

# YEAR IN REVIEW 2018





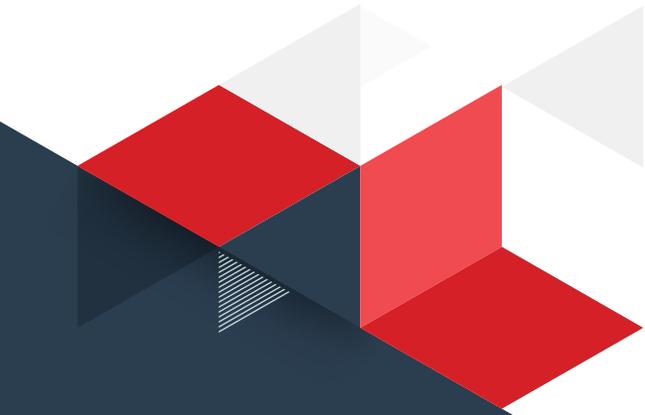
2018-2023

## STRATEGIC GOALS

Based on the merit shop philosophy, ABC helps members develop people, win work and deliver that work safely, ethically and profitably for the betterment of the communities in which they live and work.

- ▶ ABC contractor members are the benchmark for health and safety in the construction industry, 200 percent safer than the industry average by 2023.
- ▶ Increase the political influence of ABC by enacting government neutrality in contracting in 28 states and the federal government by 2020.
- ▶ Be the leading force in construction for careers and workforce development by 2020.
- ▶ Attain a 90 percent retention rate and add 3,000 members per year by attracting and delivering value to a diverse, committed and engaged membership.





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## 2018 ABC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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## LED BY MEMBERS TO **PROVIDE VALUE** TO MEMBERS

In the truest sense of the word, ABC is a member-run organization, governed by a 172-person board of directors composed of members from each chapter. In addition, ABC offers its members an opportunity to serve on committees and affiliate boards that provide valuable input to the board of directors and help establish the association's policies, priorities and objectives.

# THE MERIT SHOP

## National Advocacy Efforts Near \$4.3 Million in 2017-2018

The Free Enterprise Alliance raised \$2.8 million to support research, outreach and local and national issue advertising campaigns advocating for open and fair competition, surpassing its fundraising goal. FEA also supported the development of ABCVotes.com and WeBuildAmerica.com to educate and engage voters. ABC PAC spent nearly \$1.5 million to support pro-business candidates running for federal office during the cycle.



## ABC Members Win Elections Up and Down the Ballot

- Bill Lee is now the governor of Tennessee.
  - Carol Miller won the election for West Virginia's 3rd Congressional District.
  - Chuck Goodrich won the election for Indiana's 29th State House District.
  - Jeff Kipfmiller won a school board seat in Freeland, Michigan, and ABC Florida Gulf Coast Chapter President Steve Cona joined the Hillsborough County School Board in Tampa.
- The following ABC members were re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives: Markwayne Mullin (R-Okla.), Francis Rooney (R-Fla.), Lloyd Smucker (R-Pa.), Rick Allen (R-Ga.) and Bradley Byrne (R-Ala.).

## Media Campaign Raises Awareness of ABC Priorities

ABC generated nearly 9,200 stories in media outlets nationwide on issues ranging from infrastructure rebuilding to careers in construction. Cable television coverage including CNBC, Fox Business and Nightly Business Report generated almost \$3 million in equivalent advertising visibility.

## More Than 150 Lawmakers Visit ABC Member Jobsites and Chapter Events



Nebraska Gov. Pete Ricketts (R) toured the Global Center for Advance Interprofessional Learning of Sampson Construction and Midlands Mechanical.



