

CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COUNCIL TO LA PORTE INDUSTRY

Annual Report on Worker Safety

In its annual report on work-related injuries and illnesses as defined by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Citizen's Advisory Council (CAC) to La Porte Industry learned that approximately 9,114 employees and contractors, working 19 million hours in 2024 in La Porte plants, had 30 injuries requiring a doctor's intervention. This gave CAC plants an overall recordable rate of 0.32. (1.00 rate represents one injury among 100 workers in a year.) Trends show clear improvement in safety performance over the years. How have things changed in 10 years? The rate in 2015 was 0.49. If that were the 2024 rate, 16 more workers would have been injured. No fatalities in CAC plants occurred in 2024. Twenty-three of the 41 CAC plants had no recordable injuries among employees and major contractors. CAC plants once again performed better than members of the American Chemistry Council and chemical manufacturing in Texas and nationwide.

During discussion, plants were encouraged to share the "one thing" that they attribute to the success of their safety program, as well as the "one thing" that their site has made a priority to improve. CAC plants are encouraged to share both safety data and such suggestions with their workers to support continuous safety improvement.

The CAC is a forum for candid and constructive dialogue between those who live or work in La Porte, Morgan's Point, and Shoreacres and the managers of 41 chemical plants in La Porte. The CAC welcomes visitors. It meets again on Tuesday, April 1 at 6:00 p.m. to hear about Channel Industries Mutual Aid & Coordination (CIMA) with Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Contact info@laportecac.org if you wish to attend. The CAC shares information about its meetings and presentations at www.laportecac.org.