

# Building Clark County News

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## President's Message Dave Myllymaki, ReNew Creations

I'm estatic to announce that 227 BIA of Clark County members will receive their R.O.I.I. Select checks a month early.

This program, offered by the BIAW, allows companies to receive a refund on workers' compensation premiums if their jobsites are safe, worker injuries are reduced, and claims from injuries are minimized.

Because of this program, 227 BIA members in Southwest Washington will receive \$3.2 million in the next week!

This beats last year's record refund of \$2.6 million and will certainly aid our local members during these uncertain times.

If you're not enrolled in the R.O.I.I. program, you have until May 30 to apply.

JULY 9

Nothing but Networking with Cascade Flooring America

JULY 17

Golf Tournament presented by Lifetime Exteriors

## Government Affairs Brief

Read monthly government affairs  
update online

What's new in code, regulation, legislation & more!



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If you're not at the table, you're on  
the menu.... Get Involved!

### COVID-19 RESOURCES YOU SHOULD CHECK OUT NOW:

BIAW Jobsite Safety Plan &  
Site Signage

BIA of Clark County's online  
PPE store

Frequently Asked Questions  
& MORE!

[LEARN MORE](#)

## Stay Vigilant. Stay Safe.

On Friday, April 24, Governor Inslee adopted the construction stakeholder group proposal and issued an [addendum](#) to his initial [Proclamation 20-25](#). Only [certain activities](#) including low risk construction projects per the [Proclamation 20-25 Addendum](#) (Phase 1) are allowed until the Stay Home, Stay Healthy proclamation is no longer in effect. Currently the stakeholder group is meeting regularly to decide on appropriate protocol for Phase 2. Our industry is well represented in the stakeholder group and Greg Lane, Executive VP of BIAW, was the driving force behind us getting back to work.

As we work to expand allowed construction to new projects while limiting the requirements we must abide by, one thing is

paramount: We must continue to abide by the protocols and requirements set out in [Proclamation 20-25 Addendum](#) and remind our fellow builders, developers, and subs do the same.

Many of you have contacted me to ask questions about [compliance](#) so I know you have been doing your part to make sure we can continue to work, but all it takes is a few bad apples to paint us all with a negative brush. Governor Inslee has already explicitly said that if there is a problem with [compliance](#), not only will we not move into Phase 2, but may lose the progress we have made.

As Tracy Doriot, BIAW First VP has stated, "All it takes is one hot spot to show up in the construction industry and we are done."

Stay Vigilant. Stay Safe.

**Advocacy is effective if we  
have your engagement!**

**We want to hear from you:** Testify at public hearings, offer expertise on many subject matters, encourage members to get involved.

## FAQs

### Who is responsible for providing PPE, GC or Sub?

The employer is responsible for providing PPE for their employees; however, the GC is responsible for making sure everyone on-site follows all the Phase 1 requirements. We suggest having extra of all required equipment in case someone arrives on site without it.

### I am an electrician; can I work on a project if I didn't have a contract or didn't sign a contract before March 25th?

Yes, if the project had a permit or contract in place before March 25th. The order qualifies existing construction by the project, not the individual work done on the project.

[VIEW MORE ONLINE](#)

## Paycheck Protection Program Forgiveness Webinar

Join us for a short presentation and discussion with Chris Lewis, Lewis Group CPAs, about the accounting requirements for PPP funding and how to make sure your loan is forgivable.

Tuesday, May 19 at 9:45am

[Register](#)

## Office Protocol

The question of office support and protocol has become more common in the past week. If you have staff positions that are essential to support the operations allowed under the Phase 1 order, and their functions cannot be performed from home, they can be in the office. However, a different set of protocols is required to be followed. Please review [DOSH Directive 1.70](#) and make sure you are strictly adhering to the protocols in office environments.

## Model Homes

In addition to questions regarding office protocol, we have also received several questions regarding model homes and/or showing homes. These fall under the restrictions governing real estate activities that are outside of the Phase 1 construction regulations, so we don't have any guidance documents or protocol recommendations. We suggest working with CCAR to find out what specific protocols are required for those interactions.

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## Auction for Political Action Cancelled for 2020

**It was a tough decision, but after much consideration the Building Industry Group Board of Directors has chosen to cancel the 2020 Auction for Action.**

**Due to the high level of uncertainty around the event, the members felt that it would be better to pursue other revenue streams to support our political action for the year.**

**Please keep an eye out, we will be announcing a new fundraising campaign soon.**

### Are you a BIG PAC Trustee?

If not, [contact Ryan](#) and get signed up today!



