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Upcoming Events:

<u>May</u> 5.16.2022

Transportation
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5.24.22

Business Practices
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5.22.22-5.25.22

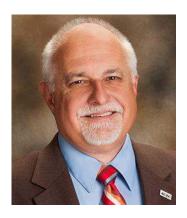
ACEC Annual Conference

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A message from Executive Director James Smith

Though we are coming to the last couple of months of our organizational year, we are keeping our foot on the gas.

On a leadership front, we continue to appreciate the leadership of this year's board of directors and committees. You have each led our organization admirably, and our industry thanks you. And we are so



happy to announce the new members of the board and leadership for 2023. We all look forward to the direction they take our organization in the coming year.

Read more of Jim's message.



2022 ANNUAL CONVENTION AND LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT MAY 22-25, 2022 | GRAND HYATT WASHINGTON, WASHINGTON DC #ACEC2022ANNUAL

ACEC Annual Convention

Welcome back to Washington, D.C.!

The ACEC Annual Convention is back in-person. This 3-day convention features high-profile speakers, education sessions on ACEC industry topics, roundtables, networking, and hill visits.

Learn more here.

<u>June</u>

6.15.22

B&I Committee
Meeting

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6.27.22

ACEC/NC Legislative
Golf Tournament

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6.28.22

Business Practices
Committee Meeting

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ACEC/NC Legislative Golf Tournament With Guest Speaker John Davis

If you are looking for an opportunity to build your relationship with a client or colleague or to reward your staff for a job well done, the ACEC/NC Legislative Golf Tournament is for you!

WHEN: June 27, 2022
WHERE: Prestonwood Country Club
DEADLINE TO REGISTER: Friday, June 17

Register

You can **join in person or virtually** to hear John Davis, one of the top influencers in North Carolina, present his take on the recent NC Primary and what it portends for our state in the upcoming National Election in November. John's prognostications are usually "spot-on" so you don't want to miss his presentation on what's in store as we roll through the upcoming campaigns.

Breakfast & John Davis Presentation ONLY (In-Person) - \$45 John Davis Presentation (Virtual) - \$30

Sponsorship Opportunities!



Join the Legislative Committee in Wilmington

The Legislative Committee will hold its next meeting in Wilmington at the Flying Machine Brewing Company.

Register today to join in person or virtually!

<u>Register</u>



"Engineering North Carolina's Future" Makes \$35 million investment in North Carolina A&T



ENCF is a special initiative created by the

North Carolina General Assembly aimed at dramatically beefing up the high-tech workforce for a state exploding in new business growth, with companies such as Apple, Toyota, Corning, Merck, Honda, and Boom Supersonic either announcing new campuses or operations in North Carolina over the past year.

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ACEC Leads Call for U.S. DOT Capital Investments to Address Supply Chain Bottlenecks

The Council led a group of transportation stakeholders in urging Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg to dedicate Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funds to support capital projects that will ease supply chain disruptions.



"Whether it is improvements to port infrastructure, addressing freight bottlenecks at major highway interchanges, or investing in grade separation projects, these investments will not only improve safety and air quality but will better the U.S. economy," the groups wrote. The U.S. DOT controls approximately \$4 billion in competitive grants for freight and highway improvements (INFRA), projects of national and regional significance (MEGA), and rail infrastructure improvements (CRISI) in Fiscal Year 2022 alone and an anticipated \$18 billion over five years under the IIJA.

Featured Member Spotlight

A VP of one of our engineering clients said the following about the benefits of engaging BDC: "I know their programs work because more often people come to me with solutions now instead of problems."

Founded in 1997, BDC (located in Fuquay-Varina) is celebrating its 25th successful year in business! The company specializes in professional staff development, especially management training. BDC stands for: **Building your people**, **Developing their skills**, and **Cultivating high performance**.

The BDC team works with clients worldwide in a myriad of industries.

Bob Graham is a former Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce Advisory Board member and is a Certified Master Facilitator. Graham, who previously was with Crestcom, has earned Chariman's circle seven times, awarded MVP, and achieved the highest annual sales worldwide.

The BDC team is an active participant in the Fuquay-Varina community, supporting local initiatives like the Fuquay-Varina Art Center, scholarships for Fuquay-Varina High School students, various Rotary projects, and the Freedom Balloon Fest. Bob is also an NCAA Men's Lacrosse official.

To learn more, visit **busdevcorpusa.com** or call (919) 271-6780.

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