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UPCOMING BCA EVENTS

- Young Professionals Forum | Program Finale**
Tentative - May 17
Fast Track Racing
- Annual Golf Outing**
Thurs., June 15
Coyote Creek

Record Attendance at BCA Spring Membership Event

The BCA's Spring Membership Dinner and Awards Banquet held last week boasted record attendance with more than 260 reservations from members and special guests. Members were awarded for their strong safety programs and noteworthy projects in which they were involved.

More coverage on the winners - including corporate recognition and photos - will be included in next month's newsletter!

Special acknowledgement is given to the generous sponsors of the two award programs and the dinner/social hour sponsors noted below. Please remember to support them with your business as able.



Spring

Membership Dinner and Awards Banquet



Excellence In Construction Sponsor:



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Construction Safety Forum | Silica Standard for Construction
Thurs., June 22
12:00 p.m.
BCA Office

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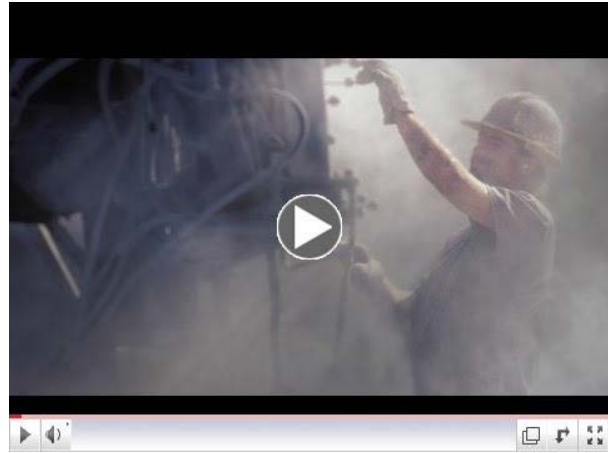
Get Involved with BCA!

As a volunteer-driven organization, BCA is continually seeking and encouraging member involvement. With seven standing committees, maybe we have a spot for you! [Click here](#) for more information on

Delay of Enforcement of the Silica Standard for Construction

OSHA will delay enforcement of the respirable crystalline silica standard for construction until September 23, 2017, to conduct additional outreach and provide educational materials and guidance for employers.

The final rule on Occupational Exposure to Crystalline Silica in Construction, published on March 25, 2016, established a new Permissible Exposure Limit and contained several other ancillary provisions that apply to the construction industry. This rule was codified at 29 CFR § 1926.1153 and became effective on June 23, 2016. Under the standard, all obligations were to commence on June 23, 2017, except for requirements for sample analysis in paragraph (d)(2)(v), which commence on June 23, 2018.



The construction standard for crystalline silica has a number of unique features warranting development of additional guidance materials. In order to provide the opportunity to conduct additional outreach to the regulated community and to provide additional time to train compliance officers, OSHA has decided to delay enforcement of this standard until September 23, 2017.

The BCA Safety Committee is offering a Construction Safety Forum on this topic June 22 presented by Patriot Engineering & Environmental, Inc. Watch for more information on how to register for this educational offering!



[Read more >](#) | Source: United States Department of Labor

Safety in numbers

... with workers' compensation insurance through the Building Contractors Association of Northeast Indiana.



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Burgess Appointed State Building Commissioner

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) announced Craig Burgess has been appointed State Building Commissioner.

As the state's building commissioner, Burgess will administer, enforce and assist with interpretation of all applicable codes and laws as they apply to all structures. He will also oversee the compliance of Class 1 building plans submitted for state review. Class 1 buildings include schools, hospitals, daycares, many businesses and other

volunteer opportunities with BCA.

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establishments that are for public or business use.

"Craig Burgess has a wealth of knowledge and experience that will serve Indiana's design, construction and overall business community," said IDHS Executive Director Bryan Langley. "Thoroughly and expeditiously reviewing public building plans is an important part of ensuring public safety while also furthering Indiana's positive business climate."

