

2024

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# ANNUAL REPORT



# East Tennessee

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AIA East Tennessee Executive Director

# Letter from the President

Dear AIA East Tennessee Members,

It has been my honor to lead the chapter and serve our members this year. I truly believe our chapter is something special, with talented, engaged members who selflessly contribute their time and talents to advancing our mission. Working alongside such passionate members has been the most rewarding part of this experience. I've been continually inspired by your shared commitment to our chapter, our community and advancing the built environment.

We entered this year with the strategic goals of enriching our membership, advocating for the profession, engaging with the public, and improving our organizational effectiveness. As this reports shows, we have made great strides in these areas. We delivered impactful programming through the accomplished speakers at our Design Feeds and Tech Sessions. We engaged with the public at events such as Parking Day, Art Salon, and Bricks and Blocks. We connected and networked over coffee, lunch, happy hours, bowling, golf, and volleyball. We hosted an amazing State Conference and showcased our city to Architects across the state. We celebrated the great work in our region at our Design Awards Gala and recognized the work from our first ADU competition. We came together to respond to the disaster caused by Hurricane Helene and support our affected members. We also welcomed a new Component Executive at the height of our busiest time of the year!

All of our successes this year were made possible by the hard work from our incredible staff, board, and volunteers. Thanks to your collective efforts we are entering 2025 in a great position and I am excited about the opportunities we have to build on this momentum.

Thank you all for being a part of this amazing chapter and I can wait to see what next year brings!

**Megan Chafin, AIA**

2024 AIA East Tennessee President



# Letter from the Executive Director

Members of AIA East Tennessee,

I knew from the age of five or so that I wanted to become an architect, ever since someone in my class told me I could make money doing what I did all the time anyway – drawing buildings. Fast forward to high school, when I was required to take a ‘job shadowing’ class, and was put in touch with my Mom’s friend’s husband. After a day at his firm (and deciding that architecture was my college path), I asked where he studied. ‘The University of Tennessee, on Good Ole’ Rocky Top!’ was his response. I never even applied to another school. Knoxville and East Tennessee were my destiny.

Now, over a decade after graduating, and after spending most of that decade in the nonprofit sector, I’ve learned three valuable things. The first is that it’s ok for folks with architecture degrees to take paths different than what we imagined. I decided early into my working life that I didn’t want to be an architect after all, but being in the building and construction world was still non-negotiable. It was my passion, and I am glad to see that we have space for people like me in our Chapter through things like Allied Memberships and outreach events.

Second is that it is critical to give back to our community and to build relationships with people that have similar, even if not exact, goals. Creating spaces for everyone to have a voice and to utilize their potential benefits everyone, and the nonprofit realm and professional organizations like ours are the best place for that collaboration to happen.

Last, I still believe what I did as a child: that architects and designers have some of the greatest potential to change the world. You bring visions to life. You fight poverty, and climate change, and the housing crisis, and bring culture, and safety, and health, and hope. You do this with your skill and knowledge and passion, and I am grateful for you. Let’s change the world, together.

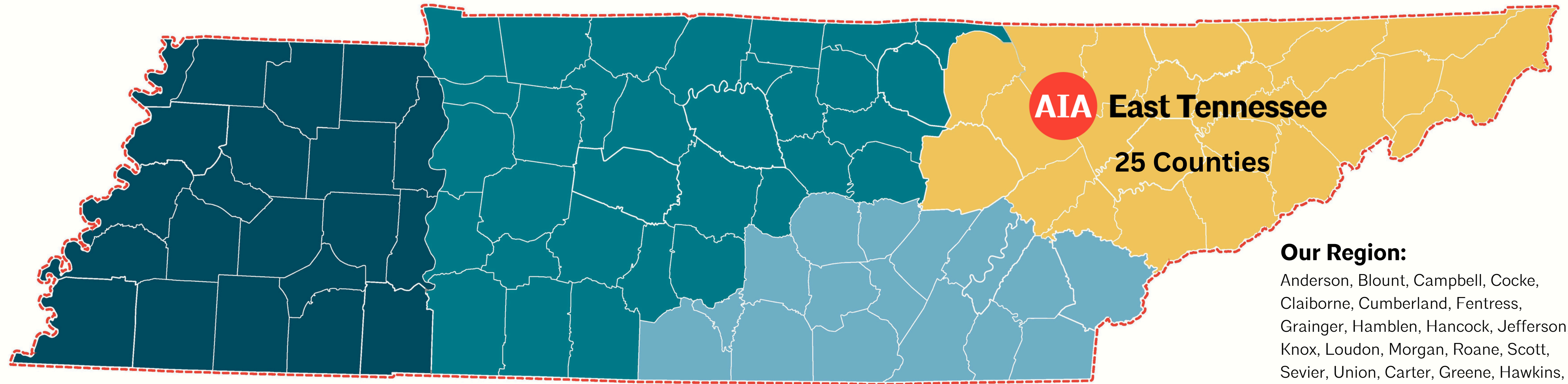
**Dustin Durham**

AIA East Tennessee  
Executive Director



**Who We Are**

# Mission, Vision, Region



**Our Region:**  
Anderson, Blount, Campbell, Cocke, Claiborne, Cumberland, Fentress, Grainger, Hamblen, Hancock, Jefferson, Knox, Loudon, Morgan, Roane, Scott, Sevier, Union, Carter, Greene, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington Counties

