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# International Code Council and Building Talent Foundation Announce New Collaboration

The two organizations will promote careers in construction and reinforce education and training opportunities for future construction professionals

**Washington, D.C.** – The International Code Council and the Building Talent Foundation (BTF) announced that they will be combining efforts to support and strengthen the residential construction and building safety workforce. The two organizations will promote careers in construction and better align education and training for emerging professionals with the changing needs of the industry.

Under the new memorandum of understanding, both parties will collaborate to assist jobseekers in connecting to potential job opportunities in the building and construction field, support youth who are exploring careers in construction, provide access to pertinent resources, and promote building safety skills training programs.

"The Code Council is committed to supporting building and construction professionals with the resources they need to succeed in their careers," said Dominic Sims, CBO, Chief Executive Officer, International Code Council. "Our work with BTF will help welcome new entrants to the field and support them with job portals, education and other resources."

BTF strives to rebuild and create a sustainable residential construction workforce by bringing together the creative energy, resources and efforts of builders, trade partners, suppliers, manufacturers, and educational partners throughout the industry. BTF's mission is to advance the education, training and career progress of young people and those from underrepresented groups, as skilled professionals in residential construction.

"Engaging with the Code Council will be an incredible resource, allowing us to connect job seekers with employers, mentors and advisors in residential construction," said Branka Minic, Chief Executive Officer, Building Talent Foundation. "It will also give our employers, job seekers and educational partners access to the Code Council's safety training programs. The result will ultimately be a stronger, well-trained workforce."

For more information about the Code Council's Safety 2.0 Programs click here.

#### **About the International Code Council**

The <u>International Code Council</u> is the leading global source of model codes and standards and building safety solutions. Code Council codes, standards and solutions are used to ensure safe, affordable and sustainable communities and buildings worldwide.

### **About Building Talent Foundation**

<u>Building Talent Foundation (BTF)</u> is a non-profit organization founded by the Leading Builders of America, 20 of the largest residential construction companies in the United States. BTF's mission is to advance the education, training, and career progression of young people and people from underrepresented groups, helping them develop into skilled technical workers and business owners in residential construction.