Burgess is a registered architect and is licensed in Indiana and Illinois. His more than 30-year career includes experience as an architect and construction plan reviewer for nearly all construction types and occupancy groups. Most recently Burgess was the chief of the Plan Review Section for Fire and Building Safety, a division of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security.

He is a member of the American Institute of Architects and holds certifications from the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and the International Code Council. Burgess is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)-accredited design professional. | Source: Indiana Department of Homeland Security



Northeast Indiana Regional Development Authority Recommends Funding for Seven Projects

The Northeast Indiana Regional Development Authority (RDA) met earlier in the month to consider requests for Regional Cities Initiative funding for projects supporting the Road to One Million plan.

Due to supplemental funding resources to support The Landing development in Fort Wayne, the board has an additional \$2 million to invest in regionally transformative projects. To be able to fund as many projects as possible, the RDA reduced each project's original grant request by 2 percent.

The board voted to support seven projects including:

1. Riverfront Park Fort Wayne Phase I in Allen County, which endorsed a \$5,170,480 grant, representing less than 20 percent of the \$26,381,000 of the project's total cost;
2. Eagles Theatre Project in Wabash County, which endorsed a \$976,635 grant, representing less than 20 percent of the \$4,982,838 of the project's total cost;
3. Wabash Trails in Wabash County, which endorsed a \$941,031 grant, representing less than 20 percent of the \$4,801,180 of the project's total cost;
4. Russel and Evelyn Fahl Aquatics Facility in Whitley County, which endorsed a \$844,078 grant, representing less than 20 percent of the \$4,258,751 of the project's total cost;
5. Strawberry Valley Cultural Trail in Noble County, which endorsed a \$248,920 grant, representing less than 20 percent of the \$1,270,175 of the project's total cost;
6. Fishing Line Trail in Noble County, which endorsed a \$171,500 grant, representing less than 20 percent of the \$1,023,673 of the project's total cost; and
7. Kendallville Outdoor Recreation Center in Noble County, which endorsed a \$392,000 grant, representing less than 20 percent of the \$2,388,132 of the project's total cost.

"For the RDA board, it's critical we fund as many regionally transformative projects as possible to attract and retain talent in Northeast Indiana. Thanks to the funding available to The Landing Project, we were able to invest in seven more quality of place projects across the region. This is what the Road the One Million plan is all about," said RDA board chair Bob Marshall, executive vice president of Campbell & Fetter Bank.

The Board's recommendation now goes to the Indiana Economic Development

Rothberg Logan & Warsco LLP

Larry Weigand
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Quick Links...

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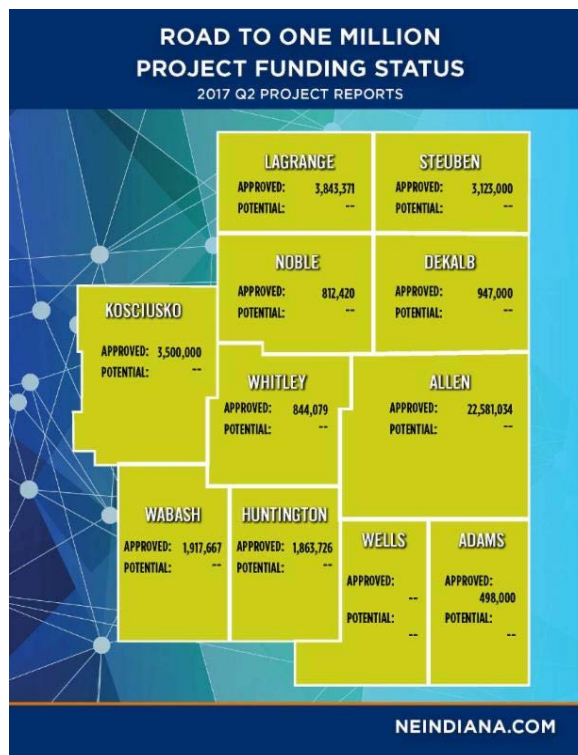
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Corporation (IEDC) for review and final approval to receive funding.