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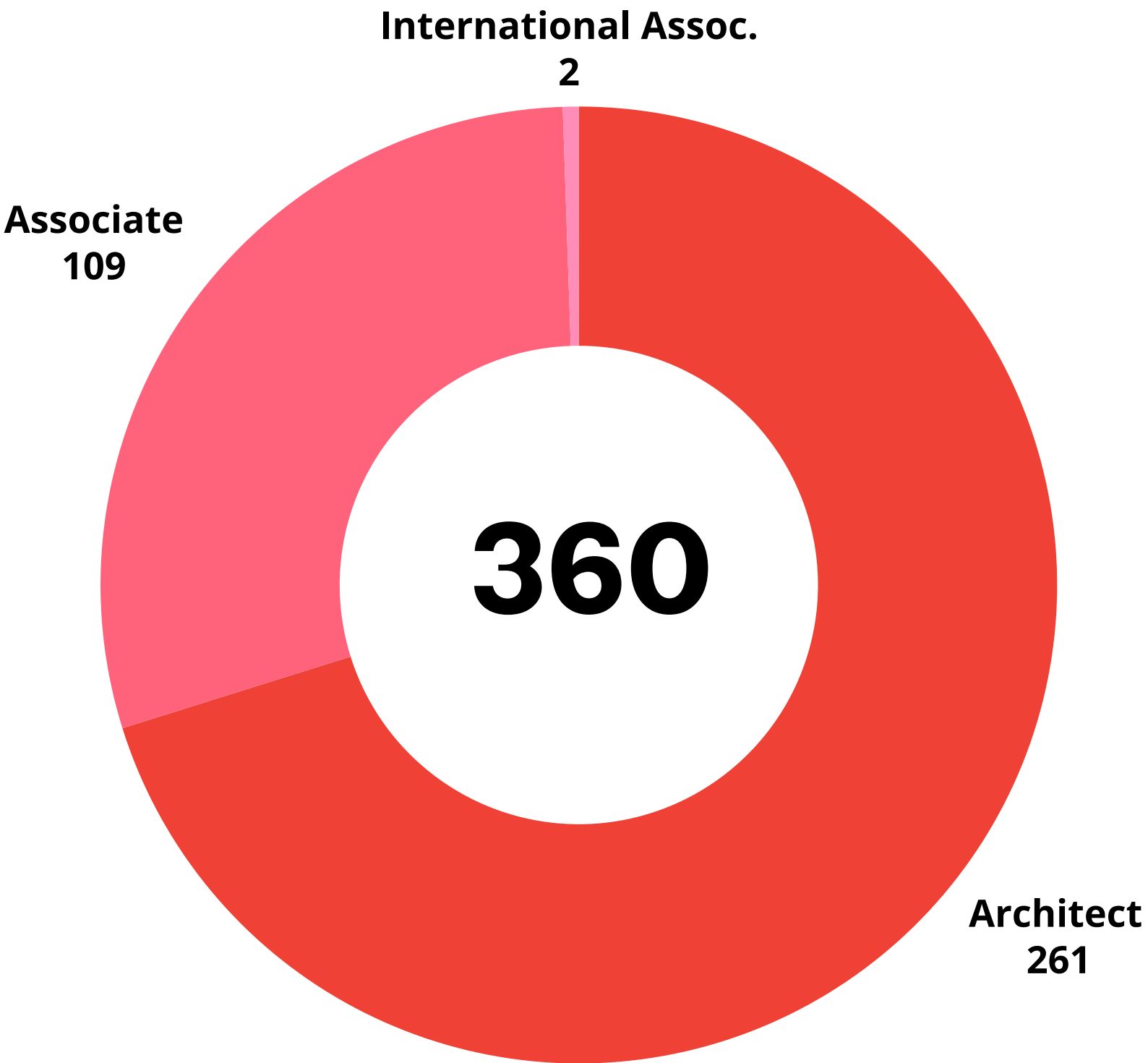
**AIA**  
EAST TENNESSEE

