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New Jersey Chapter

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New Chapter President



Photo: Rich Morales being sworn in by Colin Dansberry

Please join us in welcoming Rich Morales, CPCU, CIDM, PMP, FIDM as the incoming New Jersey Chapter President.

We would also like to thank outgoing President, Rick Cerrato, CPCU, APA, AAI, CRIS, CIPA for your service and commitment to the New Jersey Chapter.



Photo: Rich Morales and Rick Cerrato

A Message from the President



Dear New Jersey CPCU Society Chapter Members,

I hope this message finds you well. As we embark on the new year, I am thrilled to share with you the exciting initiatives and opportunities we have planned to enhance your experience as a valued member of our chapter.

Member Value:

Our primary focus is on ensuring that your membership brings tangible value to your professional and personal growth. We will continue to offer new programs, events, and resources aimed at enriching your CPCU experience. Whether it's networking events, exclusive industry insights, or member-only benefits, we are committed to making your

membership a valuable investment.

Career Development:

Your success is our priority. In fact, it's what brought us together through our individual CPCU journeys. Be on the lookout for membership programs, career workshops, and resources to help you navigate and succeed in your career.

Community Service:

Our chapter is not just about professional growth but also making a positive impact on our community through volunteering and good works initiatives. The chapter will plan meaningful community service initiatives, where we can come together to contribute to the well-being of those around us.

It is my pleasure to serve you as your new chapter president. Feel free to reach out to me with any suggestions or thoughts you may have. The path to success for our chapter is closely tied to us collectively contributing to a meaningful and supportive community.

I also want to thank Rick Cerrato for his tremendous contributions and service as your chapter president over the past two years. Rick will continue to be involved with the chapter's leadership team.

We should all look forward to an exciting year ahead.

Best regards,
Rich Morales
President, New Jersey CPCU Society Chapter

Past Events

Annual Planning Meeting and Social

On January 18th, chapter leaders and members gathered for a 2023 re-cap and 2024 planning session followed by a social get-together.

Thanks to all who attended.

Meeting topics included planning for I-Day, partnerships with college students, volunteer activities, educational sessions, social events and more. Stay tuned for a full calendar of planned events.

If there are any topics or events of interest to you, please reach out as planning for 2024 continues.



Future Events



Charity 5K Run/Walk/Dog Walk for Colon Cancer

Calling all CPCUs (and family and friends) who'd like to get outdoors to support a worthy cause. Join members of the NJ Chapter as we participate in the March Fourth 5K.

Cause: To benefit the Colorectal Cancer Alliance, the largest colon cancer association worldwide.

Date: Sunday, March 3, 2024

Time: 9 AM for runners and walkers; 10 AM for the dog walk

Where: Brookside Drive, Millburn, NJ

(The street that traverses the South Mountain Reservation)

Please answer the polling question below to let us know if you plan to participate so we may have an idea of how many CPCUs, family, and friends will be a part of the event.

REGISTER

Are you planning to participate in the 5K event?

Yes

No

Undecided



Register Now for In2Leadership 2024

Join us at In2Leadership on March 19-20 in Phoenix for two days of innovative leadership training with experts from Thunderbird School of Global Management at Arizona State University.

- Expert-led leadership training
- Interactive learning
- Networking opportunities
- Recognition through a certificate of completion
- And more!

SAVE MY SEAT

March Ethics Event



Date: Tuesday, March 26th 9:00-12:00
 Place: Virtual on-line session
 Topic: Ethical Uses of AI in the Insurance Industry
 Presenter: Rita Williams-Bogar

More details and registration information will be provided soon.

This session will be filed for CE Credits

Mentor Match Program



Whether you're looking to provide expertise and guidance, or you're seeking expertise and guidance, the CPCU Society's Mentor Match program is a great place to grow your professional network and discover new paths your career can take.

BEGIN YOUR JOURNEY

Stay Connected

INteract - a community designed exclusively for CPCU Society Members. Here you can share ideas, discuss challenges, post questions, search for other members and more!

Join the conversation today by logging into <https://interact.cpcusociety.org/>

Visit NJ CPCU You Tube Channel

Leadership Opportunities

Would you like to be more involved in the Chapter? Would you like to broaden your network of contacts within the industry? Are you looking for a leadership position to add to your resume?

Why not consider joining the NJ Chapter's leadership team? There are leadership positions available for motivated individuals; we will find a way to best utilize your special interests or talents; maybe you want to help recruit new members or participate in college job fairs to introduce students to opportunities in the insurance industry, or help with social media outreach, or aspire to become an officer in the organization. You may think that volunteering for a leadership position will take a lot of your time, but the reality is that you can dedicate as much time as you are able.

If you would like to learn more about the opportunities available, please contact chapter President, Rich Morales [via email](#).



Corporate Partnerships with NJ CPCU

- Are you a hiring manager or learning & development leader in your company?
- Are you an employee that wished their employer did more to support the CPCU designation and your involvement in NJ CPCU chapter activities?
- Are you an employer looking for exposure to the top 5% of Insurance Industry Professionals in North Jersey?

A partnership with the NJ CPCU chapter is what you need. We're looking to meet with decision makers at the organizations that employ our members. The NJ CPCU leadership team has developed a unique value proposition that can help develop new hires, staff open positions, cultivate leaders, and create a pipeline of tailored employee prospects. All the while, we can offer these benefits while helping to reduce the expenses employers associate with all of these functions. Interested? Contact our leaders and we can set up a time to meet/talk.

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Webinars & Learning Opportunities

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