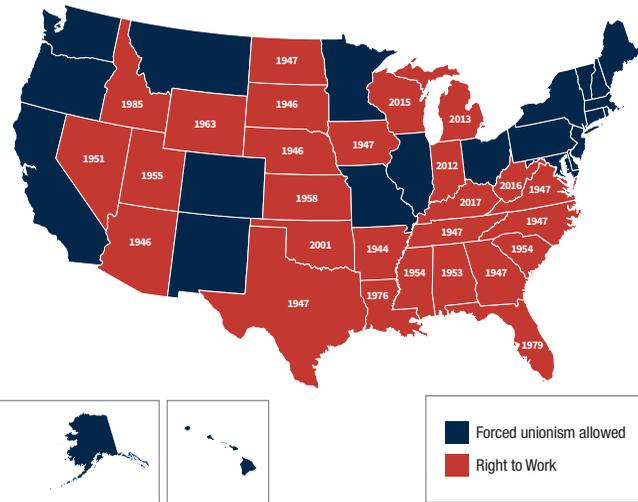
U.S. Secretary of Labor Alexander Acosta and Sen. Todd Young (R-Ind.) visited the Gaylor Electric Mobile Innovation Center.



Rep. Markwayne Mullin (R-Okla.) visited Cherokee Nation Enterprises.

For more than 65 years, ABC has been the leading voice for the merit shop philosophy in construction, defending the principles of free enterprise.

## WORKERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO WORK IN 27 STATES



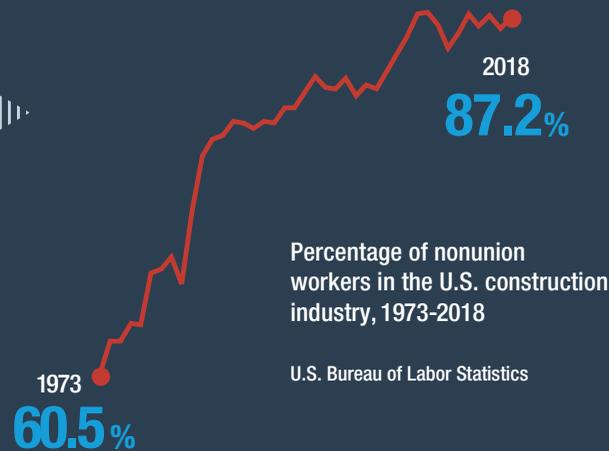
## Free Market Win: Prevailing Wage Repealed in Michigan

The number of states without prevailing wage laws increased to 24 when the Michigan legislature voted for repeal after a dramatic petition drive led by ABC of Michigan. As a result, the state had the seventh most positive construction environment in ABC's 2018 Merit Shop Scorecard, up from 24th in 2017.



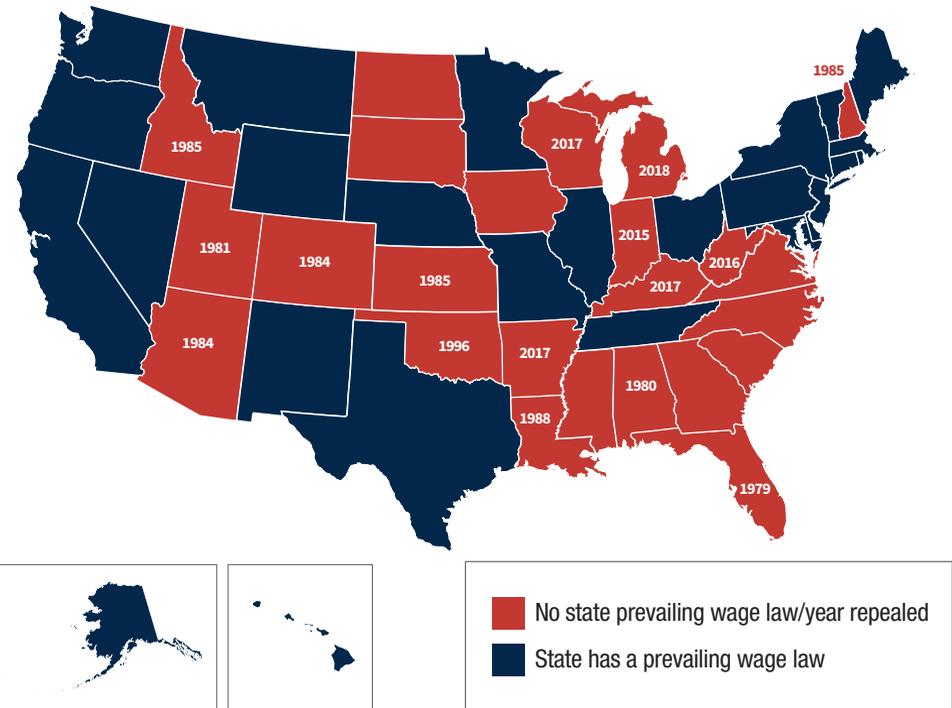
Jimmy Greene, president and CEO of the ABC Greater Michigan Chapter and Greater Michigan Construction Academy, was interviewed on WNEM-TV.