**Mission:** Leading East Tennessee in developing the cities, communities, and built environment of the 21st Century.

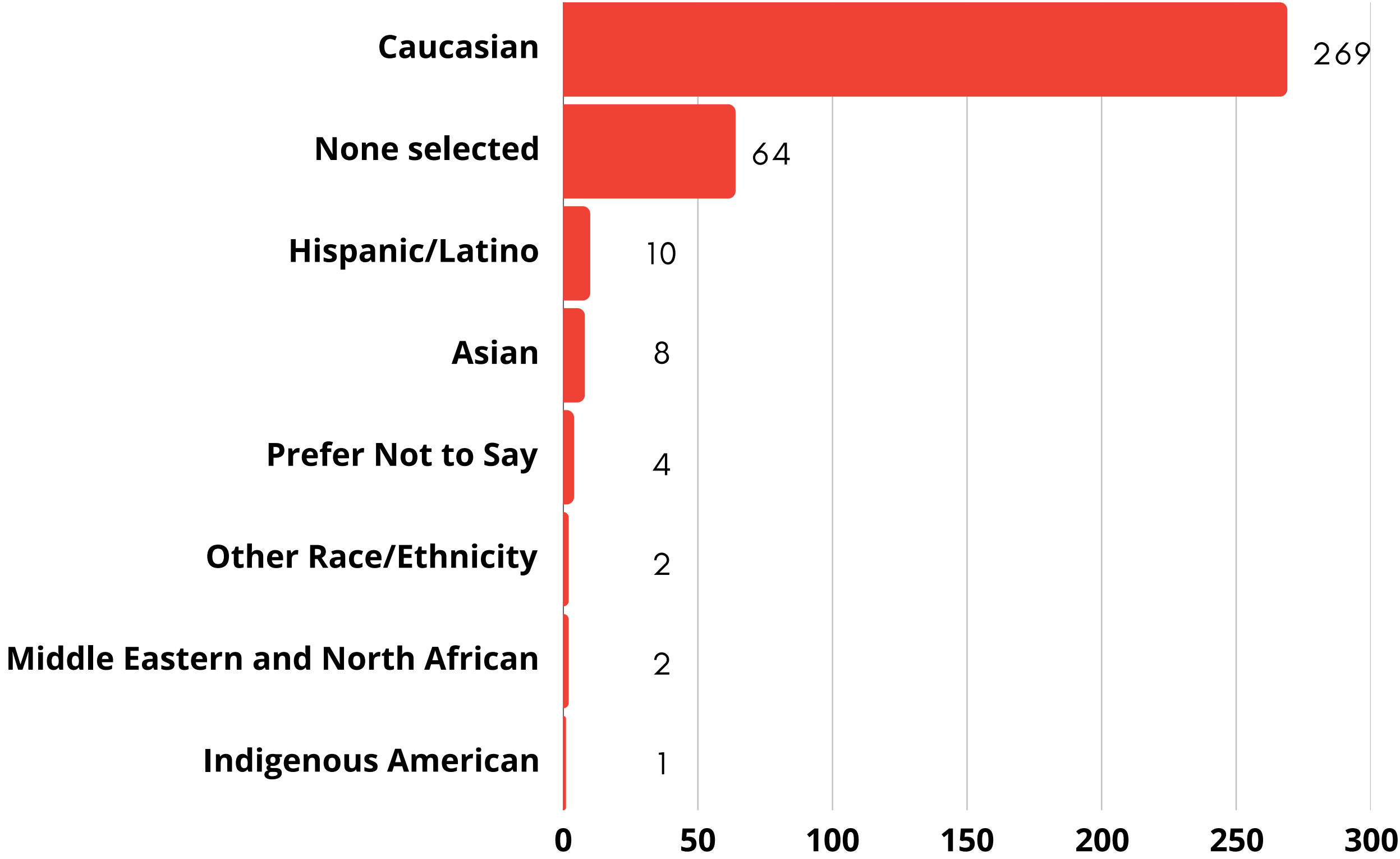
**Vision:** Drive positive change through the power of design and focused activism.

