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Message from Chair Kent Lay

It's difficult to think of the changes we've endured as a society in recent months and the heightened concerns we've all experienced as a result. While I am confident every member within the construction industry was grateful to learn construction remained an essential business in Nevada, it does not make us immune from the impacts being experienced across our state and nation.

Our lives have been altered overnight in unprecedented ways. Families are facing hardships they never thought they would encounter, while businesses are forced to make critical decisions and modify business models to preserve their ability to operate.

The Nevada State Contractors Board empathizes with the stresses everyone is under, which is why we have tried to keep our operations as normal and consistent as possible during this fluctuating time.

We are grateful for the information being shared by industry groups across the state to ensure contractors are kept informed of the health and safety directives stemming from the pandemic; even going so far as to donate time and resources to assist with compliance initiatives.



It is times like this where our sense of community unites us in ways rarely required. As our state faces uncertain times, members of our industry have taken it upon themselves to provide for the public in meaningful ways. By delivering food to healthcare workers and donating PPE equipment to those whose supply ran short, our industry has demonstrated its value and purpose beyond constructing and maintaining the buildings and infrastructure of our state.

As we move forward in this journey to redefine "normal," I want to encourage everyone who is able, to continue giving back to our most vulnerable populations. The communities we build and maintain with our own hands deserve to know we care about them once our work is done.

It is not the size of action taken that matters, but the impact it leaves behind. Checking on a neighbor who is elderly or reaching out to a single parent or a household dealing with job loss are no cost opportunities to spread positivity. For those with resources available, reaching out to local nonprofits to see what assistance they need or donating your expertise and services to a struggling business can help eliminate one of many concerns on their plate.

To say I am proud of our industry would be an understatement. We have weathered similar storms in the past, and we have proven we not only come back stronger, but wiser and more prepared.

As Ms. Grein will share with you in her message, our Board has taken quick action to modify processes, expand avenues to meet customers' needs, and adapt to the directives facing us all during this time.

Endurance and perseverance are what best define the industry we call home. Whatever your circumstance, I hope you find ways to stay positive and most importantly, stay healthy.

Message From Executive Officer Margi Grein

In all my years as Executive Officer, I can honestly say this has been the most interesting and unexpected third quarter in the history of the Board. What started with the excitement of a new decade and progression of milestone projects, ended with uncertainty and worry as we tried to process information that affected both our personal and professional lives in a variety of ways.

The beginning of the quarter welcomed the development of our online licensing application, which will help improve application processing times through enhanced automated features and document submittal. Although the testing phase for the new application has been postponed, we hope to be able to resume the project before the end of the year.

We also worked closely with the Nevada Construction Industry Relations Committee to update the Blue Book reference guide, which you can access on the Board's website: [2020 Blue Book](#). The changes reflect current statutory and regulatory requirements of the participating jurisdictions.

Our efforts to promote integrity and confidence within the construction industry is being furthered through the recent collaboration with Nevada's Labor Commissioner on the creation of a Joint Labor Task Force. During the quarter, we held productive meetings with representatives from Nevada's Taxation Department, which helped to further identify opportunities for information sharing,



coordinated investigations, and outreach opportunities to educate contractors on various compliance expectations. We also gained insights from a similar task force in California, which has been operating for several years. The information gathered will continue to shape the strategies and goals of Nevada's Task Force in the months to come.

I am also proud our Board was able to partner with the Las Vegas NAWIC chapter on our first Hammers & Hope event in March, which is featured on the next page. This was a unique opportunity to bring women together, connect them with women in the industry, all while inspiring and encouraging them to pursue lasting careers in construction.

Despite the challenges our industry has faced over the past decade and those that remain ahead of us, construction remains a vital component to the success of our State. Like many of our licensees, the Board found itself

making significant changes in the ways it conducts business and provides services to each of our customers.

Integrating telework into our daily schedules was a priority - not only for the safety of our staff, but also to ensure our customers' needs continued to be met. And while the public could no longer access the lobby areas of our buildings, we made drop box services, designated e-mail accounts, and phone response a primary component of our interactions. We also provided information to the industry through Industry Bulletins and updated our website homepage to include the most current information regarding our operations and how to access resources and services.

In consideration of the impacts being felt across the industry, we extended deadlines for various licensing requirements, streamlined some of our application processes, and waived certain fees to best accommodate our customers.

