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AFCEA International
WEST 2026 – AFCEA & USNI
Tuesday, February 10th – Thursday, February 12th, 2026
Anticipated Attendance: 9,000

Group Description

WEST (West Coast Sea Services) is a major naval conference and exhibition that is co-sponsored by AFCEA International (Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association) and the U.S. Naval Institute, The Premier Naval Conference and Exposition on the West Coast. The goal is to explore and develop technology solutions that support maritime operations, both now and in the future. Attendees engage in discussions on evolving threats, warfighting readiness, and how to maintain competitive advantages in sea service operations.

Attendee Profile

WEST connects the industry professionals who design and build the platforms, equipment and weapons with the designers of communications and technical systems. To complete their missions successfully, more than 150,000 professionals in the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard who live in the San Diego area depend on the open discussions and valuable networking WEST provides. Senior military and government officials talk directly to the operators to gain valuable feedback directly from them. Industry leaders attend because they can connect with decision makers and operators over the three-day event.

Off-Site Scheduled Events

No offsite events scheduled.

Shuttle Information

No shuttle provided.

Contact Information

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Guest Room Block

Participating Hotels	Peak Room Night
Total Peak Nights = 1,921	
Alma San Diego Downtown, a Tribute Portfolio Hotel	59
Courtyard San Diego Gaslamp/Convention Center	48
Embassy Suites Hotel San Diego Bay – Downtown	85
Hampton Inn by Hilton San Diego Downtown	100
Hard Rock Hotel San Diego	150
Hilton San Diego Bayfront Hotel	250
Hilton San Diego Gaslamp Quarter	100
Hotel Indigo – San Diego Gaslamp Quarter	75
Hotel Republic San Diego	25
Hotel Z	45
InterContinental San Diego	90
Margaritaville Hotel San Diego Gaslamp Quarter	50
Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina	400
Moxy San Diego Downtown Gaslamp Quarter	40
Omni San Diego Hotel at the Ballpark	80
Residence Inn San Diego Downtown	50
Residence Inn San Diego Downtown/Gaslamp Quarter	50
San Diego Marriott Gaslamp Quarter	100
The Westin San Diego Gaslamp Quarter	55
Wyndham San Diego Bayside	75

Schedule of Events

Date	Tue Feb 10	Wed Feb 11	Thu Feb 12
Attendee Open Meals	Breakfast, Dinner	Breakfast, Dinner	Lunch, Dinner
Convention Center Agenda	7:00AM-5:00PM Registration Open	7:00AM-5:00PM Registration Open	
	8:30AM-4:00PM Presentations, Lectures and Panels	8:30AM-4:50PM Presentations, Lectures and Panels	6:30AM-12:30PM Registration Open
	11:30AM-1:00PM Fueling the Fleet All Attendee Lunch	11:30AM-1:00PM Anchor and Engage Networking Lunch	7:00AM-8:30AM San Diego Military Advisory Council Breakfast
	3:45PM-5:00PM Charting Connections Networking Reception	3:45PM-5:00PM Happy Hour on the Horizon Reception	8:30AM-11:30AM Presentations

**Schedule is subject to change*