# 2024 AIA ETN Membership Statistics

## MEMBERSHIP BY TYPE



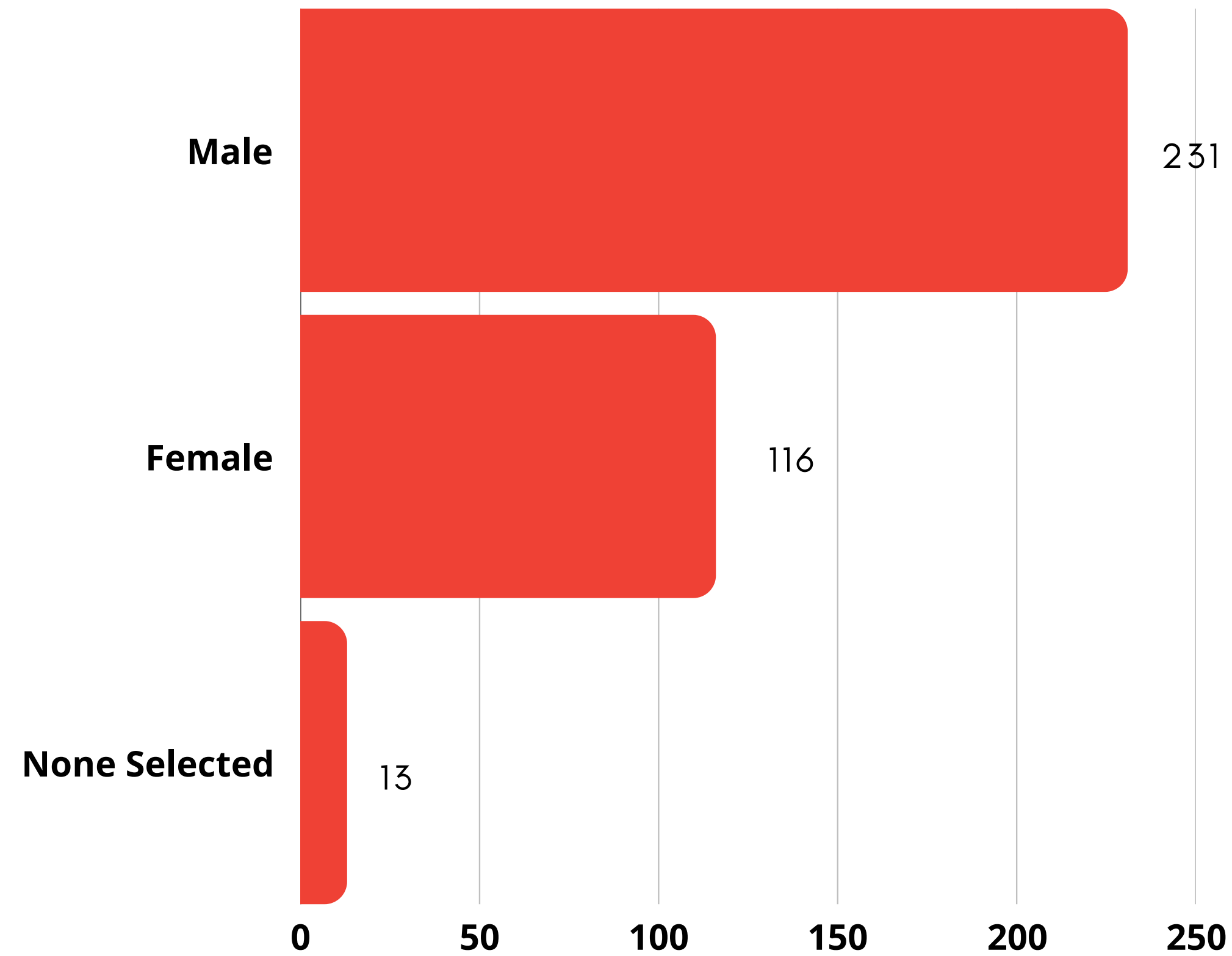
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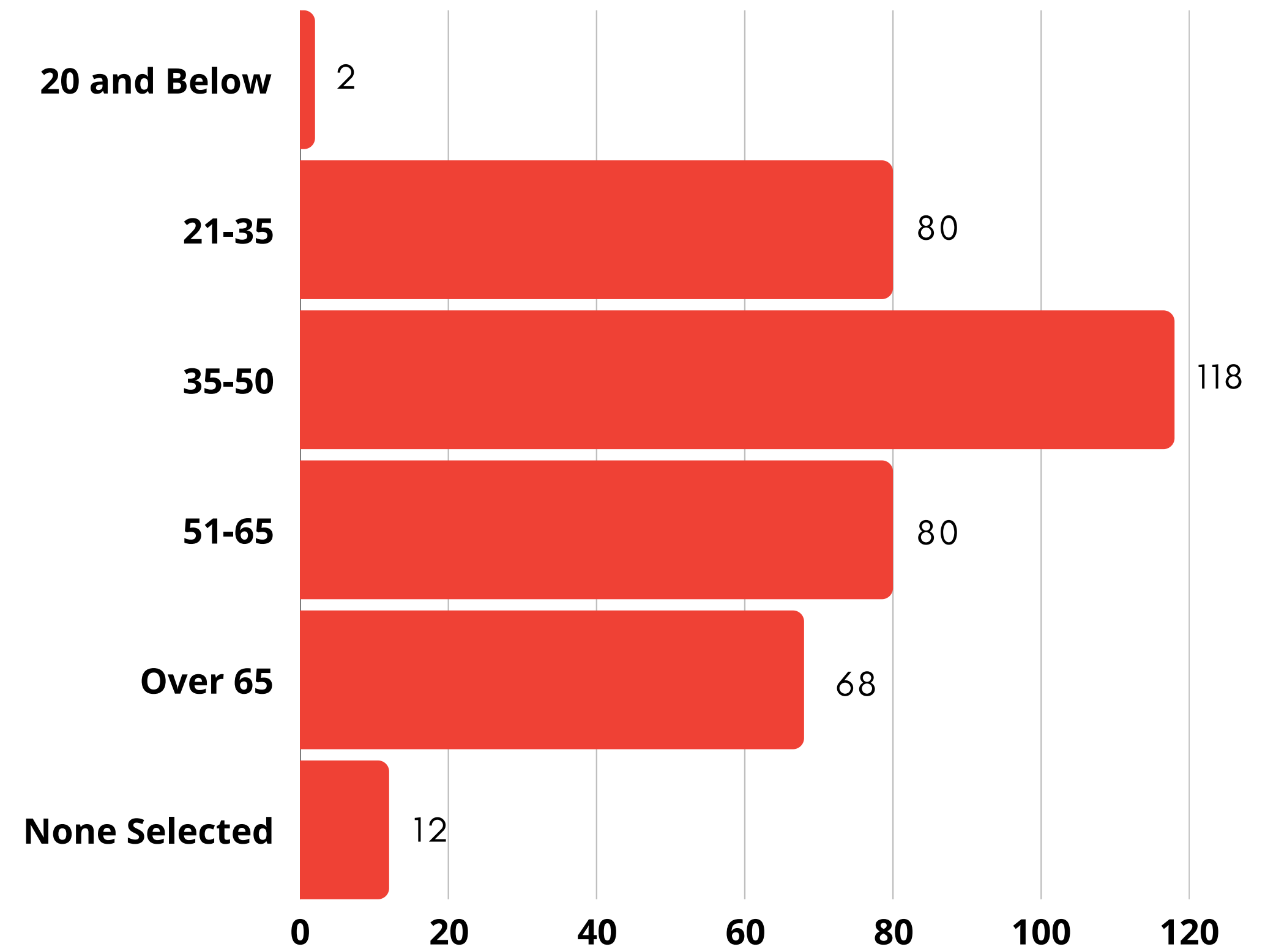
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# 2024 AIA ETN Membership Statistics