We have been grateful for the opportunity to serve each of our customers during this time. But more importantly, I am honored to represent an industry that defines what it means to be a member of a community. I commend each of you for the efforts you have made to assist those in need, donate services, and go above and beyond your own resources to ensure those around you are taken care of. We will get through this.

Margi A. Grein

Hammers & Hope Event Inspires Women

On March 5, 2020, the Contractors Board hosted its first Hammers and Hope event in partnership with the National Association of Women in Construction, Las Vegas Chapter, at the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada. The event aligned with the National Women in Construction Week and greeted more than 200 women driven to join the construction industry.

The event offered a variety of platforms for attendees to receive information, including a keynote speaker, expert panel discussion, mentor breakout groups, and construction career resource tables where information on apprenticeship programs, training opportunities, and career connections were made available to all who sought their services.

Unlike standard career fairs, the Board's event provided a unique and much appreciated format allowing personalized interaction with industry professionals and direct feedback for those with thoughtful questions.



Licensing Department

NSCB's Licensing Department is responsible for processing license applications and ensuring all necessary qualifications are met. Applicants are encouraged to attend the Board's Business Assistance Program offered once a month in each of the Board's offices, which guides applicants through key areas of the application, experience qualifications, and exam and bonding requirements.

January 1 - March 31

New License Applications	575
Issued Licenses	312
Change Applications	678
Active Licenses	16,414
Inactive Licenses	464
Placed on Inactive Status	31
Voluntary Surrender	54
Licenses Cancelled not Renewed	127

January 1 - March 31

License Suspensions (no bond)	144
Active License Renewals	1,893
Inactive License Renewals	50
Application Denial Hearings	9
Financial Responsibility Hearings	2
CMS Exams	319
Trade Exams	342
Single Project Limit Increases	26

LICENSES ISSUED BY CLASSIFICATION

Primary Classification		3rd Qtr 19-20		
		In-State	Out-of-State	Total
A	General Engineering	21	21	42
B	General Building	38	28	66
C-1	Heating & Plumbing	18	3	21
C-2	Electrical	25	8	33
C-3	Carpentry, Maintenance & Minor Repair	23	4	27
C-4	Painting & Decorating	8	4	12
C-5	Concrete Contracting	13	4	17
C-6	Erecting Signs	1	2	3
C-7	Elevation & Conveyance		1	1
C-8	Glass & Glazing	5	2	7
C10	Landscape Contracting	8		8
C13	Using Sheet Metal		1	1
C14	Steel Reinforcing & Erection	9	5	14
C15	Roofing & Siding	1		1
C16	Finishing Floors	7	2	9
C17	Lathing & Plastering	5	1	6
C18	Masonry	5	1	6
C19	Installing Terrazzo & Marble	3	3	6
C20	Tiling	5		5
C21	Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	10	3	13
C23	Drilling Wells & Installing Pumps, Pressure Tanks & Storage Tanks	1		1
C24	Erecting Scaffolding & Bleachers		1	1
C25	Fencing & Equipping Playgrounds	1		1
C26	Institutional Contracting	1		1
C31	Wrecking	1		1
C36	Installing Urethane	1		1
C40	Specialties Not Authorized by Other Classifications	1	1	2
C41	Fire Protection	5	1	6
TOTAL		216 (69%)	96 (31%)	312

Licensing Department

During the 3rd quarter, 1,193 licenses were renewed online, representing 60% of all license renewals for the reporting period and a 60% increase in online renewals from the previous biennial period. The Board also welcomed 436 new online registrations, bringing the total number of licensees registered to use online services up to 7,639.

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The screenshot shows the 'Online License Renewal' page with a navigation bar at the top containing 'Home', 'License Searches', 'Agendas & Minutes', 'Applying for a License', and 'Online License Renewal'. The main content area includes a 'Links' box with two links: 'Online License Renewal Login' and 'Registration Instructions (Written Instructional Guide for Creating an Online Account)'. A blue arrow points to the 'Registration Instructions' link.



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Investigations Department

NSCB's Investigations Department responds to all complaints against licensed and unlicensed contractors. The Board assists homeowners and licensed contractors with contracting matters, such as workmanship issues, abandonment, money owing complaints, violations of industry regulations, and allegations of fraudulent construction activities. After gathering evidence against unlicensed contractors, the Board may issue an Administrative Citation or may submit a case to the local district attorney, who may file and prosecute misdemeanor, gross misdemeanor or felony charges.

