The American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) offers various committee involvement opportunities. Each committee plays a different role in APPA's operations:

**AWARDS**
This committee is responsible for the solicitation and review of all nominations submitted and determination of the best recipient for each APPA award based on the award’s criteria. The committee seeks nominations; selects award recipients; notifies award recipients; notifies each nominee; collects suitable photographs and summarizes and submits materials to the APPA Secretariat for printing of the awards program. For more information, contact:

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**CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW**
This committee is responsible for receiving recommended amendments to the constitution from members of the Board of Directors. Any amendments recommended by the general membership must be presented to the membership at large by the Board. This committee then submits the amended constitution to the Executive Committee for their consideration and then voted on at the membership meeting. For more information, contact:

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**CORPORATE RELATIONS**
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ISSUES, POSITIONS AND RESOLUTIONS/RESEARCH
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INTERNATIONAL
The purpose of this committee is to reach out to probation and parole services in other countries in order to learn about their issues and programs and to see what application this information might have for probation in the United States. The committee is made up of members who have a desire to learn about probation in a broader context and who want to share their interests in a particular probation service with others. This is often accomplished through international workshops at APPA Institutes. For more information, contact:

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Membership
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Nominations
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TRIBAL ISSUES
The APPA Tribal Issues Committee was established by APPA in 2011 to provide a forum for tribal, county, state, and federal community corrections personnel to bring to the forefront issues facing Indian Country, work together to identify ways to address those issues, and share ideas with other community corrections professionals and decision makers.

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VICTIMS’ ISSUES
The purpose of the Victims Issues Committee is to enhance understanding of community correction’s role in providing services to crime victims. The committee also identifies issues and training topics to enhance community corrections programs and services for crime victims. Public hearings, during which crime victims speak out, have been scheduled by this committee in conjunction with APPA institutes.
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