

Construction Trade & Professional Organizations

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P=Professional Associations: Primarily based on individual

memberships and usually involving successful completion of a competency exam or professional interview.

T=Trade Associations: Primarily based on corporate or institutional memberships.

P American Concrete Institute (ACI)

www.concrete.org

The ACE has 98 chapters and 20,000 members spanning 108 countries advancing concrete knowledge by conducting seminars, managing certification programs, and publishing technical documents.

P American Institute of Architects (AIA)

www.aia.org

Based in Washington, D.C., the AIA has been the leading professional membership association for licensed architects, emerging professionals, and allied partners since 1857.

P American Institute of Constructors (AIC)

<http://www.professionalconstructor.org/>

For almost 40 years AIC has worked diligently to "build" the individual professional constructor through training, certification, ethics, individual professionalism, and networking.

T American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI)

www.steel.org

AISI serves as the voice of the North American steel industry in the public policy arena and advances the case for steel in the marketplace as the preferred material of choice.

T American Road and Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA)

www.artba.org

Established in 1902, ARTBA is the oldest and most respected national transportation construction related association. ARTBA members designed, built, and continue to maintain the Interstate system along with the rest of the nation's transportation network.

P American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

www.asce.org

Founded in 1852, the ASCE represents more than 140,000 members of the civil engineering profession worldwide and is America's oldest national engineering society. ASCE provides essential value to our members and partners, advances civil engineering, and serves the public good.

- P **American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE)**
www.ashe.org
As a personal membership organization of the American Hospital Association (AHA), the American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE) provides health care facility management and design professionals with the resources they need to optimize the health care physical environment. Certified Healthcare Constructor (CHC) status provides distinction in an increasingly competitive marketplace.
- P **American Society of Professional Estimators (ASPE)**
www.aspenational.org
The ASPE serves construction estimators by providing education, fellowship, certification, training, and opportunity for professional development.
- T **American Subcontractors Association (ASA)**
www.asaonline.com
The American Subcontractors Association amplifies the voice of and leads trade contractors to improve the business environment for the construction industry and to serve as a steward for the community.
- T **Architects Constructors and Engineers Mentor Program (ACE)**
www.acementor.org
The program's mission is to engage, excite, and enlighten high school students to pursue careers in the integrated construction industry through mentoring; and to support their continued advancement in the industry through scholarships and grants.
- T **Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)**
www.abc.org
ABC is a national association with 77 chapters representing 25,000 merit shop construction and construction-related firms with two million employees. ABC's activities include government representation, legal advocacy, education, workforce development, information on best practices, and business development.
- T **Associated General Contractors of American (AGC)**
www.agc.org

AGC is the leading association for the construction industry. AGC represents more than 33,000 leading firms in the industry - including general contractors, specialty contractors, and service providers and suppliers.
*** also offers scholarships**
- T **Associated Schools of Construction (ASC)**
www.ascweb.org
The Associated Schools of Construction is the professional association for the development and advancement of construction education, where the sharing of ideas and knowledge inspires, guides and promotes excellence in curricula, teaching, research and service.

- T **Associated Specialty Contractors (ASC)**
www.assoc-spec-con.org
Associated Specialty Contractors is an umbrella organization of nine national associations of construction specialty contractors whose combined membership totals more than 25,000 firms.
- P **Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering (AACE)**
<http://www.aacei.org/>
AACE International is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit professional educational association founded in 1956. They are the largest organization globally serving the entire spectrum of the cost and management profession.
- P **Association for Facilities Engineering (AFE)**
www.afe.org
AFE's mission is to provide education, certification, technical information and other relevant resources to plant and facility engineering, operations and maintenance professionals worldwide.
- T **The Association of Union Constructors (TAUC)**
www.nea-online.org

The Association of Union Constructors is the premier national trade association representing the 21st Century union construction industry. TAUC consists of more than 2,500 union contractors, local union contractor associations and vendors in the industrial maintenance and construction field.
- T **Builders Exchange - SLO County**
www.slocbe.com
With over 700 contractors, subcontractors and supplier members - and more added each day - the San Luis Obispo County Builders Exchange is the voice of the construction industry in San Luis Obispo.
- P **Construction Financial Management Association (CFMA)**
www.cfma.org

The Construction Financial Management Association is "The Source & Resource for Construction Financial Professionals" and the only nonprofit organization dedicated to serving the construction financial professional.
*** also offers scholarships**
- T **Construction Industry Institute (CII)**
www.construction-institute.org
CII is a consortium of leading owners, engineering and construction contractors, and suppliers who have a singular mission: to improve the cost effectiveness of the capital facility project life cycle, from pre-project planning through completion and commissioning.