JANUARY 1 - MARCH 31

671 Complaints Opened

- 180 Workmanship
- 156 Unlawful Advertising
- 155 Contracting without a License
- 127 Industrial Regulation
- 52 Money Owing
- 1 Criminal Fraud

95 Citations Issued

- 44 Administrative citations issued to licensed contractors
 - \$62,350 fines; \$15,562 costs
- 51 Administrative citations issued to unlicensed contractors
 - \$86,800 fines; \$21,986 costs

JANUARY 1 - MARCH 31

33 Disciplinary Hearings

- 14 Licenses revoked
- 23 Cases assessed fines & costs
 - \$115,200 fines; \$26,582 costs

41 Criminal affidavits filed with district attorneys' offices

85 Cease & Desist Orders issued to unlicensed contractors

Unlicensed Contractors Cited Based on Trade Classification

Primary Classification	# Unlicensed Cited
B-2 Residential & Small Commercial	13
C-3 Carpentry, Maintenance & Minor Repair	9
A-10 Commercial & Residential Pools	5
C-1 Plumbing & Heating	4
C-5 Concrete Contracting	4
C-4 Painting & Decorating	3
C-10 Landscape Contracting	3
C-2 Electrical	2
C-15; C-16; Roofing & Siding; Finishing Floors C-18; C-19; Masonry; Installing Terrazzo & Marble C-20; C-25; Tiling; Fencing & Equipping Playgrounds C-40 Specialties Not Authorized by Other Classifications	1 Each

Applicant Submittals	871
Applicants with criminal conviction(s)	236
Applicants without criminal conviction(s)	635
Criminal Histories	27%

Background Investigations & Applicant Interviews Help Improve Application Process

During the reporting period 47 background investigations were initiated with 12 investigations pending and 52 investigations closed. Five administrative citations were issued for misrepresentation resulting in fines totaling \$3,500 and costs totaling \$1,345.

During the 3rd quarter, the Investigations Department conducted 18 interviews with applicants whose background included criminal history. All 18 applicants were subsequently recommended for approval of licensure.

Investigation leads to DA referral

A comprehensive Nevada Contractors Board investigation led to a significant fine and referral for criminal charges against the owner of a northern Nevada contracting business. Administrative Law Judge Noah Allison, presiding over the Board's January 22 disciplinary hearing against Reno Patio & Fireplaces, found the company and owner Richard Taylor in violation of several provisions of Nevada's construction law. He ordered Taylor to pay more than \$72,000 in fines in addition to the cost of conducting the investigation. Moreover, noting that "I do find the matter of significant public concern," Allison directed the Board's findings be turned over to the Washoe County District Attorney's office, with the recommendation it open a criminal inquiry.

The Board's investigation began in November 2019 when it received six complaints against the company, which is also known as Affordable Patios & Sunrooms. That led the Board to exercise its authority to summarily suspend the company's contractor's license, barring it from conducting further business.

Since then, the number of complaints against the company grew to more than 30. Many of those alleged victims attended the January 22 hearing at the Contractors Board's Reno office. Allison revoked Affordable Patios & Sunrooms, dba Reno Patio & Fireplaces, licenses 56075 (prefabricated structures; awnings and louvres), 71993 (installing heaters) and 72332 (carpentry, maintenance, and minor repairs). The decision came after he found the company committed 32 violations, including failure to comply with the terms of a contract, abandoning construction projects without legal excuse, abandonment of projects when the completed portion is less than payment received, failure to prosecute construction projects with reasonable diligence, diversion of money or property, bidding in excess of the license limit and substandard workmanship.



Allison's referral to the Washoe District Attorney's office and Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles was based partly on a witness telling a Board investigator that Taylor used money obtained from his construction business in his other endeavor, Mill Street Auto, which is also closed.

Taylor has filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy with the agreement that future profits will be used to pay off creditors, including Reno Patio & Fireplaces victims. A bankruptcy court hearing in early March revealed that there is a \$1.4 million offer for the business's office building. Victims of Affordable Patios & Sunrooms may be eligible for the Contractors Board's Residential Recovery Fund.

The fund is available to Nevada owners of single-family residences who conduct business with licensed contractors for the performance of any construction, remodeling, repair or improvement project. Owners must occupy the residence to qualify. An applicant's eligibility to receive funds is determined after an investigation is conducted by the NSCB. The State Legislature established the fund in 1999 to give homeowners additional protections.

