPOTLIGHT





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Emily D'Agostini Kunath is currently in her third year as the GR Chair for Michigan.

How did you become involved with ICSC's government relations?

I have been with ICSC since 1999. I started on the committee for Next Gen shortly after joining, transitioned to the committee for the Continuing Ed Program back when it started in 2005, and became the GR Chair in Michigan in January 2023. I joined the state committee when I became the GR Chair.

Which ICSC meeting is your favorite to attend?

Both Federal Fly-Ins that I attended were unique and memorable. It is a surreal feeling to be part of the fabric and conversations of everyday life in Washington, DC, that become the news of the world. Additionally, assisting in assembling the Continuing Ed Programs in Michigan for 20 years has been extremely rewarding in that we are able to share exciting content with nationally recognized speakers to our colleagues here in Michigan.

What is your favorite hidden gem in Michigan?

My favorite hidden gem in Michigan is not so hidden. What I love about our state is our ability to build and manufacture. We have the highest number of engineers per capital in Michigan, which equates to an immeasurable coffer of talent and midwestern work ethic. The white sandy beaches along the western coastline aren't bad either.

What's the best piece of advice you've ever received?

"Know Thyself, Be Thyself, Forget Thyself."

