MEMBER BENEFITS

The Ohio Grocers Association (OGA), founded in 1899 in Springfield, has served the Ohio food industry for over 100 years. OGA is a non-profit trade association representing over 430 members throughout Ohio.

OGA’s purpose is to represent its membership through legislative and regulatory efforts, with an effective government relations program; to be the resource for industry education and communication; to work with industry partners and alliances to best serve the membership; and to operate as a professional income-generating business dedicating its resources to the membership.

Our strength is in our numbers – every membership counts.

Join and learn more about Retail Member Benefits (open to any retail food establishment operating in Ohio) or learn about Associate Member Benefits (open to any supplier, distributor, wholesaler, manufacturer, or service provider doing business in Ohio).

retailer member benefits
- Legislative & Regulatory Representation
- Industry Communications, Updates & Alerts
- Tuition Reimbursement / Scholarships
- Education & Compliance
  - OGA Super Poster
  - Compliance & Training Kits
  - Task Force Opportunities
  - Yearly Conferences

associate member benefits
- Access & Exposure To Retail Members
- Legislative & Regulatory Representation
- Industry Communications, Updates & Alerts
- Tuition Reimbursement / Scholarships
- Education & Compliance Seminars & Materials
  - OGA Super Poster
  - Compliance & Training Kits
  - Educational Conferences
  - General Human Resource Forms & Applications
  - Service Discounts

member programs & service discounts
- Electric Program
- Natural Gas Program
- Superfleet / Fuel Program
- Worker’s Comp
- Check Recovery
- Wireless Communications
- Lighting Program
- Money Orders
- Coupon Redemption
- Electronic Signage
- 2-Way Radio
- Credit Card Processing
- Health Insurance
- Store Evaluation
- Communications

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access & exposure to retail members

- **Membership List**: A print and electronic copy of our membership database (which includes addresses, phone numbers, and high level contacts) is available for use.
- **Networking & Invitations**: Associates are given topic-oriented invitations to functions and venues for customer interaction, including golf outings, our annual Trade Relations Gala and other networking events.
- **Listing**: Your business is listed in our printed and online Buyer’s Guide, with links, if applicable.
- **Partnering**: Opportunities are always available to partner with and participate in retail member outreach programs, conferences and task forces.

legislative & regulatory representation

OGA acts as your aid and an extension of your staff for legal and regulatory issues. We have an excellent relationship with both legislative and regulatory agencies. OGA’s strong presence and active involvement has saved members thousands of dollars by fighting against tax increases, crippling regulatory issues and other damaging legislation. Representing the single-store operator as well as the largest member, OGA is your voice in Columbus and Washington, D.C.

industry communications, updates & alerts

Members also receive quarterly editions of the *OhioGROCER* Magazine, the annual Membership Directory and Buyer’s Guide, our website (www.ohiogrocers.org), *The Weekly Checkout* email briefings, and other industry-related events and alerts (including recalls, bad check notices and scams).

tuition reimbursement / scholarships

Through OGA’s Foundation, our Tuition Reimbursement Program provides financial support to individuals who wish to enhance skills, increase job knowledge and further their career at their company. Up to $1,000 per employee per year is available! In addition, the Foundation has scholarships available for qualified applicants.

education & compliance

OGA keeps its members up-to-date on the latest food industry and compliance issues by providing training and materials that you can use for your business:

- **OGA Super Poster** – A poster with all Ohio and Federal required postings in one convenient location.
- **Compliance & Training Kits** – Including a customized OSHA Kit, Selling Alcohol Safety Kit and Food Safety Kits
- **Yearly Conferences** – Topics include Loss Prevention, Compliance and Cost Management.
- **Task Force** – Opportunities to participate in member committees discussing industry topics such as Loss Prevention enable members to share problems and successes, and create solutions for such issues.

programs & service discounts

OGA members receive a variety of discounts tailored to saving money and enhancing their bottom line. Discount programs such as electric, natural gas and even worker’s comp are just a few of the many we offer.

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- Worker’s Comp
- Check Recovery
- AED program
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ELECTRIC PROGRAM
This program brings value to our members thru electric savings. Most see a savings up to 6% a month!

SUPERFLEET/FUEL PROGRAM
Start saving 5 cents per gallon on gas by participating in our Superfleet Fuel program.

CHECK RECOVERY
Our partner, Cash Flow Solutions can tell you within minutes if and how they can put more money back in your pockets with their check recovery program.

LIGHTING PROGRAM
Your one stop program with Illuminating Technologies that’s designed for all of your lighting needs. Preferred pricing for OGA Members!

COUPON REDEMPTION
Want to make your coupons more profitable? Look no further for competitive rates and quick turnaround!

2-WAY RADIO
Increase employee productivity and customer satisfaction with no monthly fee!

HEALTH INSURANCE
Group policies and health plans are available to qualifying members.

CONSUMER MARKETING SERVICES
ProLogic provides customized, real-time, in-lane and multi-channel customer loyalty and digital marketing solutions to help retailers engage customers and build business.

LEGISLATIVE/GOVERNMENT
The Ohio Grocers Association strives to be the leading voice and advocate for Ohio’s food industry through legislative and regulatory activities and relationships.

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT /SCHOLARSHIPS
OGF provides financial support / scholarships to individuals who want to enhance skills, increase job knowledge and further food industry careers.

NATURAL GAS PROGRAM
Take advantage and save money on your natural gas service.

CARDIOREADY CERTIFICATION
Partner with CardioReady for turn-key life-saving Automated External Defibrillator (AED) solutions to protect your customers, staff and vendors while enhancing your brand.

WORKER’S COMP
OGA’s Workers’ Compensation Program has been a key tool for many members to reduce costs and improve profitability.

MONEY ORDER
Partnering with MEMO, our members enjoy excellent savings on their money orders!

P & C INSURANCE
Check out OGA’s Preferred choice for P & C Insurance, Andrews Insurance – our specialty insurer for the Ohio grocery industry.

CREDIT CARD PROCESSING
Working with U.S. Bank, OGA members receive highly competitive rates and a no-obligation quote!

COUNSEL CLUB
Members have access to Matt Austin of Roetzel & Andress (OGA’s legal counsel) for legal updates, employment, labor issues and more.

MCO
OGA partners with CareWorks for MCO and recommends them as the best fit for members.

COMMUNICATIONS
OGA has a variety of marketing and communications resources available for members to assist with their promotion and messaging.

OHIO GROCERS FOUNDATION
OGF serves members with resources, information and ongoing opportunities to enhance their position in Ohio’s food industry.

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