## THE MERIT SHOP CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE



Percentage of nonunion workers in the U.S. construction industry, 1973-2018

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



# DEVELOP PEOPLE

## ABC Signs Presidential Pledge on Workforce Development

Greg Sizemore, ABC vice president of HSE and workforce development, attended a White House ceremony to sign on to President Trump's "Pledge to America's Workers," committing to educate and develop at least 500,000 construction workers during the next five years.



## Education Summit Energizes Chapter Leaders

ABC brought together workforce development professionals from chapters nationwide for conversations and learning sessions on conducting successful outreach, educational programming and career guidance for the craft workers of tomorrow. More than 70 professionals exchanged ideas and discussed challenges and successes.



## Congress Hears ABC's Workforce Development Priorities

ABC member Mike Holland, chief operating officer of MAREK, testified before a U.S. Senate committee on the need to include industry-recognized apprenticeships in a modernized national definition of approved programs. And ABC Keystone Chapter President and CEO David Sload

highlighted the role apprenticeship programs play in equipping workers with the skills necessary to compete in the modern economy before a U.S. House of Representatives committee.

## ABC Promotes Careers in Construction in Interviews

ABC leaders were interviewed on CNBC, Fox Business, PBS and other major news broadcasts to highlight the 500,000 open jobs in construction and opportunities for career-seekers. "We will teach you the trade you want to learn, we will pay you while you do that, and when you graduate from that competency-based or time-based apprenticeship program, you'll be making a great living." — Michael Bellaman on CNBC.



ABC is working to elevate careers in construction and build the workforce pipeline.



In 2018, Our Craft  
Professionals Served  
ABC Contractors with

**5,362,318 Work-Hours.**

**... Emphasis was Placed on Safety, Productivity and Craftsmanship One Minute at a Time.**

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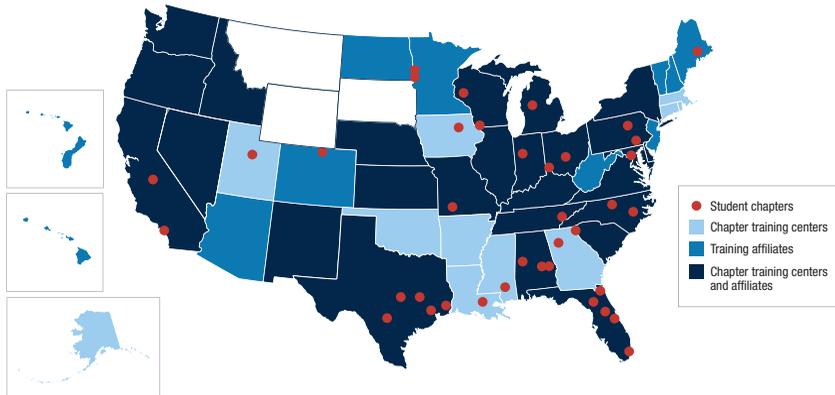
[tradesmeninternational.com](http://tradesmeninternational.com)



## ABC Builds Tomorrow's Construction Workforce

ABC's 70 chapters offered more than 800 apprenticeship, craft, safety and construction management education programs across the country. ABC member companies invest \$1.1 billion annually in workforce development, educating 476,000 industry professionals.