## MEMBERSHIP BY GENDER IDENTITY



## MEMBERSHIP BY AGE



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# 2024 AIA ETN Board of Directors

## Executive Committee



**Megan Chafin, AIA**  
President



**Cameron Bolin, AIA**  
President-Elect



**Jason Cole, AIA**  
Secretary



**Steven Whitmore, AIA**  
Treasurer



**Cody Rau, AIA**  
Immediate Past President



# 2024 AIA ETN Board of Directors

## Directors At Large



**Kevin Chamberlin, AIA**  
Director At Large



**Jeremiah Corbett, AIA**  
Director At Large



**Laura Johnston, AIA**  
Director At Large



**Carl Lostritto, Assoc. AIA**  
Director At Large & UTK  
Liaison



**Shelby Mitchinson, AIA**  
Director At Large



**Drew Newman, AIA**  
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**Kelley Ogilvie Hicks, AIA**  
Director At Large



**Uwe Rothe, AIA**  
Director At Large

# 2024 AIA ETN Board of Directors

## Advisory Directors



**Mark Ross, Allied Member**  
Advisory Director



**Delaney Warren, Allied Member**  
Advisory Director



**Ivanna Adames, AIAS**  
Advisory Director



**Singwei "Joey" Ling, NOMAS**  
Advisory Director



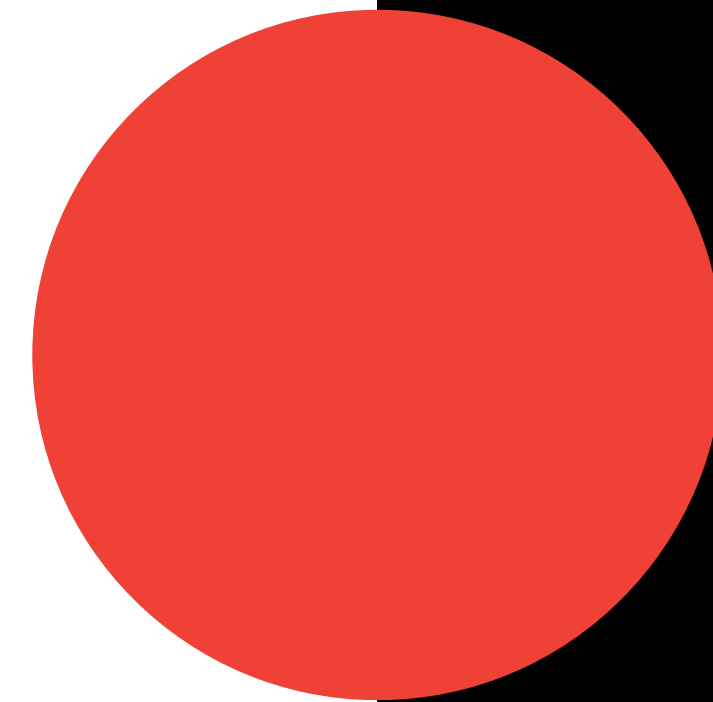
**David Draper**  
Advisory Director

# Retiring Directors

Cody Rau, AIA

Kevin Chamberlin, AIA

Uwe Roth, AIA



**THANK YOU**

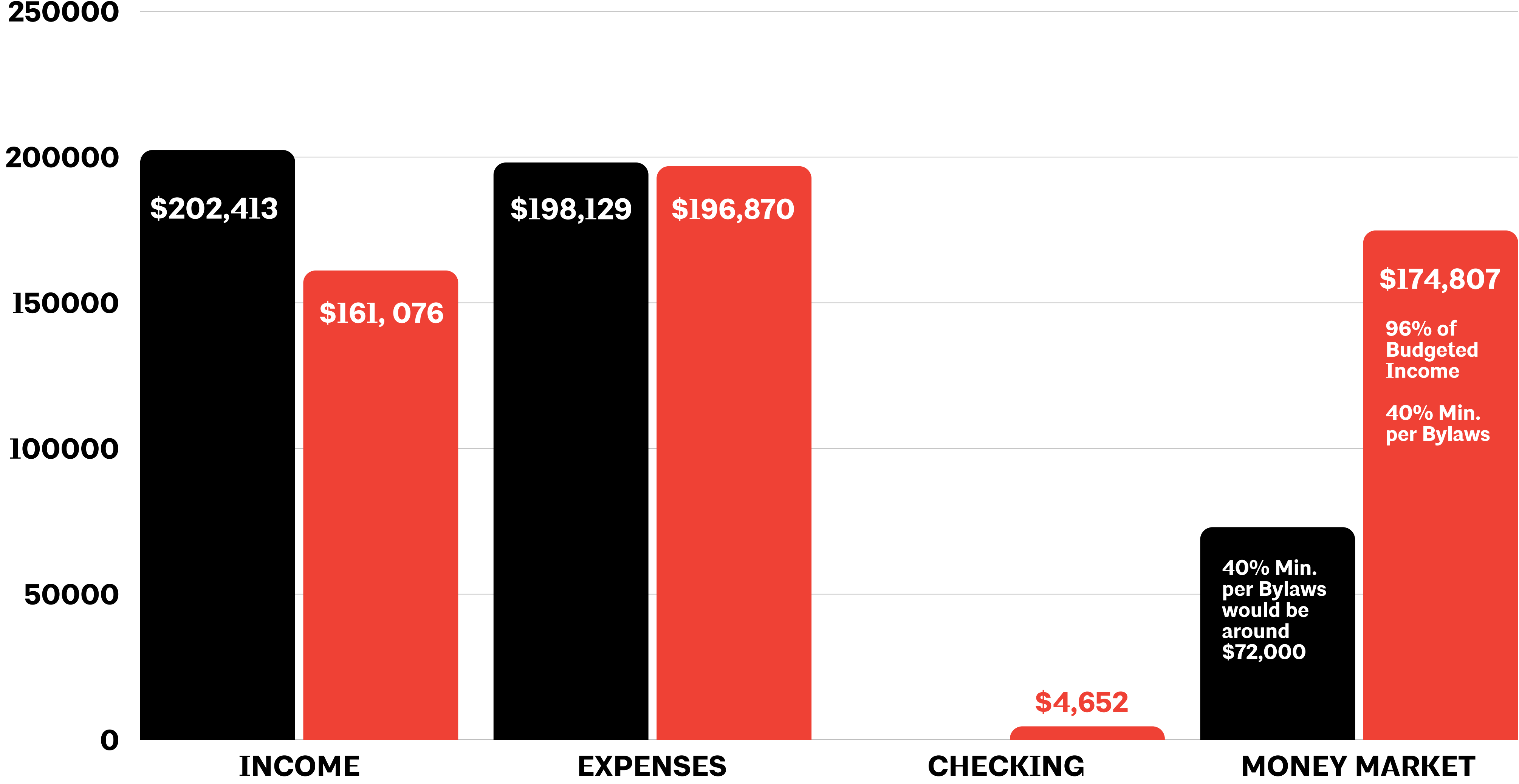
