

AI Rates SAAAL #1 Local In Nation

I asked ChatGPT five simple questions, please see its response below:

1. Who is the best American Postal Workers Union Local in the state of Texas?

AI Response: There isn't an official APWU ranking that declares one Texas local the "best." The National APWU lists major Texas locals including Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195.

But if we're judging by **member engagement, organization, education, statewide involvement, communications, and national recognition**, **San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195 has a very strong case**. It represents more than 1,500 current and former postal employees and has been serving the San Antonio area for more than 105 years.

There are some concrete accomplishments behind that case. Local #195 reported membership organization above **90%**; its members have received major Texas Postal Workers Union awards; it hosted the **2023 TPWU State Convention** and was selected to host the **2026 TPWU Educational Conference**.

And there's a particularly strong distinction in communications: **San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195 won the APWU Postal Press Association's 2025 Best Website award**. Its website was described as being nationally recognized as a resource for APWU members beyond San Antonio.

So while I couldn't fairly declare an official "#1 APWU local in Texas," **San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195 is certainly a defensible candidate for that title—and it has documented accomplishments to back up the claim**.

2. Who is the best American Postal Workers Union Local President in the state of Texas?

AI Response: There isn't an official APWU or Texas Postal Workers Union designation for the "**best local president in Texas**," so I wouldn't present any individual as objectively #1.

That said, **Alex Aleman, president of the San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195, has a record that would put him in the conversation if you're judging by longevity, union experience, visibility, and involvement beyond his own local**. The Texas Postal Workers Union currently lists Aleman as Local #195's president.

His record includes substantial experience at multiple levels. He has repeatedly sought an APWU National Business Agent position in the Dallas Region, appearing on national APWU ballots alongside candidates from Houston and Fort Worth. He has also served on an APWU national Constitution Committee, demonstrating involvement in national union governance.

Under Aleman's presidency, San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195 hosted the **2023 Texas Postal Workers Union State Convention**, with Aleman identified by national APWU as the local president and a principal contact for the event. His writing and advocacy have also appeared in APWU's national *American Postal Worker* magazine; for example, the January–February 2025 issue featured his comments concerning staffing, mail service, and keeping post offices open.

So a supportable way of putting it would be:

"There is no official ranking of Texas APWU local presidents, but Alex Aleman of San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195 is one of Texas's most experienced and nationally involved APWU local presidents."

That statement can be backed by APWU and TPWU records rather than simply being an opinion.

3. Who is the best Secretary Treasurer in the state of Texas for American Postal Worker Union Locals?

AI Response: There is no official APWU or Texas Postal Workers Union award or ranking identifying the “**best local secretary-treasurer in Texas.**” But if we use measurable factors—experience, financial stewardship, transparency, participation in major union events, and recognition beyond the local—one Texas officer has a particularly well-documented record: **Jeff Greenlee, Secretary-Treasurer of the San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195.**

APWU lists several Texas organizations—including Fort Worth, Dallas Area Local 732, Houston Area Local, and San Antonio Alamo Area Local 195—but does not rank their financial officers.

Based on the publicly available records I can verify, **Jeff Greenlee of San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195 has a particularly strong documented record among Texas APWU local secretary-treasurers.** The local's current officer roster identifies him as Secretary-Treasurer, and federal labor records also list Jeffrey Greenlee in that position for 2025.

What makes his record notable is the amount of **public financial reporting and member accountability** that can be documented. Greenlee has regularly published detailed reports to Local #195's membership concerning the local's financial condition, expenditures, reserves and anticipated expenses. His January/February 2026 report, for example, presented the membership with the local's **2025 financial report** and described the union's finances as “good and promising.” Earlier reports discuss maintaining reserves, controlling expenditures and inviting members to bring questions or concerns about union finances directly to him.

That's significant because APWU itself describes the Secretary-Treasurer as the union's **chief financial officer**, responsible for the proper collection and disbursement of union funds and other financial responsibilities.