[workforce.abc.org](http://workforce.abc.org)



## National Craft Championships Gold Medalists Take Center Field

After competing in a field of 170 craft trainees and apprentices at ABC Convention 2018, NCC gold medalists and the 2018 ABC Craft Professional of the Year were recognized at a Washington Nationals baseball game capped by Freedom Fireworks.

[ncc.abc.org](http://ncc.abc.org)

## Chapters Celebrate Career Pathways With Signing Days

ABC of Wisconsin, which has been training apprentices in 12 different trades for more than 30 years, hosted a signing day with state lawmakers for graduates of its nearly 1,500-person registered apprenticeship program.



## ABC Honors Construction Management Competition Winners

The team of students from Florida International University, sponsored by the ABC Florida East Coast Chapter, was the overall CMC winner and earned awards in quality control, estimating and project management.

[cmc.abc.org](http://cmc.abc.org)

## ABC Celebrates Top Craft Pros



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**WILLIAM FULLER**  
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Craft Professional of the Year  
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# WIN WORK

## Members Benefit From Small Business Initiatives

Larry Lopez, president and CEO of Baltimore-based Green JobWorks and chair of ABC's Diversity Committee, testified before a U.S. House of Representatives subcommittee on how tax reform and other economic policies implemented by Congress and the Trump administration are benefitting small businesses.

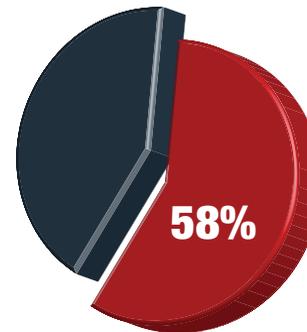


Lopez and Rep. Dave Brat (R-Va.), chair of the House Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access.

## Fair and Open Competition on All Federal Contracts

ABC prevented government-mandated PLAs on 100 percent of federal contracts exceeding \$25 million in 2018, ensuring that contracts totaling more than \$9.6 billion were awarded based on merit.

### ABC Members Won More Than Half of the Value of Large-scale Federal Contracts in 2018



Total Value Won:  
**\$5.6B**

Federal Contracts  
Exceeding \$25 Million

## ABC Recognizes Top Contractors

Exclusively for ABC members, the prestigious Accredited Quality Contractor program recognizes an elite group of more than 360 chapter members for excellence in quality, safety, employee benefits, training and community relations. The AQC credential helps ABC members recruit and retain employees, win work and demonstrate corporate citizenship. AQC is presented by The Contractors Plan, specializing in benefits administration and compliance for prevailing wage contractors.

[abc.org/aqc](http://abc.org/aqc)



**Associated Builders  
and Contractors, Inc.**



## United Rentals to Sponsor Diversity Program

ABC strategic partner United Rentals signed on as the program sponsor of the association's diversity initiatives, including the Diversity & Inclusion Summit and Diversity Excellence Awards. United Rentals and ABC work together to help member companies become more inclusive and diverse and make the industry stronger.

[diversity.abc.org](http://diversity.abc.org)

ABC creates opportunities for its members to bid on additional work, and then helps them win it.

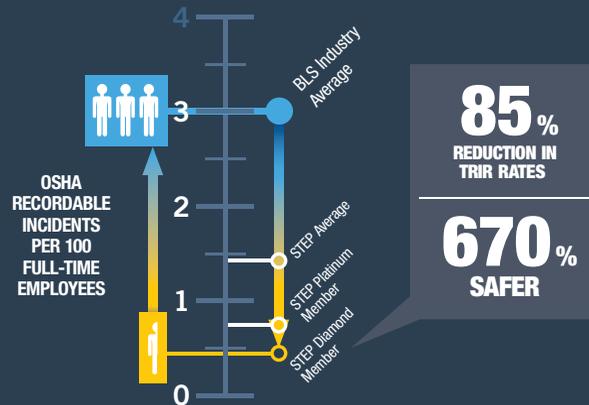


# WORLD-CLASS SAFETY



ABC sets world-class standards for health, safety, wellness and environment in the construction industry and helps its members achieve them.

