

WHAT CAN BIAGC MEMBERSHIP DO FOR YOU?



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Membership in your homebuilders association is the greatest investment you can make. That's a guarantee.

Is Membership for Me?

You probably have a ton of questions about WHY you should join our association. Why should you invest the time and money into this organization? What are you going to get out of your membership? Where's the value? How can membership help you grow your business? We know that the decision to become a member of your Home Builders Association (HBA) is a big one. The decision to join is one you need to make if you want to stay on top of industry trends, gain invaluable education and make the connections you'll need to stay competitive in today's marketplace. ***Our association is here to help your business and our industry move forward and stay strong.***

Half the battle of tackling change is preparing for it. The solution is your HBA.

We are the driving force behind our respective local home building industries. Our members reach higher, work together, and achieve more collectively than they ever could alone. They are leaders, learners, innovators and facilitators behind the stabilization and growth of our local building industries. Interested in joining? ***If you are a builder, remodeler or work in an associated field, you should be.***

As a member, your benefits are tangible. They range from business-building resources to money-saving discounts to an effective grassroots network that shapes the views of our elected officials and law-makers. Whether you aim to enhance your competency in the functional management of your business, develop your professional reputation or add your voice to the chorus of members who truly understand our environment – membership provides you with unparalleled access to these opportunities and more.

Make Lifetime Connections

Nobody understands your business like our members. Through your membership, you'll have the ***opportunity to build relationship with peers*** who know what it takes to succeed in this industry. Whether it's taking an active role in your local association or learning about what's new in the industry at the International Builders' Show, membership puts you in a position to build lasting relationships with the people who can help you and your business thrive. Our association is dedicated to promoting, protecting and strengthening our local home building markets and those who work within them to ensure that we are, independently and collectively, a viable economic engine of growth now and in the future.

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STATE

**As a member of your local association,
you are also a member of the
Home Builders Association of Illinois.**

In these uncertain and challenging times, the home builders association remains steadfast and committed to its members, offering a comprehensive and diverse range of members-only programs and services.

With decades of experience uniting thousands of residential and light commercial builders, developers and remodelers, their associates, subcontractors and related stakeholders – membership in the home builders association presents an opportunity for your business you won't find elsewhere: the power and unity of our large and compelling membership base. We do business together, and create business together.

Just as you are committed to results in your own work, we are committed to results for the building and remodeling industry at the state level. Through the tireless dedication of our leadership, our managers, and the experience and connectedness we bring to the table, we unite members statewide to create lasting communities and sustainable revenues.

Together members collaborate, plan and maneuver toward a balanced statewide legislative, regulatory and judicial public policy. We help align a public relations strategy to elevate public appreciation of housing and those who provide it, we foster community cooperation, generate revenue, and serve the members in many ways.

Together with the local and national associations, the state association provides critical connections and capabilities that add consistently reliable value to every member's investment in the 3-in-1 membership nexus.



NATIONAL

**Your membership goes all the way to Washington.
You are also a member of the National Association of
Home Builders, and your local-state-national network
is behind you every step of the way.**

Members benefit from the strength of NAHB's brand: credibility with consumers, reliability in service. You have not just one proven partner working for you, but three. And there's more than that: you have the upper hand over your non-member competitor's.

In good years and in bad, you can count on NAHB's keen focus on five central goals all aimed at providing our industry the stability to move forward:

- A balanced national legislative, regulatory and judicial public policy;
- A measured-media strategy to elevate public appreciation for the importance of housing and those who provide it;
- Consistency in acquiring and developing new and varied streams of intelligence;
- Ensuring that in any economic climate our members are free to operate on a playing field that affords them gainful opportunities to improve their businesses; and
- Maintaining a commitment to the effective management and cultivation of outstanding member leaders and managers who give us durable competitive advantage.

Primarily, NAHB works with lawmakers on Capital Hill to craft regulatory and legislative policies that are fair to our industry, and keeps members informed on what to expect and how best to exploit the circumstances. NAHB leverages the power of members in local associations across the country, more than 160,000 to effectively lobby on our behalf.

When you become a member, you give as much back to the industry as you receive in terms of connections, benefits and discounts. By adding your name to the roster of members who are mobilized to revive and reinvent housing, you back the most significant tool our industry has, the local-state-national cooperative. Also, you reap the rewards designed to produce and educate the most effective generation of builders our country has ever known.



WHAT WE DO

The BIAGC is leading the building industry, creating and strengthening neighborhoods, providing economic growth and advancing the education and professionalism of our members to benefit our community.

The Building Industry Association of Greater Chicago was established in 1939, is the longest standing BIA in the nation and is constantly evolving as the people it serves and the times it operates in demand. The BIAGC represents the interest of those involved in the new home, remodeling, light commercial building industries and their consumers. The BIAGC's members are general contractors, suppliers, trade contractors and other support services like engineers, title companies, lenders and more.

The BIAGC Leads the Building Industry

The BIAGC comments on and affects change on every issue related to the industry from building codes, subdivision regulations, environmental regulations, zoning, land use, utility line extension policies, etc. The **BIAGC** has standing committees on both Land Use, Environmental and Utility Policy, Sustainability and Building Codes. The **BIAGC**, through its federation of the local, state and national associations, tracks every issue of importance to you.

Creating and Strengthening Neighborhoods

BIAGC members develop land, build homes and the results are that they create neighborhoods, where people live and where families are raised. A special interest council of the BIAGC, the Professional Remodelers Council, represents the remodeling industry and through their members they remodel and update older neighborhoods thus help strengthen neighborhoods.

Providing Economic Growth

Though many of us resist change, change is inevitable and growth is the engine of our economy. The building industry is a large part of our economy. Every new home provides two full time jobs based on economic models. Every new home has as many as two hundred service providers, suppliers and tradesmen that actually work on each home. Every new home not only pays real estate taxes but ultimately increases property taxes and values across a broader community. Each homeowner is paying income taxes that support schools, safety forces and other levies that may be on your taxes such as park districts and agencies that help those with various afflictions or dependencies.

Advancing the Education and Professionalism of our Members

The **BIAGC** offers a myriad of certification programs, local workshops, peer to peer learning and national webinars on a host of topics all aimed at making their members better business people and educated as to the latest trends, products and building methods. Members are constantly encouraged to increase their skill set. The BIA gives you the opportunity to expand your network of friends, business contacts and mentors.

To Benefit Our Community

Yes, the BIAGC and its members benefit their community not only through their building of neighborhoods but also by volunteering in their community through programs such as Habitat for Humanity, Designs for Dignity, Chrysalis Foundation, and the many other charities the HBAGC has been involved with over the years. The BIAGC can teach you to be a leader by participating and chairing committees or serving in BIAGC leadership positions.

The BIAGC gives you the opportunity to help shape the future of the housing industry and you get in on the ground floor.

BECOME A MEMBER TODAY