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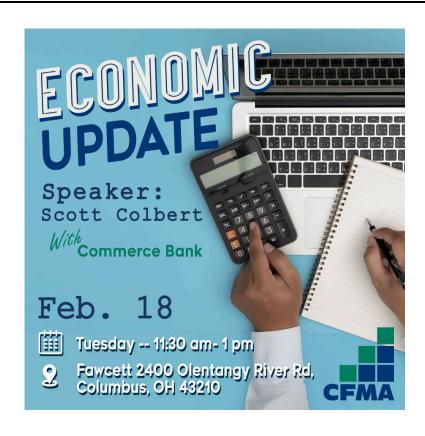
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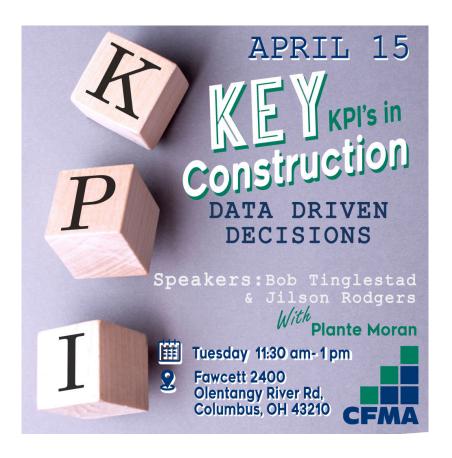
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General Member Communication:





To help lift our General Members, we are excited to announce the creation of a private chat group exclusively for General Members. We believe this will provide a dedicated space for meaningful conversations, idea sharing, and collaboration. The private chat group will be a GroupMe platform where construction finance leaders can connect on a more personal level to share and support each other. If you are a General Member and interested in joining this exclusive chat group, click on the link below:

https://groupme.com/contact/118574029/COMYhVII

CFMA Articles:



2024 & Beyond

by: Neil Shah

As the construction industry continues to evolve at a rapid pace, staying informed and adaptable is more critical than ever.

This issue of *CFMA Building Profits* offers a comprehensive overview of the latest trends, technologies, and strategies shaping the future of construction. By staying informed and embracing these developments, industry professionals can position themselves for success in an ever-evolving landscape.

2025 Construction Industry Outlook

Reflecting on the past year, 2024 has been marked by significant advancements and challenges in the construction sector.

As we look ahead to 2025, we anticipate continued growth in sustainable building practices, increased adoption of digital technologies, and a greater emphasis on resilience and adaptability. This forward-looking perspective aims to equip industry professionals with the insights needed to strategize and thrive in the coming year.

CFMA's CONFINDEX represents the sentiments of industry professionals, and as noted in the Q3 CONFINDEX report, the skills shortage across all disciplines in construction is expected to continue into 2025.

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2025 Construction Industry Outlook

by: James Liechty, Janeen Butler

Looking ahead to 2025 and beyond, the construction industry faces both challenges and opportunities for growth in the coming year.

This article explores upcoming legislative changes, industry trends, and tips for setting and keeping corporate and personal goals to prepare for the future.

Mixed Projections for 2025

Depending on who you ask about the overall industry landscape, you will likely hear different projections, ranging from a possible recession to continued optimism with strong backlogs and no slowdown in sight. These views reflect challenges like rising labor costs, skilled worker shortages (although easing), interest rate uncertainty, and limited financing.

Legislative tailwinds from the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)*, the *Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)*, and the *Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors Act* also drive demand in sectors such as manufacturing facilities, data centers, and infrastructure.¹

"Through it all, the outlook for construction spending looks positive," stated Anirban Basu, CFMA's Economic Advisor and Chairman and CEO of Sage Policy Group, Inc., in CFMA's June 2024 CONFINDEX report. "With megaprojects associated with manufacturing facilities, data centers, and infrastructure still apparent, overall spending is on the rise. For contractors associated with these projects, the outlook remains bright, with the greatest challenges revolving around satisfying contractual obligations. But for those in regions or segments lacking megaproject impetus, the general outlook is not nearly as bright."²

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Mental Health & Suicide Prevention

By: Stuart Binstock

This is my *penultimate* message in CFMA Building Profits as I will be retiring in August 2023. "Penultimate" is one of my favorite words; very few people know what it means and many think it's exactly the opposite of its definition — "next to last." So, consider that my final English class for all of you at CFMA! But I digress.

As many of you know, May is Mental Health Awareness Month. So in this *penultimate* message, I would like to focus my comments on CFMA's contributions to mental health and suicide prevention in the construction industry.

CFMA has been a leader in this initiative since 2015, when Cal Beyer and Sally Spencer-Thomas wrote an article on suicide prevention in construction that was published in the November/December issue of *CFMA Building Profits*. With no idea about what the response to that article would be, there was an outpouring of support on CFMA's Connection Café that made us realize we had hit a nerve that we didn't know existed.

Since then, we created the Construction Industry Alliance for Suicide Prevention (CIASP) (preventconstructionsuicide.com), which is now an independent 501(c)(3) organization, to raise awareness about suicide prevention and provide resources and tools to create a zero-suicide industry by uniting and supporting the construction community.

The best evidence I can give of how we have changed the conversation in the construction industry was at a recent summit on suicide prevention in which 49 organizations applied to receive an award related to their efforts in suicide prevention. If such an event was held in 2015, there would have been zero applications. We have made much progress, but there is still more to be done.

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