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## Renewing Members

### 30+ Years

Contract Furnishings Mart  
Davis Landscape LLC  
DWP General Contracting Inc.  
Prairie Electric Inc.

### 21-29 Years

Advanced Boring Specialists  
Cole's Masonry Inc.  
Dan Jones Inc. dba Conveyor Trucks  
Iso-Quip Corporation  
Universal Drywall and Construction  
Vanport Mechanical Fire Sprinklers Inc.

### 11-20 Years

Acc-U-Set Construction Inc.  
ADK Electric Inc.  
Atlas Plumbing Contractors  
Biggs Insurance Services  
Clearwater Construction Inc.  
Doriot Construction  
Elite Woodworks Inc.  
Ferguson Enterprises  
Green Construction Inc.  
Haag & Shaw Inc.  
J R Merit Inc.  
Landscape Management & Services  
Specialized Pavement Marking Inc.  
Western Construction Services Inc.

### 6-10 Years

Alpha Iron LLC  
Commerce Company Investment  
Services The  
Heritage Enterprises  
Highway Specialties LLC (DBA KT  
Contracting)  
Jack Harroun Construction  
Karvonen Sand & Gravel Inc.  
Nylund Homes Inc.  
Polar Refrigeration Inc.  
Portland Electric LLC  
T & L Communications Inc.  
Tri-Tech Heating Inc.  
TroyCo Windows & Doors Inc.

### 1-5 Years

Advanced Contracting Inc.  
All Around Mechanical LLC  
Apex Mechanical  
Benson Industries Inc.  
Black Diamond Services LLC  
Cabinet Designs Unlimited Inc.  
Ecological Land Services  
Firestop Company LLC  
Heritage Bank  
Luxe Electric LLC  
Magna Construction Inc.  
Pacific Northwest Glass & Mirror  
Seven Peaks Homes LLC  
Walton Masonry LLC

# Membership Benefit Feature

BIA's Programs & Services add extra value to your membership!

## BIAW's Return on Industrial Insurance (R.O.I.I.)

In these uncertain times it is paramount that we rally as an industry to meet current challenges. BIAW's R.O.I.I. Select (Return on Industrial Insurance) program did just that this year. BIAW staff worked very hard to get our members their checks nearly 6 weeks early this year! We understand the strain builders and contractors are going through right now. We hope getting these refund checks out will help our members weather the COVID-19 storm. Our members have earned refunds on the amount they've paid into the workers' compensation system, through providing stellar jobsite safety. Safety is now more important than ever and our members have shown that they are committed to safety.

For BIA of Clark County, we will be handing out a total of 227 refund checks to our members. The total refund amount for BIA of Clark County members this year was over \$3.2 million dollars! Clearly our members have been using the R.O.I.I. program to its full potential.

R.O.I.I. Select, BIAW's retro group, is a safety incentive program with a simple goal: eliminate injuries through improvements in workplace safety and preventive strategies. However, if an employee is injured, help them get better quicker with a successful return to work experience. Do this and your business can earn a refund. Not only does R.O.I.I. give you strategies to improve jobsite safety, but representatives are there to help you through workers compensation claims if they arise. Think of these strategies as your first line of defense and BIAW representatives as the second.

Our R.O.I.I. program isn't just about saving your company money, but also providing support when you need it most. We invite you to join this money-saving program. It is not too late to enroll, get your application in before May 31st!

**To get started, fill out this [quick inquiry form](#).**

**For more detailed information on the R.O.I.I. Select program, visit [R.O.I.I. online](#) or [email Karen Hall](#).**



## Membership Questions?

Contact Karen Hall at [khall@biaofclarkcounty.org](mailto:khall@biaofclarkcounty.org)

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

**ADP Construction Inc.**

**Enthusiast Media Group**

**Lanz Industrial Welding Inc.**

**Mallory Safety & Supply**

**Technology Design Associates**

# BIA Events



## Sponsor a BIA Event

Sponsoring a BIA event is the perfect way to promote your company! We have plenty of options available:

- Member Dinner Meetings
- Golf Tournament presented by Lifetime Exteriors
- Summer New Homes Tour presented by Fairway Independent Mortgage
- Fall NW Natural New Homes Tour & NW Natural Chef, Hop & Vine
- Columbia Credit Union Remodeled Homes Tour presented by Contract Furnishings Mart & DeWils
- Turkey Shoot

Contact Danielle Kilian:  
[danielle@biaofclarkcounty.org](mailto:danielle@biaofclarkcounty.org)