The RDA also reported on the progress of the following Road to One Million projects, which are either approved or under review by the RDA or the IEDC:

1. Skyline Tower;
2. Trine University;
3. University of Saint Francis;
4. Embassy Theatre;
5. The DeKalb County YMCA;
6. Little River Trail;
7. Manchester Early Learning Center;
8. Buffalo Street Redevelopment Project;
9. Fort Wayne Regional Trails;
10. South Adams Trails;
11. The Enterprise Center;
12. The United Brethren (UB) Block;
13. Posterity Heights Scholar House;
14. Michiana Event Center;
15. The Landing; and
16. The Clyde Theatre Renovation Project.

[Read more>](#) | Source: Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership



IEDC Approves Regional Cities Funding

Indiana Economic Development Corp. has approved a total of nearly \$8 million in Regional Cities Initiative funding for three projects in northeast Indiana. The projects will take place in Shipshewana, Fort Wayne and Huntington.

The IEDC approved \$3.8 million in funding for the relocation and expansion of the Michiana Event Center, which has previously operated in Howe and will move to Shipshewana. The IEDC says the project, which totals \$19 million, will enhance tourism in the region.

An additional \$2.48 million in funding has been approved for the Posterity Scholar House on the southeast side of Fort Wayne. The project aims to provide affordable housing to lower-income or single-parent families looking to obtain post-secondary education. It will connect single-parent students with opportunities in various growth sectors in the region, including advanced manufacturing and healthcare.

Construction on the nearly \$12.5 million project is expected to be complete in 2018. Finally, the IEDC has approved \$1.6 million in funding for the UB Block in Huntington, which consists of three historic buildings to which Huntington University plans to move and expand programs in entrepreneurship and economic and civic collaboration. The IEDC says Pathfinder services will also relocate and expand its Creative Abilities Art Center in the UB Block. Construction is expected to be complete by August 2018.

"Indiana has built a great business environment through deliberate planning, sound fiscal policies and a collaborative effort to create long-term solutions for economic growth and prosperity," said Indiana Secretary of Commerce Jim Schellinger.

New Member Spotlight...

ALLEN COUNTY WAR MEMORIAL COLISEUM™
 ARENA, EXPO CENTER & CONFERENCE CENTER

ALLEN COUNTY WAR MEMORIAL COLISEUM
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 Randy Brown, *Executive Vice President and General Manager*
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The Allen County War Memorial Coliseum is the tri-state's leading public and private event facility, hosting more than 1,000,000 visitors annually. Serving northeast Indiana, northwest Ohio, and southern Michigan, the 80-acres Memorial Coliseum Arena, Expo Center & Conference Center complex is host to the Fort Wayne Komets (ECHL), the Fort Wayne Mad Ants (NBADL) and the Fort Wayne Derby Girls (WFTDA). The facility hosts national concerts, family shows, business and philanthropic events; the area's largest tradeshow and consumer events, and private gatherings.

Thank You for Your Membership Renewals...

Membership Investments Received March 27 to April 27, 2017

- Carter-Waters
- Fastenal
- Foundation Building Materials
- Herc Rentals Inc.
- Howmac, Inc.
- Ingersoll Rand
- McGuff Roofing, Inc.
- Specialized Printed Products, Inc.
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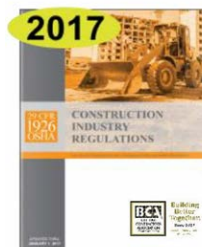
OSHA Compliance Products Available

The BCA offers several OSHA Compliance Products to help make your job easier! [Click here](#) for more information.

UPDATED OSHA CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS - 2017 EDITION

Member Price: \$25 each

This single desktop reference provides the full text of OSHA construction industry standards (29 CFR 1926) with up-to-date coverage of the complete standards and all amendments as of January 2017.