# 2024 Dues Rates

	<b>Local</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>National</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Architect</b>	<b>\$235</b>	<b>\$290</b>	<b>\$309</b>	<b>\$834</b>
<b>Associate</b>	<b>\$85</b>	<b>\$45</b>	<b>\$134</b>	<b>\$264</b>
<b>Intl. Associate</b>	<b>\$85</b>	<b>\$45</b>	<b>\$223</b>	<b>\$353</b>

\*35% of our annual revenue come from member dues.

# FY Jan 2024 - Dec 2024

■ Budget ■ Actual



**What We Do**

# 2024 Committees

AIA East Tennessee relies on the dedication of volunteers who work together through our various committees to accomplish great things within our community, and profession. With over 150 volunteers annually, our committees develop programs, activities, and events, that support our membership and drive innovation.

Committees are the backbone of our organization, and their success is driven by the passion of volunteers who come together each year to achieve remarkable results. If you're not already involved, we encourage you to consider joining one of our committees. To learn more about our committees, scan the QR Code or visit [aiaetn.org/volunteer!](http://aiaetn.org/volunteer!)

- Development Committee
- Emerging Professionals/Young Architects (EPYA)
- Committee on the Environment (COTE)
- Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusiveness (JEDI)
- Programming Committee
- K-12 Outreach Committee
- Events Committee
  - Golf Tournament
  - Thunderbowl
  - Volleyball
  - Design Awards
  - [Knoxville] By Design Events



