WHO DELIVERS THE PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES?
When it comes to public works, one size definitely does not fit all, so defining the term becomes problematic. Because of the multi-faceted, ever-evolving nature of public works, we may never arrive at a final definition but, for now, the following definition seems appropriate:

Public works is the combination of physical assets, management practices, policies, and personnel necessary for government to provide and sustain structures and services essential to the welfare and quality of life for its citizens.

ABOUT APWA
The American Public Works Association (APWA) serves professionals in all aspects of public works—a fact that sets it apart from other organizations and makes it an effective voice of public works throughout North America. With a membership of more than 30,000 strong, APWA includes not only personnel from local, county, state and federal agencies, but also private sector personnel who supply products and services to those professionals.

Membership in APWA is open to any individual, agency, or corporation with an interest in public works and infrastructure issues. Titles common to the membership include public works directors; city engineers; city managers; fleet managers; property and equipment superintendents; utilities managers; community development directors; transportation managers; park directors; county officials; and representatives from engineering and other consulting firms, manufacturers, construction companies, and a multitude of other service providers.

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The United States has approximately 19,400 municipalities of varying sizes. In each community, whatever its size, there are needs common to all human beings that must be met through the provision of public works services. These needs are met on a daily basis by visionary, values-driven, and hardworking men and women who provide and sustain public works services in the best interests of their communities.

The United States needs $4.59 trillion by 2025 to maintain infrastructure.