**SBI**  
**Nothing but Networking**  
July 9 • 4:00-6:00 pm • Heathen Brewing (Salmon Creek)  
Sponsored by:  
**Cascade Flooring America**  
where friends send friends

**SBI**  
**Golf Tournament**  
presented by  
**Lifetime Exteriors**  
Celebrating 10 Years  
Friday, July 17 | 7:00 am | Club Green Meadows

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Enter your home in the Summer New Homes Tour

Submit a site for consideration for the 2021 NW Natural Parade of Homes

## BIA Members on the Local News



Ginn Group (pictured left) on Fox 12 Oregon:  
[view here](#)

Affinty Homes & Cascade Wire Works on KGW:  
[view here](#)

Evergreen Homes NW on Fox 12 Oregon:  
[view here](#)

## ICYMI:

[New Tradition Homes re-opens 45 home project sites](#)

[Return to construction in Clark County requires workarounds amid safety restrictions](#)

[Some construction projects in Washington can resume](#)

[Clark County school construction projects continue](#)

[Pacific Lifestyle Homes launches next "Giving House" in Ridgefield](#)

[2020 NW Natural Parade of Homes Cancelled](#)

[Clark County Building Inspectors shift routines during Stay-at-Home order](#)

## BIA of Clark County Launches Online PPE Store

Products are offered in bulk for a cost-savings to companies.

Featured products include thermometers, face coverings, disinfection wipes, gloves, and disposable shoe covers.

BIA members receive a promo code for \$25 off their first order.

[Download gift certificate](#) or use promo code: BIAMEMBER25

[\*\*GET PPE NOW\*\*](#)

## Construction will play role in economic recovery after pandemic

The home building industry will play a large role in the country's economic recovery because the industry generates jobs. The new estimates from NAHB show that building an average single-family home generates 2.90 jobs (measured in full-time equivalents; enough work to keep one worker employed for a year). Home building

generates jobs in a mix of industries (subcontractors, engineers, attorneys, mortgage brokers, bankers and more) and this will be crucial to boosting a healthy economy during a period of recovery.

[\*\*KEEP READING.\*\*](#)

# NAHB & BIAW Updates

## Builder Credit Tightens on Virus Concerns

For the first time since 2012, builders and developers reported overall tighter credit conditions on loans for land acquisition, development and single-family construction (AD&C) in NAHB's AD&C financing survey for the first quarter of 2020. [Continue Reading.](#)

## Demand for Home Offices, Exercise Rooms Could Grow in Wake of Pandemic

Lockdown orders implemented across the United States to fight the spread of the coronavirus have given rise to more people working from home and engaging in other activities indoors that they would normally do in public spaces. With the major shift in where people spend their time, it is important to examine the data currently available on home buyers' preferences for home offices and exercise rooms, as demand for these specialty rooms may grow. [Continue Reading.](#)



[Unaffordable Prices Hold Back Prospective Home Buyers](#)

[HUD Allocates \\$1 Billion for Community COVID-19 Relief Efforts](#)

[Senate Confirms Brian Montgomery as Deputy Secretary of HUD](#)

[IRS Reverses Guidance on Employee Retention Tax Credit](#)

[New NAHB Video Toolbox Talk Provides Guidance on Coronavirus Safety](#)



[Watch Video: COVID with a Lawyer](#)

[Watch Video: Home Builders Work to Safely Re-open Washington's Economy](#)

[Job Site Safety Guidance & Required Signage](#)

[BIAW Scholarship Deadline Extended](#)



## Return on Industrial Insurance

You could get a refund on the premiums you pay into workers' compensation

The best way to save money and grow your bottom line is through enrolling in programs that give you a percentage of your money back. If you're committed to safety and to getting back a percentage of your workers' compensation premiums, contact Karen Hall today!

[INQUIRE ABOUT ENROLLING IN THE ROI PROGRAM](#)

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## BIA COUNCILS

Remodelers Council of Clark County

Green Building Council

# BIA Council Happenings

## Remodelers of Clark County

2nd Quarter ROCC meeting will be May 27th at 8am. Join the meeting to discuss committee strategy and goals.

[RSVP for Zoom Login Info](#)

## Green Building Council

Join the GBC at its next meeting

Tentatively scheduled for June 11 at 3:30 pm.

[RSVP now](#)

## Education Classes

June 17 & 18

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

**CESCL Certification**

June 19

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

**CESCL Re-certification**

August 18

8:00 am - 12:30 pm

**OSHA Fall Prevention Training (NAHB Free Class)**

**Clark County Community Development (Q1) Report Now Available! [Read now](#)**

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