# 2024 AIA ETN Event Stats





# 2024 Event Stats

## Emerging Professionals



**Over 7 Social Hours & events  
with over 200 Attendees**

## Golf Tournament



**33rd annual event reaching  
+90 Architects & Allied  
Professionals**

## Volleyball League



**30th annual event reaching  
+95 Architects and Allied  
Professionals**

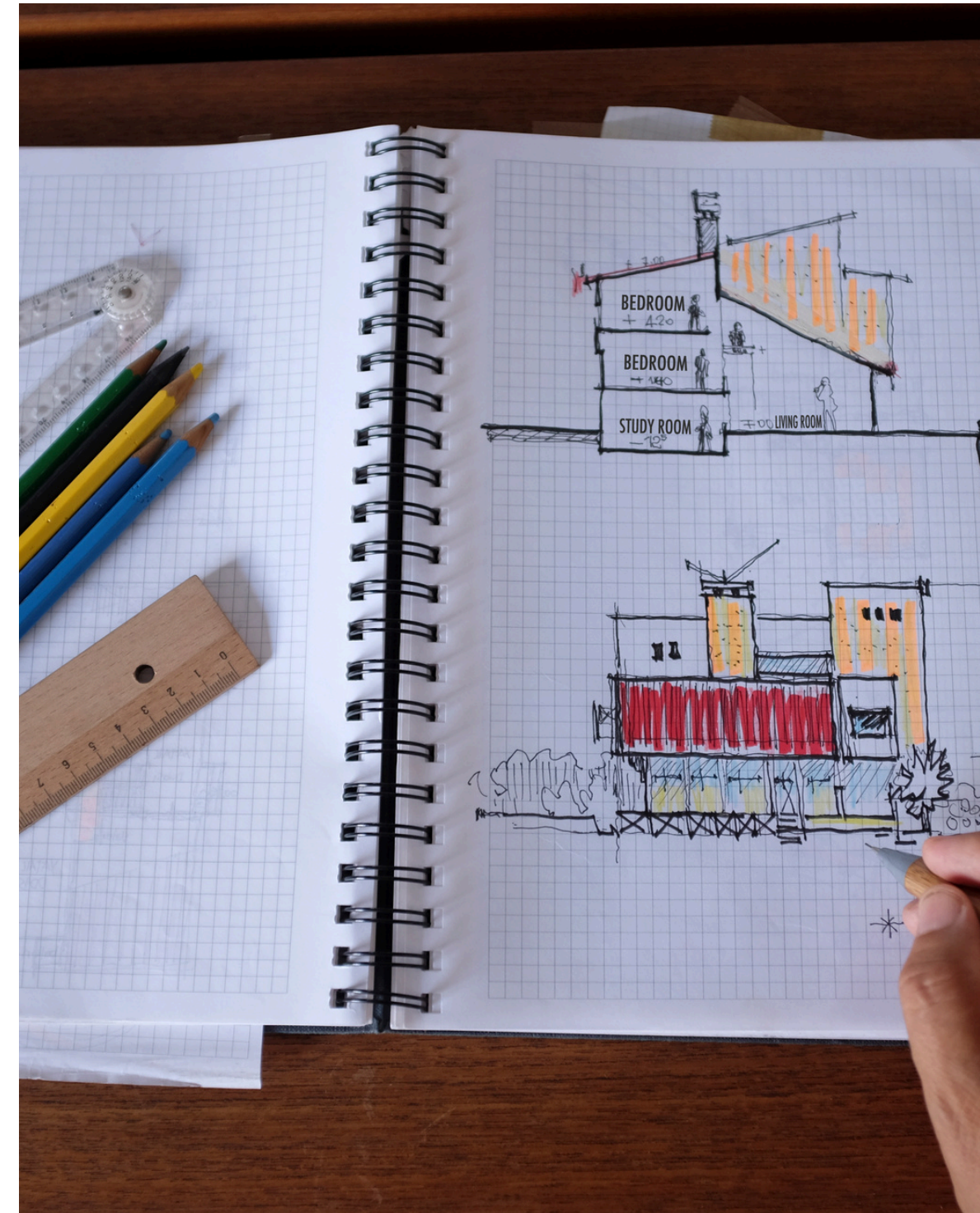
# 2024 Event Stats

## Design Awards



**We received a Proclamation from the City of Knoxville, honored Gold Medal Recipients, and had over 150 Attendees**

## [Knoxville] By Design



**Annual series of events reaching over 350 architects, allied professionals, and the public**

## K-12 Outreach



**Attended 3 Career Days, 1 Community Festival, and participated in Bricks & Blocks, impacting over 2,000 Students**

# 2024 Event Stats

## Programming



**We held over a dozen CEU-approved lunch lectures, and had over 1,000 Architects and Allied Professional attend.**

## COTE



**Committee on the Environment continued to host meetings focused on educating about the intersection of the built environment and sustainability .**

## Thunderbowl



**Thunderbowl brought over 85 Architects and Allied Professionals together for a night of bowling fun.**

# 2024 Special Project Stats

## **We donated directly to:**

ACE Mentor Program of Greater Knoxville  
East Tennessee Community Design Center  
UTK CoA+D Summer Design Camp Scholarship  
UTK AIAS Pig Roast