## PARTICIPANTS IN ABC'S SAFETY TRAINING EVALUATION PROCESS ARE SAFER THAN THE INDUSTRY AVERAGE



Total Recordable Incident Rate: STEP vs. the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Industry Average

## ABC's STEP Program Grows

More contractors are committing to the best practices that make jobsites safer regardless of company size or type of work. ABC exceeded its goal for members using STEP as a prequalification tool to vet subcontractors by tenfold and recognized its first supplier STEP members. ABC conducted 13 safety academies nationwide in 2018 to increase STEP



participation. ABC added four new Key Components to STEP for 2019 and strengthened requirements to qualify for Gold and Silver levels.

[step.abc.org](http://step.abc.org)

## ABC's Safety Leadership on Display in Congress

Ryan Odendahl, Kwest Group president and chair of ABC's National Safety and Health Committee, testified before a U.S. House of Representatives committee to call for a collaborative effort between industry and the federal government to increase workplace safety.



## 2018 Safety Performance Report: STEP Diamond Members Are 670 Percent Safer

The best-performing STEP participants lowered their total recordable incident rate by 85 percent compared to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics construction industry average, according to data gathered from

ABC member companies recording more than one billion hours of work in construction, heavy construction, civil engineering and specialty trades.

[abc.org/spr](http://abc.org/spr)





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Construction Coalition for a Drug- and Alcohol-free Workplace

### Nearly 6,000 People Sign Drug- and Alcohol-free Workplace Coalition Pledge

Implementing a world-class substance abuse program reduced jobsite incidents by 63 percent, according to the ABC 2018 Safety Performance Report.

[drugfreeconstruction.org](http://drugfreeconstruction.org)

*“STEP has been part of our company’s safety progress since 1995. It has helped us move to and maintain our low incident rate while helping us build and reinforce our culture of safety.”*

GORDON BEAVER, Senior Vice President  
S & B Engineers and Constructors, Houston  
STEP Diamond member

*“STEP is a vital tool in our safety tool box. It’s as essential as the hammer, level or square is to a carpenter.”*

TONY ROUSSEY, Chief Operating Officer  
Elzinga & Volkers Inc., Holland, Michigan  
STEP Platinum member



## THE ROADMAP TO WORLD-CLASS SAFETY



### Record-breaking Safety Event in Michigan

ABC’s Western Michigan Chapter and Pioneer Construction hosted the biggest safety stand-down event in state history during 2018 Safety Week to teach approximately 400 attendees about fall protection.



# BENEFITS BUILT FOR PREVAILING WAGE CONTRACTORS

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# ETHICS AND COMPLIANCE

## Regulatory Reform Efforts Yield \$23 Billion in Cost Savings

ABC members continued to see meaningful regulatory relief in fiscal year 2018 as the Trump administration issued 12 deregulatory actions for every new one it proposed. Additionally, presidential executive orders related to regulatory reform saved American families and business owners \$23 billion in fiscal year 2018. See page 16 for a status report on ABC regulatory priorities, including the persuader final rule, electronic injury reporting and anti-retaliation final rule, and joint employer standard.



Office of Management and Budget Director Mick Mulvaney explained the administration's regulatory strategy at ABC Legislative Week 2018.

