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GBCA Recognized as AGC Chapter of the Year and Chapter Public Relations Award Winner

Philadelphia — Sept. 29, 2026 — The General Building Contractors Association (GBCA) has been recognized by the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) with two national honors: Chapter of the Year and the Chapter Public Relations Award.

The awards recognize GBCA's leadership among AGC chapters nationwide and highlight the association's efforts to strengthen the construction industry, engage its members and elevate the industry's impact across the Greater Philadelphia region.

GBCA received the Chapter of the Year award in recognition of its overall achievements and contributions as an AGC chapter. In 2025, GBCA expanded workforce development and professional education, strengthened advocacy on behalf of contractors, resolved more than 40 member issues with local agencies and increased member engagement through new and reimagined programs.

GBCA was also honored with the Chapter Public Relations Award for its Choose GBCA campaign, which transformed original safety research into a sustained public awareness campaign promoting the value of union construction. Built around an analysis of more than 2 million OSHA 300 log entries over eight years, the campaign used earned media, advertising, digital content, events and jobsite materials to bring data-driven safety messaging to owners, developers, policymakers and industry stakeholders.

"Being named AGC's Chapter of the Year and receiving the Chapter Public Relations Award is a tremendous honor and a reflection of the strength of our membership," said GBCA President and CEO Ben Connors. "These awards recognize what we can accomplish when our members, labor partners and industry come together. Most importantly, they belong to the contractors and tradespeople who make our industry stronger every day."

The national recognition comes as GBCA continues to advance initiatives focused on workforce development, safety, advocacy, education and member engagement throughout the construction industry.

About GBCA

The General Building Contractors Association (GBCA) is the Philadelphia region's leading construction trade association representing union commercial, industrial and institutional contractors. GBCA provides advocacy, safety, education and networking opportunities to advance the industry and support its members.