



# ASMC Gulf Coast Chapter Newsletter

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Brianna Hoppel

## President's Corner

Written by Brianna Hoppel, President

ASMC Gulf Coast Members,

And another fiscal year cycle is under way! In our office we are heading full speed into fall with FY24 R/P docs, Program Execution Reviews, Cost Estimate Reviews, Non-Advocate Cost Assessments, PEM parades, and POM submissions! Thankfully, in addition to all our FM duties this season, we also get to look forward to the upcoming Holiday Season. This means for most of us celebrating with family and friends and indulging in sweets and treats and good home cooking! Hopefully, it also means reflection, a time when appreciation and gratitude is found and expressed for even small things, we can be thankful for. Take a moment to find time to volunteer in your community and for the organizations you are involved in. Stay tuned for emails from the ASMC workflow on volunteer opportunities, and I look forward to seeing you at the ASMC Cookie Exchange! Best wishes for this 2022 season!

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# Announcements

## 2022-2023 Executive Committee:



President	Brianna Hoppel
VP-Eglin	Vacant
VP-Hurlburt	Mika Gellinger
VP-Tenant	Kristen Moyer
Secretary	Dan Genest
Treasurer	Stef Gonzalez
2 <sup>nd</sup> Treasurer	Kristin Creak
Reconciler	Meredith Bynum
Programs	Vacant
Publicity	Sharon Pedersen
	Brock Herrington
RPDI	Vacant
Membership	Amy Tolar
	Meia Hampton
CDFM/Education	Meredith Bynum
	Pam Summers
Ways & Means	Marcella Miller
Community Service	Jaclyn Mailoto – FH
	Pat Dewitt – care pkg
Webmaster	Jason Guzzardo
Newsletter	April Campbell
Retiree Advisor	Ken Pickler

Please contact Brianna Hoppel if you are looking to join a committee this year. We have positions available. The ASMC Executive Committee meeting minutes are posted at <http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org>

**Care Packages**  
If you would like to donate to care packages that go to our deployed FM members, please contact Patrick DeWitt.

Thank you for being the reason you made someone smile!

## ASMC HQ Information

Please shop our Amazon Smile link to support our GC Chapter!  
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59->



### ARMED FORCES Comptroller Journal

ASMC members receive a printed issue of the quarterly Armed Forces Comptroller and have access to the online version at no cost. The current issue of the AFC is available. To access the most recent four issues and their assessments for CPEs, please visit our Online Learning Center or visit <https://asmconline.org/resources/> for more information.

# Membership News

## ASMC Membership Drive

Receive a \$20 gift card

when you recruit a new ASMC member.

Rules: This incentive is for the first 5 ASMC Gulf Coast members to recruit a new ASMC GC member from Dec 12<sup>th</sup> through Dec 31<sup>st</sup>.

New member must add your name as recruiter on membership application.

Excludes renewals and past members. Gift cards will be given out in February.

Membership POC: Jameia Hampton and Amy Tolar

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Join at: <https://asmconline.org/membership/join-login/>

Current rates: \$40 for a single-year membership or \$96 for a three-year membership through Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.  
New rates, effective January 1, 2023, \$50 for a single-year membership or \$120 for a three-year membership.

### Five Types of Membership are Available:

- 1. Active:** Open to Active Duty, DoD Civilians, or US Coast Guard who are actively employed in military comptrollership.
- 2. Life:** For those who have been Active, Associate, or individual Corporate Designee Members (excluding Corporations) for 20 consecutive years in good standing. In addition, those who joined prior to 1979 and who became designated Life Members prior to 1 October 1998.
- 3. Retiree:** Retiree Membership recognizes those ASMC members who are “fully retired” and not working in any other profession other than occasionally doing “volunteer” work.
- 4. Honorary:** Must be approved by the National Executive Committee and has no fee. It may be granted to those who make significant contributions to military comptrollership, not eligible or otherwise expected to join.
- 5. Corporate:** Available for private sector companies with an interest in military comptrollership field.

Pricing and benefits found here:  
<http://www.asmconline.org/membership/corporate-membership/>

Membership Dues are \$40 a year; or \$96 for 3 years discounted rate.

Explore leadership and networking opportunities and membership tools and benefits to help invest in your career:

<http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/membership.html>

### Join online

<https://imis.asmconline.org/net/enroll.aspx?jointype=m>

# Publicity/Volunteer Opportunities

*Would you like to share some Holiday Cheer while raising funds for ASMC?*



*Requesting Christmas gift wrapping volunteers at the Eglin BX for the following times: (need **3 more** volunteers **per time slot**/more is welcome in case of cancellations)*

*7 Dec (Wed) 1100-1300*

*21 Dec (Wed) 1100-1300*

*POC:*

*Marcella Miller (marcella.miller@us.af.mil)*



# Events

*Hosted By:*



## *ASMC Gulf Coast Chapter*



*Holiday Cookie Exchange*

**Dec 15th, 2022**

**1400-1300**

**Bldg 350, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
(PK Conference  
Room)**

**Cost: Free**

**Cookies, Coffee and Hot  
Chocolate Bar  
compliments of ASMC**

**Calling all Bakers!**

**Please join us for a cookie exchange and showcase your favorite Holiday dessert! If you would like to bring cookies/dessert please have in place shortly before 1400. Cookie bags provided for exchange.**



Questions please contact:

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# National News

## Here's What Still Needs to Happen for Feds to Get Their 2023 Pay Raise

By Eric Wagner



With just two weeks remaining before a deadline to keep the government open and a month left until the end of Congress' term, pressure is mounting on lawmakers to reach last-minute deals on fiscal 2023 appropriations and the annual defense policy bill. But that also means there's just one month left for Congress and the White House to act to ensure federal employees receive a pay raise next year.

President Biden initially proposed an average 4.6% pay increase for civilian federal workers in 2023 as part of his fiscal 2023 budget request last spring, split between a 4.1% across-the-board increase in basic pay and an average 0.5% boost to locality pay. Biden formalized that figure when he released his alternative pay plan in August, an annual document that the White House publishes to prevent much larger automatic increases to locality pay from taking effect in accordance with the Federal Employees Pay Comparability Act.

But federal employee groups and some Democratic lawmakers have urged the administration to adopt a more generous raise of 5.1%—split between a 4.1% increase in basic pay and an average 1% increase in locality pay—given the recent upticks in both inflation and federal workers' health insurance premiums through the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program.

Thus far, those calls have been met with silence. Biden's pay plan has remained at an average raise of 4.6%, and when the House passed its appropriations bills last summer, it declined to weigh in on federal worker compensation, effectively endorsing the White House plan.

Although congressional leaders remain in negotiations on an omnibus spending package that would avert a government shutdown and fund the government through next September, it seems unlikely that Congress will ultimately override Biden's proposal and offer a more generous pay increase, given the House's previous inaction on the topic.

However, the administration still must take some additional steps to ensure that the pay raise is implemented in time for the first paychecks of 2023 to be sent out. First, Biden must issue an executive order finalizing his alternative pay plan before the end of this year.

Then, once that edict is issued, the Office of Personnel Management must publish new pay tables incorporating the pay raise at every level of the General Schedule and for each locality pay area and including recently finalized tweaks to existing locality pay areas, such as the addition of Carroll County, Ill., to the Davenport, Iowa, locality pay area.

Once those actions are taken, the pay raise will go into effect for the first full pay period of 2023.

<https://www.govexec.com/pay-benefits/2022/11/heres-what-still-needs-happen-feds-get-their-2023-pay-raise/380294/>