## DOL Rulemakings Offer Small Businesses More Flexibility

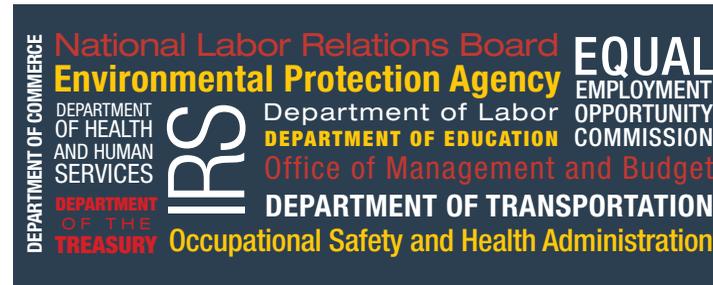
The U.S. Department of Labor issued important rulemakings in 2018 aimed at increasing access for small businesses to offer critical employee benefits such as 401(k) plans and affordable health insurance to the benefit of American workers. ABC welcomed the DOL's initiatives on association health plans, association retirement plans and health reimbursement arrangements.

## NLRB Solicits Feedback on 'Ambush' Election Rule and Joint Employer Standard

Under a new Republican majority, the National Labor Relations Board solicited public feedback on the 2014 ambush election final rule, also known as Representation-Case Procedures, and joint employer standard, which was a long-awaited development for ABC members. ABC urged the board to rescind the controversial ambush election final rule and return to the election procedures that were in effect and working well prior to the rule's adoption in 2014. ABC also supported the board's proposal to establish an updated standard for determining joint-employer liability under the National Labor Relations Act.

## ABC Keeps Members Informed

Check out ABC's weekly newsletter, *Newsline*, for all the latest news and an archive of 1,500 stories on legislative, regulatory and legal issues. Plus, ABC's Academy offers 150 webinars and toolkits to help members understand detailed compliance requirements and more.



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REGULATION	ABC ACTION	STATUS	DESIRED OUTCOMES
<p><b>PERSUADER</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filed lawsuit</li> <li>• Met with regulators</li> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Worked with stakeholder coalition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOL rescinded the rule effective Aug. 17, 2018</li> </ul>	<p>ABC applauded the rescission of the persuader rule. ABC supports employers' right to free speech and freedom of association and legal counsel, as well as the right of employees to obtain balanced information about union representation.</p>
<p><b>"AMBUSH" ELECTIONS</b> <i>(Representation-Case Procedures)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filed lawsuit</li> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Worked with stakeholder coalition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NLRB's final rule went into effect on April 14, 2015</li> <li>• NLRB issued a request for information on the final rule in December 2017</li> <li>• In 2018, NLRB listed a proposal to revise the final rule as a long-term action</li> </ul>	<p>In revising the Obama-era rule, ABC encourages the NLRB to return to the election procedures that were in effect and working well prior to adoption of the 2014 final rule.</p>
<p><b>ASSOCIATION HEALTH PLANS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Met with regulators</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOL's final rule took effect Aug. 20, 2018</li> </ul>	<p>ABC supports expanding the availability of quality, affordable health insurance by creating the conditions for associations to offer viable plans to their members.</p>
<p><b>ASSOCIATION RETIREMENT PLANS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Met with regulators</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOL is currently reviewing public comments on its proposed rule, which was issued in October 2018</li> </ul>	<p>ABC backs expanding access to affordable retirement saving opportunities through ARPs and decreasing the barriers for ABC members to offer high-quality workplace savings plan options.</p>
<p><b>ELECTRONIC INJURY REPORTING AND ANTI-RETALIATION</b> <i>(Improve Tracking of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filed Lawsuit</li> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Met with regulators</li> <li>• Worked with stakeholder coalition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OSHA issued the final rule on May 12, 2016</li> <li>• A proposal to revise the final rule was issued in July 2018</li> <li>• On Oct. 11, 2018, OSHA issued a memo clarifying the anti-retaliation provisions in the 2016 rule</li> <li>• Lawsuit pending</li> </ul>	<p>ABC continues to promote healthy and safe work environments and is actively engaged with DOL on improving the workability of the 2016 final rule.</p>
<p><b>JOINT EMPLOYER STANDARD</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Worked with stakeholder coalition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The expanded definition of joint employer is in effect following NLRB's 2015 decision in <i>Browning-Ferris Industries</i></li> <li>• NLRB issued a proposal to restore the previous joint employer standard in September 2018</li> </ul>	<p>ABC supports the NLRB's 2018 proposed rule and other legal and legislative efforts to restore the joint employer standard that was in place for more than 30 years prior to the NLRB's decision in BFI, bringing stability back into the economy for contractors and subcontractors across the country.</p>
<p><b>OVERTIME</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filed lawsuit</li> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Met with regulators</li> <li>• Worked with stakeholder coalition</li> <li>• Spoke at DOL listening session</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOL's 2016 final rule was blocked by permanent injunction</li> <li>• DOL issued a request for information on the final rule in July 2017</li> <li>• DOL plans to issue a proposed rule in March 2019</li> <li>• Lawsuit pending</li> </ul>	<p>ABC is pleased DOL is moving forward with a revised proposal in 2019 and hopes it will restore workplace flexibility for employers and employees alike.</p>
<p><b>RESPIRABLE CRYSTALLINE SILICA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filed lawsuit</li> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Met with regulators</li> <li>• Worked with stakeholder coalition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective Oct. 23, 2017, OSHA is fully enforcing all appropriate provisions of the Silica in Construction Standard</li> <li>• OSHA issued 53 FAQs to provide guidance to employers</li> <li>• OSHA plans to issue a request for information seeking feedback on potential revisions to Table 1</li> </ul>	<p>ABC is committed to promoting healthy and safe construction jobsites and continues to work with OSHA to make the silica rule more workable for the construction industry.</p>
<p><b>WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submitted comments</li> <li>• Supported legislative efforts</li> <li>• Met with regulators</li> <li>• Worked with stakeholder coalition</li> <li>• Spoke at EPA listening session</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 2015 EPA WOTUS final rule is in effect in states not covered by court injunctions</li> <li>• A proposal to repeal the 2015 final rule has been issued</li> <li>• EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers proposed a new definition of WOTUS in December 2018</li> </ul>	<p>ABC supports the 2018 proposal to redefine WOTUS. ABC has long advocated for a definition of WOTUS that protects the nation's waterways while providing clear regulations for business owners to follow.</p>