LABOR LAW POSTER SET

Member Price: 1-2 count, \$20 each | 2-4 count, \$17 each | 5 or more, \$15 each

Indiana and federal laws require your company to post up-to-date employee posters in your workplace and on your jobsites. BCA has an UPDATED 2017 all in-one Labor Law Poster to help meet these posting requirements. Sized 34"x27.5" and laminated for durability, this poster includes:

- Emergency Phone Numbers
- Employee Polygraph Protection Act (Federal) - Updated 07/2016
- Equal Employment Opportunity (Federal) - 09/2009
- EEO Supplement (Federal) - 09/2015
- Fair Labor Standards Act / Minimum Wage (Federal) - Updated 07/2016
- Family & Medical Leave Act (Federal) - Updated 04/2016
- OSHA (Federal) - 2015 - *Includes Language to Comply with Anti-Retaliation*

Requirements in OSHA's New Recordkeeping Rule!

- IOSHA (Indiana)
- Unemployment Compensation Notice (Indiana) - 12/2010
- Uniformed Services Employment & Reemployment Rights Act (Federal USERRA) - 07/2008
- Worker's Compensation Notice (Indiana)

Permitting Excellence Coalition Honored for Work on Streamlined Permitting

The jurisdictions participating in Northeast Indiana's [Permitting Excellence Coalition \(PEC\)](#) were honored at a Permitting Recognition Reception April 19 hosted by the Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership and the [HPG Network](#).

Participating jurisdictions in the Permitting Excellence Coalition include:

- Allen County / City of Fort Wayne
- City of Angola
- City of Auburn
- City of Decatur
- DeKalb County
- Huntington County
- City of Huntington
- LaGrange County
- City of New Haven
- Town of North Manchester
- Rome City
- City of Wabash
- Wells County
- Whitley County / City of Columbia City

PEC representatives met throughout 2016 - the third year for the coalition - to focus on process and communication improvements that align with the core customer values of consistency, transparency and easy access.

Accomplishments this year include improved tracking of performance data, utilization of a standardized customer feedback survey and regular input from high volume customers through a customer-oriented taskforce.

"The Permitting Excellence Coalition's dedication to continuous improvement gives Northeast Indiana a competitive edge in attracting new businesses and encouraging investments by existing businesses. Our tireless commitment to bettering our permitting processes continues to advance and empower the region. That's good for our businesses, our residents and our communities," said Nathan Bilger, Executive Director of Planning and Building in Whitley County.

With the third year of the program complete, the Permitting Excellence Coalition now has a foundation to continue work on its three core values of consistency, transparency and easy access. The group's efforts this year will allow it to better measure and communicate the effectiveness of the process in order to meet customer needs.

[Read more>](#) | Source: Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership

Office Depot and BCA Partner to Help Members Save on Office Supplies



BCA is pleased to offer members a group purchasing program, the Office Depot BCA Member Advantage Program. Take advantage of purchasing power available when

you pool your office supply needs with other members. Participants can receive up to 80% off regular retail prices on core items most commonly used by businesses. Enrollment is free - never any fees or minimum purchase requirements! For more information, contact Christopher Michaels of Office Depot at 260 242-3171 or complete and return the enrollment form.

[Office Depot BCA Member Advantage Program Enrollment Form](#)

Help Build Strength in Membership

Membership retention and growth are vital elements in the pursuit of furthering BCA's objectives to provide opportunities for members to be more effective participants in the commercial construction industry in northeast Indiana. Currently the association's membership base encompasses over 260 companies representing the whole commercial construction process - including general and specialty contractors, architects and engineers, and materials and professional service providers.

Please take the time to review our [membership listing](#). This is an excellent resource for quality contractors and suppliers of materials and professional services. Also, we strongly encourage your patronage of members!

As you look over the membership roster, *who is missing that you do business with?* [E-mail](#) or call the BCA office contact information, then the Membership Committee will follow up and mail your prospect a packet of information outlining the benefits of membership noting you as a referral. An [electronic membership packet](#) is also available for your use.

Let's work to build strength in membership! **Building Better Together.**

Fort Wayne - Allen County - New Haven - Leo Commercial Building Permit Activity

	Current Mar. 2017	Year Ago Mar. 2016	% Change
Building Permits	154	119	+ 29.4%
Total Value	\$47,903,944	\$29,033,566	+ 65.0%
Average Job Value	\$311,065	\$243,980	+ 27.5%