CARES Act aids Nevada contractors

The COVID-19 pandemic poses an existential challenge for many businesses. The construction profession is particularly vulnerable as families, manufacturers, retail outlets, and local governments postpone construction of houses, factories, stores, and infrastructure. While there may be a long road ahead, the federal government has implemented programs that could help construction companies and workers survive.

Congress was quick to pass a massive economic stimulus package just as the COVID-19 outbreak gained steam. President Trump signed the \$2 trillion CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act on March 27. In addition to direct-family relief, CARES contains important provisions that will fund businesses hit by the slowdown. Many Nevada contractors may qualify for money that can compensate them for project shutdowns, material shortages, and mounting expenses.

SBA LOAN

The “Paycheck Protection Program” operated through the Small Business Administration provides relief to business owners, which may not have to be paid back if funds are used for designated purposes.

Companies with fewer than 500 employees may qualify for the SBA loan – that includes general contractors, specialty contractors, suppliers and other businesses that depend on construction.

Unfortunately, overwhelming demand led to the original Paycheck Protection funding running dry in a matter of days. However, Congress replenished funding in late April. Nevada contractors who did not receive a loan during the first round are encouraged to apply immediately if they are in need.

The new round of funding adds more than \$300 billion to loan programs, including \$60 billion earmarked for smaller lenders who deal with companies that may not have access to large



investment banks.

Like the original funding, the new Paycheck Protection boost starts as a loan of up to \$10 million, depending on the company’s payroll and employee numbers. The federal government guarantees 100 percent of the loans through December 31, which are intended to pay for wages and salaries, health insurance premiums and other employee benefits, rent, interest, utilities and other costs to keep the company’s doors open. There are a few caveats to keep in mind:

- Only the first eight weeks of allowable expenses covered by the loan will be forgiven. Loan monies used beyond eight weeks of the origination date are subject to repayment and interest.
- Companies will have to prove the money was used in accordance with the rules. Contractors will need meticulous records showing where the funds were allocated.
- Recipients cannot cut staff, hours, wages or salaries. The money cannot be used to pay

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employees who earn \$100,000 or more. If you use some of the loan money to rehire workers who were laid off in the wake of the pandemic, you will not be penalized.

- Only businesses that were up and running by February 15 are eligible.

OTHER LOANS

Under the CARES Act, SBA also has expanded its disaster loan program. Now small businesses can access up to \$10,000 to use for emergencies such as payroll, supply costs, rent, and loan repayments.

Larger companies and those that don't qualify for SBA assistance can access the Act's Exchange Stabilization Fund Loan Program. The government has set aside more than \$450 billion for use as loan, investments, and loan guarantees for companies with 500 to 10,000 employees that cannot obtain other funding. These moneys also are subject to several requirements, including, but not limited to:

- Companies must retain at least 90 percent of their workforces.
- They may not outsource jobs domestically or overseas for the two-year loan term.
- Union shops may not abrogate collective bargaining agreements for four years; and open shops may not oppose union organization movements during the loan term.
- The loan must be repaid; there is no provision for forgiveness.

INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

CARES is aimed at maintaining business continuity and paying America's workers. It is not intended to spark economic growth through infrastructure projects. Still, the Act contains some funding that could bring work for Nevada contractors.

The COVID-19 outbreak will require construction of additional healthcare facilities and other critical projects to help mobilize efforts to combat the virus. In addition, the Act allocates funding to several federal agencies for

use in disease research, supply chain continuity, transportation and logistics. All these initiatives will require facilities and logistical support that must be built. Construction and maintenance is a major component of and partner with many of the nation's critical industries, such as energy, defense, manufacturing and agriculture. For example, the Act earmarks \$3.9 billion for advanced biomedical research and development and manufacturing facilities and the modification of hospitals and nursing homes. Another \$111 million is set aside for use by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

PREPARING FOR RECOVERY

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way Nevadans will do business in the future. While the virus has ushered in a new era of remote work possibilities, construction, of course, must take place onsite. Still, much of the construction "office" work could be performed from home. Billing, ordering, payroll, marketing, and other functions may become more productive and less costly using remote technology. Advanced construction companies will expand their use of communications software, project management platforms, and process automation facilitators well after the current health threat has passed.

