#### SPOTLIGHT ON ABC FLORIDA EAST COAST





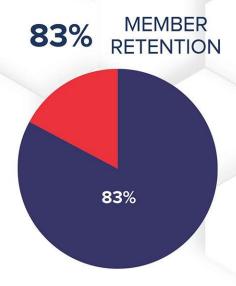
Florida East Coast

# ADVOCACY NETWORKING EDUCATION

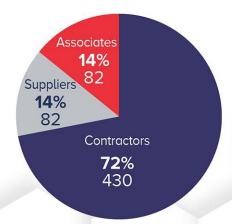
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## STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

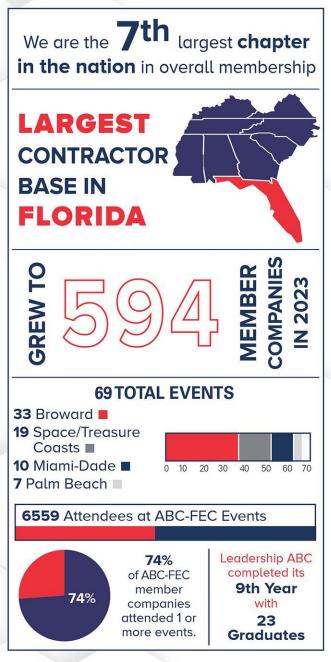


#### **CONTRACTOR BASE**





#### **MEMBERS DOING BUSINESS WITH MEMBERS**



WE JOINED ABC IN 2015; THE CONTACTS
WE'VE MADE THROUGH OUR MEMBERSHIP
HAVE RESULTED IN GREAT EXPOSURE FOR
OUR COMPANY. WE HAVE FOUND OUR ABC
MEMBERSHIPTO BE A GREAT INVESTMENT.

### RHONDA ROSENOF

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT
BIG DOG CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC.

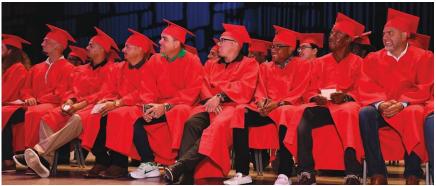
# **ABC Institute Apprenticeship College: Building Tomorrow—Today**

The Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Institute Apprenticeship College is the single largest apprenticeship education provider in the state of Florida. We are committed to offering a wide range of affordable and highquality classes, apprenticeships, preapprenticeships and other educational services tailored to the construction industry's needs. Our Apprenticeship College trains in seven trades across 10 campuses.

The ABCI's commitment to providing a comprehensive, debt-free education in construction trades is a beacon of hope in today's economic climate. As millennials and Gen Z increasingly turn to trade jobs, ABCI continues to invest in the future, fostering skilled professionals who

will play a crucial role in addressing the construction industry's workforce shortage. This investment benefits the graduates but strengthens the industry, driving growth and development across Florida.

ABC Institute's Class of 2024 graduation was held on July 13, marking a milestone for 120 graduated apprentices. These men and women diligently completed intensive training while balancing full-time work and evening



Tomorrow's construction industry leaders graduate from the ABC Institute Apprenticeship

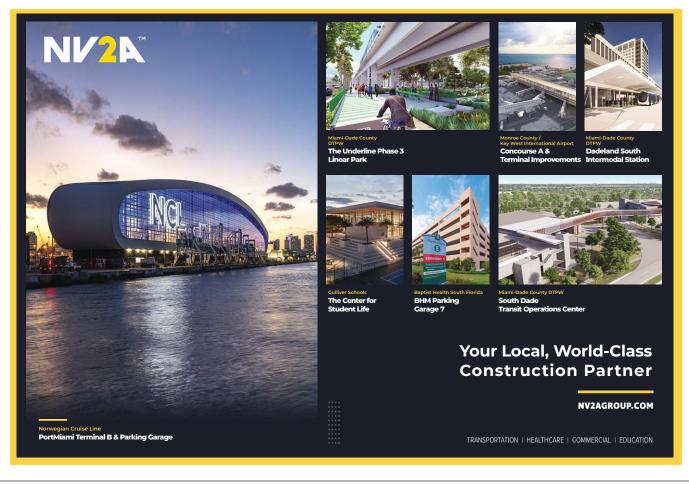


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classes over several years. They are now equipped with invaluable skills in electrical, lineman, plumbing, roofing, fire sprinkler, pipefitting and HVAC. This achievement opens new horizons for them, promising prosperous careers in the construction industry without the burden of student debt.

This year's graduation would not have been possible without the participation of Milwaukee Tool, MasTec, William R. Nash, Rack Electric, Polaris Fire Protection, Diligent Welding and Fabrication, UES, D&B Tile Distribution and Advanced Roofing.

The impact of this accomplish-



Graduation at ABC's Institute Apprenticeship College.

ment extends beyond the graduates themselves, resonating deeply within their families and communities. The academic ceremony was a heartfelt celebration, bringing together families and friends to honor the perseverance and dedication of the apprentices. The pride and joy shared by the graduates underscores the transformative power of education and training.

The popularity of the ABC Institute Apprenticeship College is growing as word spreads about the unique opportunity it presents for our students and our participating employers. In 2023, the program realized a 20% revenue increase compared with the previous year and graduated 109 students. For the 2023/24 academic year, enrollment grew to 371 fall freshmen—24.4% over the initial projection.

Call ABCI to begin your journey of developing your workforce through our apprenticeship program. Visit www. WeTrain.org or call 954-580-2950.

