Hotel Industry Wins in 2022

The AHLA team worked tirelessly with members, policymakers, and association allies to protect and promote the hotel industry. Among the many significant achievements in 2022, here is a list of notable highlights:

AHLA’s Top Wins For You in 2022

- Continental U.S. per diem rate increased to $157; Since the pandemic, AHLA has lobbied for changes to the per diem rate which have created a nearly $1 billion positive impact for the hotel industry
- The largest expansion of H-2B visas in recent history with an additional nearly 65,000 in FY23
- Lifting the COVID-19 testing requirement for international travelers
- Launching the Workforce & Immigration Initiative to grow the labor pool through immigration & work visa reform
- Passing the “Protecting Businesses & Workers Act” in Georgia to prevent unjustified & onerous regulation of hotels. Creating the “Protecting Businesses & Workers Act,” model legislation with the American Legislative Exchange Council
- Repealing an Arizona law prohibiting local governments from regulating short-term rentals
- Los Angeles City Council’s unanimous vote against dangerous homeless housing ordinance, sending it to public referendum
- Establishing National Hotel Employee Day
- Creating AHLA Foundation’s No Room for Trafficking Survivor Fund, netting $1.5 million in donations
- Expanding AHLA’s On The Road event series to 11 locations nationwide, with record attendance
- Preventing costly changes to capital gains, estate taxes, and like-kind exchanges, which could have cost hoteliers hundreds of millions of dollars in additional taxes
- Accelerating tax deductions for energy efficient improvements on commercial buildings, helping secure electric vehicle charging station tax incentives and reducing solar technology tax liabilities
- Supporting successful litigation against click-by lawsuits in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals
- Passing the Omnibus Travel and Tourism Act, which promotes international travel to America, creates a top tourism position at the Commerce Department, and requires a strategic approach to increase travel nationwide

Your AHLA membership directly supports these crucial initiatives and much more. Questions? Email membership@ahla.com