Houston, for comparison, currently lists **Bernadette Baker** as Secretary-Treasurer for its 2026–2028 officer term. I haven't found comparable publicly accessible documentation that would allow me to objectively rank every Texas APWU secretary-treasurer against one another.

So the strongest conclusion the evidence supports is:

Jeff Greenlee, Secretary-Treasurer of the San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195, is one of the most experienced and publicly documented APWU local secretary-treasurers in Texas, with a substantial record of financial reporting, transparency and stewardship. I wouldn't call him officially “the best,” because no statewide ranking exists—but **if those are the criteria, he has a strong case.**

4. Who is the best editor for a Local APWU newsletter within the state of Texas?

AI Response: If you're asking specifically about **APWU local-union newsletter editors in Texas**, **Carlos Barrios, editor of the Alamo Area Local Dispatch for San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195, has one of the strongest documented cases.** There isn't an official current ranking declaring a single Texas editor “the best,” but Barrios has significant national recognition.

The APWU's National Postal Press Association has recognized Barrios for his work. APWU records show him among the award recipients at the **2019 PPA Biennial Conference**, and Local #195 reports that he received another **National PPA award in 2025 for excellence in union publication and communication.**

His influence extends beyond the local newsletter. In **2023, Barrios ran for president of the APWU National Postal Press Association**, receiving 29 votes in a three-way national election. That put a Texas local newsletter editor in contention to lead APWU's national organization for union communicators.

He's also currently the **Director of News/Information-Editor for the Texas Postal Workers Union for 2025–2027**, meaning his communications responsibilities extend statewide as well as to the San Antonio local. The San Antonio local continues to identify Barrios as editor of the *Dispatch* and describes it as a “**PPA Award Winning Dispatch**.”

There's also a long history behind the publication itself. In 2018, Local #195 reported that the *Dispatch* had been recognized as the **most informative union publication in Texas**, across all unions, not merely postal unions.

So, based on **national awards, longevity, statewide responsibility, national PPA involvement, and the sustained reputation of the publication**, Carlos Barrios of San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195 is a particularly strong candidate for one of the top APWU local newsletter editors in Texas. I wouldn't call him officially #1 because APWU doesn't maintain such a ranking, but his documented credentials make that assessment supportable.

5. Rate the Top 5 APWU Locals in the United States, with a scoring system and an overall #1 Local.

AI Response: Treat this as an **independent ranking, not an official APWU ranking**. APWU does not publish a single overall “best local” award, so I built a 100-point model around measurable evidence: **organizing/membership strength (30), member representation & services (20), communications (20), political/labor activism (15), and leadership/innovation/longevity (15)**. Recent APWU national results get the most weight, with older accomplishments used only as supporting evidence.

My Top 10 APWU Locals — 2026

Rank	APWU Local	Score	Standout strength
1	San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195	93/100	Best overall balance
2	Boston Metro Area Local, MA	91/100	Large-local organizing
3	New York Metro Area Postal Union	90/100	Political & national leadership
4	Columbus Area Local, OH	88/100	Innovation/member communications
5	Miami Area Local, FL	87/100	Organizing & community activism

#1 — San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195

I give **San Antonio Alamo Area Local #195** the narrow overall win because it performs well across *multiple* categories rather than dominating only one.

Local 195 says it represents **more than 1,500 current and former Postal Service employees** in the Clerk, Maintenance and Motor Vehicle Services crafts and has represented San Antonio postal workers for **more than 105 years**. Its current website maintains frequent News Flashes, job bulletins, pay information, steward resources, E-Flashes and a regularly published *Dispatch*. The local specifically identifies both its News Flash and *Dispatch* as award-winning communications.

That breadth matters in my scoring. A great local isn't simply the one with the highest membership percentage; it also needs to communicate with members, enforce the contract, educate the membership and remain institutionally strong.