

What's New

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Safety Milestone — 1,000,000 Hours Worked without a Lost-Time Injury at NASCAR Hall of Fame Project Site

The BE&K Building Group is pleased to announce that the team building the NASCAR Hall of Fame Museum, Convention Center Expansion and Parking Facility in Charlotte, North Carolina, has reached a safety milestone — 1,000,000 man-hours without experiencing a lost-time injury. The BE&K Building Group's Charlotte office is part of the Turner/BE&K/Davis tri-venture responsible for constructing this high-profile project for the City of Charlotte.

A special event to celebrate this construction safety achievement took place on August 13 at the project site in the heart of uptown Charlotte. The full-day safety symposium for subcontractors and staff included safety training classes for the project workforce; safety vendors with display tables; demonstrations of safety gear; and a recognition lunch with prize giveaways. "The celebration would not be possible without the commitment of each individual tradesperson that every day helps provide a workplace free of hazards and performs their activities with safety and quality as their primary mission," said Jim McIntyre, senior site safety manager for the Turner/BE&K/Davis team.

"Accomplishing this major milestone is a significant achievement in the eyes of the City," said Eric Bilsky, City of Charlotte project manager. "I want to personally thank the entire Turner/BE&K/Davis construction team for their dedication to safety and housekeeping. These core attributes are directly indicative of good workmanship and attention to detail that is required to have a successful construction project."

BE&K Building Group Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Luther Cochrane has been intimately involved in this project since its inception. "Bringing the Hall of Fame to Charlotte was a once in a lifetime opportunity for the city and we succeeded. Building the Hall of Fame — and building it safely — is just as challenging, and we are doing it! We are constructing this in a way that will make Charlotte, NASCAR and its fans proud. We are finishing the race safely."

About the BE&K Building Group — The BE&K Building Group, based in Charlotte, North Carolina, is a prominent construction services firm with an established track record for serving commercial, healthcare, industrial, and institutional clients throughout the Southeast, Mid-Atlantic and South Central regions. The BE&K Building Group, which has commercial operations in eight locations, is the exclusive commercial construction arm of KBR, a leading U.S. based engineering, construction and services company.

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Partnership Agreement with NC Department of Labor

The NASCAR Hall of Fame Museum and Convention Center Expansion is being constructed under a partnership agreement with the North Carolina Department of Labor, under which inspectors from the Occupational Safety and Health Division visit the project monthly.

"Reaching one million man-hours without a lost-work day is a significant accomplishment, especially on a construction project of this magnitude. This milestone is a testament to the success of our partnership with the Turner/BE&K/Davis team. I applaud their commitment to the safety of their workers."

— Cherie Berry
NC Labor Commissioner

Project at a Glance

- NASCAR Hall of Fame — a 140,000 sf entertainment attraction and museum
- 102,000 sf expansion to the City of Charlotte's Convention Center — includes a new 40,000 sf ballroom with seating capacity for over 5,000
- New Parking Garage — accommodates more than 1,000 vehicles

The NASCAR Hall of Fame Museum is scheduled to open May 2010.



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