

BC CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZED FOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WITH NATIONAL AWARD

VICTORIA, B.C. (June 16, 2020) - The BC Construction Association (BCCA) is proud to be the first recipient of the Canadian Construction Association's (CCA) Workforce Excellence Award.

The award recognizes BCCA as a champion of diversity and inclusion in the construction industry and the demonstrated results delivered by its workforce development programs. BCCA initiatives such as the Skilled Trades Employment Program (STEP), Integrating Newcomers, and the Builders Code have connected thousands of British Columbians to careers in the skilled construction trades, and are helping to drive a long-overdue culture change across industry.

<u>View the video</u> of the official announcement from Jim Wrobel, Chair, CCA.

"It's good to be acknowledged for our dedication to workforce development, which has been a focus of BCCA for many years" acknowledged Chris Atchison, BCCA President. "There are thousands of people who wouldn't be working successfully in our industry today without the support of BCCA programs and services. We share this achievement with the provincial and federal funders and all the collaborators who are helping us build a productive and resilient industry."

"We appreciate that the CCA has created this important award category," says Atchison. "There has never been a more important time for our industry to demonstrate its dedication to supporting diversity in the workforce, and BCCA is proud to be leading the charge."

ABOUT BRITISH COLUMBIA CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION

The British Columbia Construction Association (BCCA) works with four Regional Construction Associations (NRCA, SICA, VICA and VRCA) to serve more than 10,000 employers in the provinces industrial, commercial, institutional (ICI) construction industry. BCCA's programs and services include employee benefits (BCCA Employee Benefits), technology tools for bid and project management (BidCentral), and employment programs (Builders Code, Skilled Trades Employment Program (STEP), Integrating Newcomers, LNG Canada Trades Training Fund, LNG Canada Connect). BCCA advocates on behalf of all employers to ensure British Columbia's construction sector remains productive and resilient.

To learn more about the work of the BCCA and the many opportunities it provides for employers and job seekers, visit <u>https://www.bccassn.com/</u>

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