# PROFITABILITY

## ABC and JLG Form Strategic Partnership to Advance Innovation in Construction



ABC strategic partners help members with tough challenges like risk and information management, benefits administration and skilled manpower strategies. As ABC's newest strategic partner, pioneering access equipment manufacturer JLG Industries Inc. helps members solve industry challenges safely and productively with world-class education, training and equipment solutions.

[abc.org/strategicpartners](http://abc.org/strategicpartners)

## Members Saved More Than \$34 Million With ABC Discount Programs

Six new programs were launched in 2018: Nissan, Lowe's, Hotel Engine, Travelers Haven, Rugged Depot and Source Inc.

[abc.org/discounts](http://abc.org/discounts)



## Productivity Tool Ready to Be Tested in 2019

In 2018, ABC completed development of its Productivity Assessment Framework, which will be piloted in 2019. Similar to STEP, the assessment is a benchmarking tool that will provide members with a roadmap to world-class productivity.



## Economic Outlook: Momentum Persists, But Stay Vigilant

ABC's exclusive economic indicators and analysis by Chief Economist Anirban Basu help members understand the market and plan strategies for growth.

[abc.org/economics](http://abc.org/economics)

ECONOMIC INDICATORS: YEAR-OVER-YEAR PROGRESS			
INDICATOR	VALUE	% CHANGE	YOY TREND
Nonresidential Construction Spending	\$763.8 billion	7.3%	▲
Construction Employment	7.312 million jobs	4%	▲
Construction Input Prices (PPI)	232 (Index Value)	5.3%	▲
Construction Backlog Indicator	9 months	-4.3%	▼

*Data released through December 2018*

## 99 Percent of ABC Insurance Trust Clients Renew Their ABC Membership

The ABC Insurance Trust is the leading group benefits purchasing resource for ABC members, offering an array of employee benefits packages and health insurance products. In 2018, the trustees extended the rate guarantee on the ABC dental plan until January 2022 and negotiated an exclusive member discount on an Aetna health insurance program now available in 34 states.

