

It's Here! CSI Chicago Launches New Website

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We are pleased to announce the launch of our brand new chapter website! After months of hard work and dedication, we announced the website launch on August 1, 2017. Please check out and bookmark our new site URL <http://www.csiresources.org/chicagochapter>

Our goal with this new website is to provide current and prospective members an easier way to learn about and engage with CSI Chicago. The new website is mobile friendly and gives better access to About Us, Events Information, Certification, Discussion Boards, Public Resources (i.e., Change Order Newsletter & Presentations), Member Resources (i.e. Paint Master Spec), Partners and managing your member profile. Our current and prospective members will find useful information about all of our services on the homepage of our website.

Improved Home Page

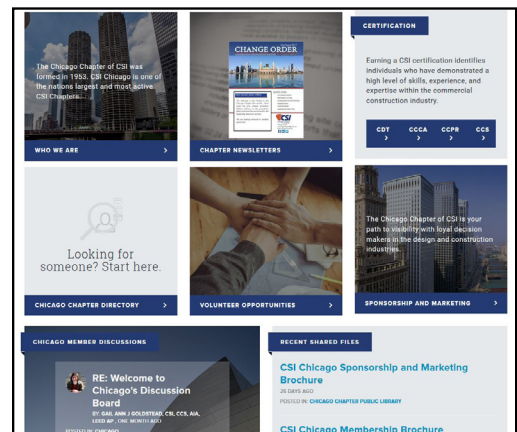
The new homepage was designed to make it easier than ever to log in and access all of the benefits and services offered with your membership. We know our members are busy so we incorporated a home page slider at the top of the page to feature our most up to date and timely events and content. Plus, we also incorporated an event call out block at the top of the home page which will always feature the next 2 upcoming events.



Home Page Blocks

Below the slider and the event call out block you will find more blocks that allow you quick access to other important programs and content members engage with most often. The featured blocks are as follows:

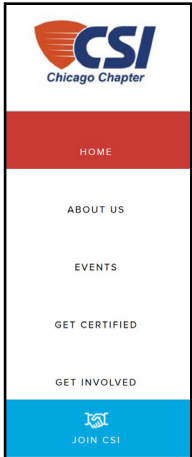
- **Who We Are** - Learn more about CSI Chicago Chapter.
- **Chapter Newsletter** – Access the *Change Order* newsletters.
- **Certification** - Learn about the varies certification exams and study resources, including the Chicago CDT Exam Study Course.
- **Chicago Chapter Directory** - Search CSI Chicago members.
- **Volunteer Opportunities** - Find out how to get involved through micro-volunteer or joining a committee.
- **Sponsorship & Marketing** - An overview of all the opportunities available throughout the year.
- **Chicago Member Discussions** - Discussion board for CSI Chicago members to connect and share information with one another.
- **Recently Shared Files** - List the most current files posted by the chapter on the public library.
- **Platinum Partner Contacts** - Rotating slide with Plaintiff Partner contact information makes it easier then ever to connect with your trusted representative.
- **News from CSI Institute** - Important updates from Institute.
- **Join CSI** - Quick link to learn more about membership and join CSI.
- **Partner Sponsor Acknowledgment** - View our partners who support our chapter throughout the year. Click the logo to go to their website or click "CONTACT OUR PARTNERS' REPRESENTATIVES" to connect with the local representative.



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Home Page Left Side Navigation

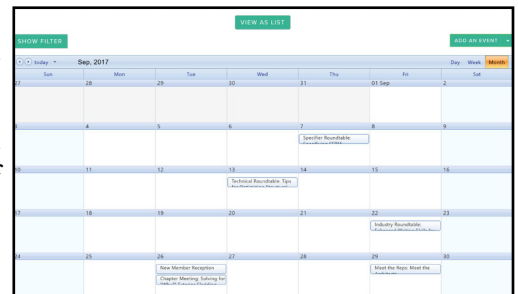
The blocks on the home page are great for accessing the most popular items on the site, but for full access to all of the site content there is a full navigation menu on the left hand side that is easy to use. The left hand navigation menu provides you access to all of the information the home page blocks do and more. Below is a list of additional content that is accessible through the left hand navigation:



- CSI Chicago President's Message
- Meet the CSI Chicago Leaders
- CSI Chicago's Honors and Awards
- Chapter Library
- Public Library
- Contact CSI Chicago
- CSI Chicago Event Calendar
- Summary of Chapter Events
- Institute Events
- CSI Certifications
- My Certifications

User Friendly Event Calendar

We know how important events are to our members so we made sure to make the event calendar user friendly. Members can view the chapter event calendar in calendar view or list view plus there is a search function that allows you to use keywords to search for events. Calendar view will help you quickly see how many events are each month and what days of the week. The list view will provide you a quick way to look all of the events in list format. If you still can't find what you are looking for you can use the search function to quickly look up events.



Easy Access to Members & Documentation

It is now simpler and easier than ever to connect and stay connected with members and CSI Chicago. The new site has a searchable member directory, a member community and libraries. Find other members quickly with the new member directory, utilize the member community to post discussion topics, and utilize our community to build your knowledge and professional networks.

Libraries

The new library functions allow members to have access to our chapter-developed master paint specification, presentations, and more. You will notice several libraries in the website, each provides a purpose of sharing information with the user. The three libraries and their purpose are as follows:

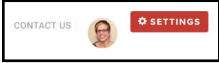
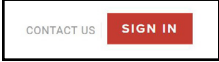
- **Chapter Library** (access under "About Us" tab): This library is only accessible to CSI Chicago members and provides access to files such as master specifications and chapter operations documents.
- **Public Library** (access under "About Us" tab or homepage block): This library is accessible to anyone and provides access to files such as newsletters, presentations slides, sponsorship and marketing information, and membership brochures.
- **Chicago Community Library or Member to Member (M2M) Library** (Access under "Get Involved" tab): This library is a place for CSI Chicago members to post documents they wish to share with other chapter members. These documents can also be tied to a discussion post.

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As you access these libraries you can toggle between viewing the documents posted in list with most current on top or by folder where the documents are organized into types of documents.

Member Log in and Profile Access



At the top right corner of any webpage, you can always click to log in and update your profile or settings. This information is linked directly to Institute's database so when you update it in one place it will save across all CSI linked sites. You will notice when you log in from the Chicago site you will be momentarily redirected to the Institute site until you are fully logged in. When you log out, you will land on Institute's site. Remember to bookmark CSI Chicago so you can easily find your way back to us!

Mobile Friendly

One of the best parts of the new site is all of the great new benefits mentioned above can all be accessed easily from you mobile phone!

Please take time to explore. Should you have any questions on where to locate any information, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at csichicagochapter@gmail.com. Hope to see you on the discussion boards soon!