- P **Construction Management Association of America (CMAA)**
www.cmaanet.org
The Construction Management Association of America is North America's only organization dedicated exclusively to the interests of professional Construction and Program Management. Founded in 1982, CMAA has a current membership of more than 6,200.
*** also offers scholarships**
- P **Construction Specification Institute (CSI)**
www.csinet.org
CSI is a national association of more than 13,000 volunteers, including specifiers, architects, engineers, contractors, facility managers, product representatives, manufacturers, owners and others who are experts in building construction and the materials used therein.
- T **Construction Users Roundtable (CURT)**
www.curt.org
The Construction Users Roundtable was founded by - and is driven by - many of the largest and most successful construction owners in the United States to provide the industry a strong, singular voice to help owners effect positive, meaningful change and improvements.
- P **Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA)**
www.dbia.org
The DBIA is an association of leaders in the design and construction industry utilizing design-build and integrated project delivery methods to achieve high performance projects.
- P **International Facility Management Association (IFMA)**
www.ifma.org
IFMA is the world's largest and most widely recognized international association for professional facility managers, supporting more than 19,000 members in 78 countries.
- P **Lean Construction Institute (LCI)**
www.leanconstruction.org
The Lean Construction Institute (LCI) was founded in August 1997 and is now a non-profit corporation. We do research to develop knowledge regarding project based production management in the design, engineering, and construction of capital facilities.
- T **Mechanical Contractors Association of America (MCAA)**
www.mcaa.org
The MCAA is a vibrant, growing association of approximately 2,300 mechanical, plumbing, and service contractors.

- T National Association of Home Builders (NAHB)**
www.nahb.com
NAHB is a trade association that helps promote the policies that make housing a national priority. Since 1942, NAHB has been serving its members, the housing industry, and the public at large.
- T National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies (NASCLA)**
www.nascla.org
The NASCLA was formed in Utah in 1962 as a nonprofit corporation to the mutual assistance of its members in striving for the better regulation of the construction industry in order to protect health, welfare and safety of the general public.
- P National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)**
www.nawic.org
For more than 50 years, NAWIC has helped women take advantage of the opportunities in construction. Whether you want to embark on a new career, establish a networking base, be a mentor/mentee, make a difference in your community, continue your education, or invest in great friendships, NAWIC offers a variety of opportunities.
***student club "WIC" offers scholarships**
- T National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER)**
www.nccer.org
The NCCER is a not-for-profit education foundation created to develop industry-driven standardized craft training programs with portable credentials and help address the critical workforce shortage facing the construction industry.
- T National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA)**
www.necanet.org
NECA has provided over a century of service to the \$130 billion electrical construction industry that brings power, light, and communication technology to buildings and communities across the United States. NECA's national and 119 local chapters advance the industry through advocacy, education, research, and standards development.
- T National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE)**
www.nspe.org
In 1934, a group of professional engineers met in New York City to establish an organization dedicated to the non-technical concerns of licensed professional engineers. The NSPE stands today as the only national organization committed to addressing the professional concerns of licensed PEs across all disciplines.
- P Professional Construction Estimators Association of America (PCEA)**
www.pcea.org
The purpose and objective of the organization is to further the recognition of construction estimating as a professional field within the construction industry. Established in 1956, PECA now has over 1000 members.

P **Professional Women in Construction (PWC)**

www.pwcusa.org

PWC is a nonprofit organization committed to advancing professional entrepreneurial and managerial opportunities for women and other "non-traditional" populations in construction and related industries.

P **Project Management Institute (PMI)**

www.pmi.org

PMI is the world's leading not-for-profit membership association for the project management profession, with more than half a million members and credential holders in 185 countries.

T **Retail Contractors Association (RCA)**

www.retailcontractors.org

The RCA is a national organization of high caliber retail contractors united to provide a solid foundation of ethics, quality and professionalism within the retail construction industry.

*** also offers scholarships**

P **U. S. Green Building Council (USGBC)**

www.usgbc.org

The Washington, D.C.-based USGBC is a 501 c3 nonprofit organization committed to a prosperous and sustainable future for our nation through cost-efficient and energy-saving green buildings.