[ABCInsuranceTrust.org](http://ABCInsuranceTrust.org)



## Construction Executive Magazine Launches New Website

The new, award-winning ConstructionExec.com logs 50,000 user sessions a month. A new newsletter, *CE This Week*, delivers customized updates from the magazine for the business of construction.

[ConstructionExec.com](http://ConstructionExec.com)

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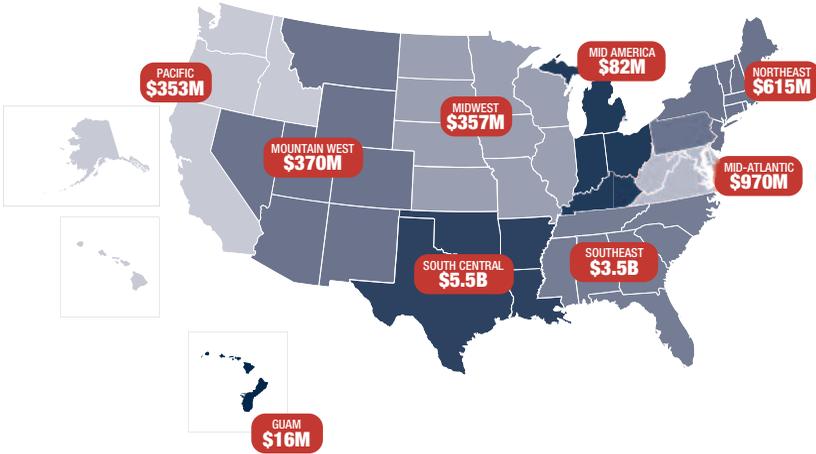


# COMMUNITY

## ABC Members Build America: \$11.7 Billion in Award-winning Projects

From military combat training facilities and boutique hotels to luxury senior living complexes and swing bridges, each year ABC recognizes the best merit shop construction projects at the Excellence in Construction® awards. In 2018, nearly 100 projects were selected for national honors based on complexity, attractiveness, unique challenges, completion time, workmanship, innovation, safety and cost.

[abc.org/eic](http://abc.org/eic)



## ABC Members Are #ABCMeritShopProud

ABC, its chapters and members have posted more than 20,000 stories with the #ABCMeritShopProud hashtag, sharing the projects, events, awards and success stories of the ABC community.

[ABCMeritShopProud.org](http://ABCMeritShopProud.org)

## Members Give Back to Communities

Callahan Construction Managers, Bridgewater, Massachusetts, provides job shadowing for career and technical education students at a local high school. "We give them real-world experience by applying class lessons to actual day-to-day jobsite activities," said Phil Dinan, business development and community relations manager.



Hundreds of volunteers from ABC Metro Washington partnered with Rebuilding Together and contractors from Shapiro & Duncan for "She Builds," which highlights female builders and the challenges some women-led households face. The volunteers repaired a women's shelter and two homes in Maryland.



[constructionexec.com/community](http://constructionexec.com/community)



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## WHAT'S NEXT

With steady economic expansion and a more challenging political environment post-election, it's more important than ever for ABC to help members develop people, win work and deliver that work safely, ethically and profitably for the betterment of the communities where we live and work.

I look forward to leading ABC in 2019 as we focus on four strategic goals to fulfill the promise of our value proposition.

- ▶ Increase the value of STEP to grow participation and make ABC members the benchmark for safety in construction.
- ▶ Pass merit shop priorities in statehouses and Congress through increased member political engagement and advocacy campaigns.
- ▶ Expand work-based learning, continuing education and re-skilling programs to enhance opportunities for 500,000 construction professionals in the next five years.
- ▶ Strengthen the ABC brand to continue growing membership and market share.

**Together, we are building America.**

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