**\$4,000+**

# **Our 2024 Sponsors**

# 2024 ALLIED MEMBERS

**HEATHER BECK**

**JOSH BROCK**

**CHRISTINE CLONINGER**

**DUSTIN DURHAM**

**TIFFANY EIGENMANN**

**LEE FULLAM**

**WAYNE GOLDEN**

**BOBBY HAINES**

**DAVID HEADRICK**

**BUDDY HEINS**

**MICHAEL HOULE**

**RICH JONELY**

**WHITNEY KAUL**

**NADA KUCHINIC**

**KIRK ROEGELEIN**

**MARK ROSS**

**CASEY TAYLOR**

**PAMELA TREACY**

**THOMAS WASMUND**

**JOSH WILLIAMS**

# 2024 PARTNERS

BARBER MCMURRY  
ARCHITECTS

JOHNSON  
ARCHITECTURE

MID SOUTH  
PRESTRESS, LLC

BEYOND A BRICK

KONE

ROSE ENGINEERING

BLACKBURN  
DEVELOPMENT GROUP

LIGHTING TRENDS

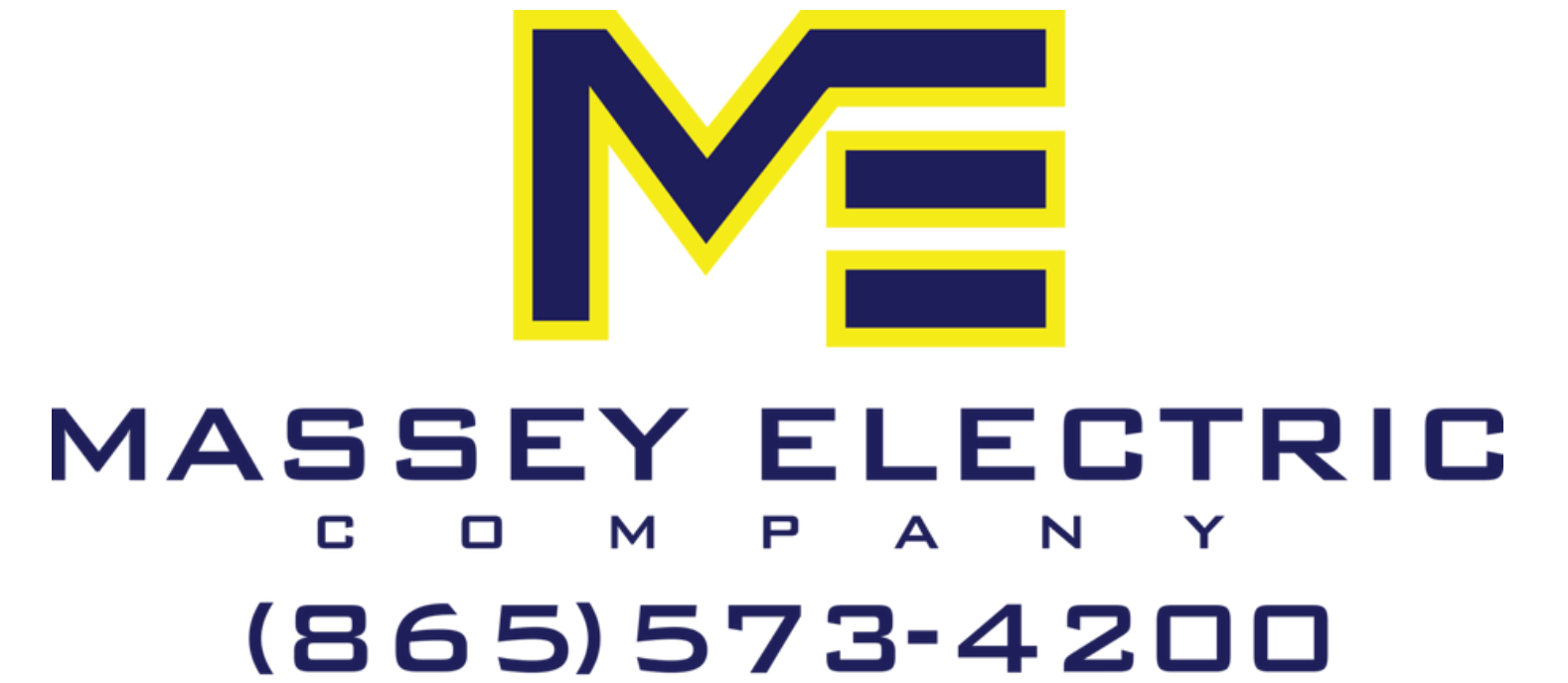
TENNESSEE LIGHTING  
SALES

DESIGN INNOVATION  
ARCHITECTS

MCCARTY HOLSAPLE  
MCCARTY ARCHITECTS

WILLIAM M. BIRD  
COMMERCIAL

# 2024 BRONZE PARTNERS



COLLEGE OF  
ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN



**HomeChoice**  
WINDOWS, DOORS & FLOORING



# 2024 SILVER PARTNERS



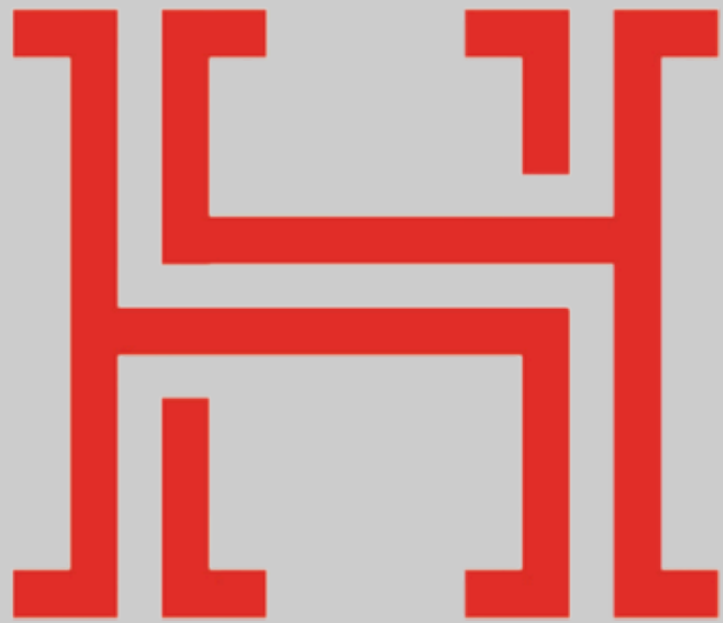
# 2024 GOLD PARTNERS



**PROFICIENT**  
ENGINEERING



# 2024 PLATINUM PARTNERS



**HAINES**  
STRUCTURAL GROUP



**SESCO**  
LIGHTING

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