CARES Act makes money available to community partners who want to establish training programs, consultancies, and educational curriculum to teach businesses how to use these resources. Using these funds, it is anticipated organizations may be able to offer training classes and materials at discounted rates. If your construction company experiences a reduction in business activities as a result of COVID-19, now may be the perfect time to upskill your office personnel and invest in technology that will allow you to gain more business, cut costs, and improve proficiency when the economy recovers.

Sources for this article include:

- [U.S. Department of Treasury: The CARES Act Provides Assistance to Small Businesses](#)
- [JD Supra: The CARES Act Update - Paycheck Protection Program](#)



While construction is exempt from mandatory workplace shutdowns and shelter-in-place orders, it is imperative that workers maintain a minimum of 6-foot distance to prevent the spread of the virus.

COVID-19 construction guidelines

While the impact to Nevada's construction industry remains fully unknown at this time, many of Nevada's current projects are continuing. Governor Steve Sisolak exempted construction from his mandatory shutdown of non-essential state businesses, keeping thousands of construction workers on the job in the near term. While we know construction is, indeed, vital to Nevada's economy, security, and future success, the Nevada State Contractors Board urges all workers to observe social distancing, hygiene, and other protocols to help overcome the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sisolak has created a construction industry task force charged with ensuring the safety of

construction employees in offices and jobsites. The task force will examine best practices contractors can implement to guard against the spread of COVID-19 and compile evidence of compliance with the Governor's guidelines to ensure construction activity can continue in the state. Sisolak issued a memorandum on March 18 in conjunction with his order that non-essential business cease operations. The memo contains guidelines for construction businesses to follow. The document notes, "The governor has tasked every business and business sector with the responsibility to do whatever it can to address the historic public health issue."

It lists social distancing protocols and

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procedures that construction companies must follow, including:

- Restrict meetings, safety meetings/tailgate talks, and gatherings to no more than 10 people.
- Establish effective social distancing protocols, which ensure that staff maintain a 6-foot personal separation from other staff during meetings, discussions, etc. where 10 people or less are present.
- Ensure that social distancing protocols are maintained during operation of mobile service equipment designed for two or more passengers.
- Provide sanitation and cleaning supplies for addressing common surfaces in multiple-user mobile equipment and multiple user tooling.
- Maintain 6-foot separation protocols for labor transportation services.
- Conduct daily surveys of changes to staff/labor health conditions.
- Ensure that any identified first responders in the labor force are provided and use the needed Personal Protective Equipment and gear for protection from communicable or infectious disease.
- Provide access to potable and sanitary water.

For the most current information and additional workplace safety guidelines, please visit: <http://dir.nv.gov/OSHA/Home/>

Sources for this article include:

- *Nevada Department of Business & Industry, DIR, OSHA March 26, 2020 Memorandum*



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Board revokes, fines licensees

The Nevada State Contractors Board took disciplinary action against licensed contractors for violations of Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 624 during its January, February and March hearings.

Affordable Patios & Sunrooms, dba Reno Patio & Fireplaces, license numbers 56075 (prefabricated structures; awnings and louvres), 71993 (installing heaters) and 72332 (carpentry, maintenance, and minor repairs) based out of Sparks, Nev., were found in violation for failure to comply with the terms of a contract, abandoning construction projects without legal excuse, abandonment of projects when the completed portion is less than payment received, failure to prosecute construction projects with reasonable diligence, diversion of money or property, failure to establish financial responsibility, failure to comply with a notice to correct, bidding in excess of the license limit, substandard workmanship, and failure to comply with a Board request for information. The licenses were revoked. Licensee was fined \$72,750. The Board referred the case to the Washoe County District Attorney's office for possible prosecution.

Revolution General Contractors, LLC, license numbers 79994 (general building), 80777 (carpentry, maintenance, and minor repairs), 80778 (painting and decorating), and 80779 (roofing and siding) based out of Las Vegas, Nev., were found in violation for disregard of the state's industrial insurance laws, failure to establish financial responsibility, failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit, and failure to notify the Board of a change in address or personnel. The licenses were revoked. Licensee was fined \$2,250 and assessed investigative costs.

Allegheny Design Management, Inc., license number 46482 (general building) based out of Vandergrift, Penn., was found in violation

for diversion of money or property, failure to pay for materials or services, failure to obtain the discharge of a release or lien, failure to establish financial responsibility, failure to comply with the Board's regulations and failure to comply with a Board request for information or records. The license was revoked. Licensee was fined \$3,300, assessed investigative costs and ordered to pay restitution of \$14,000.

Prestige Tile Works, LLC, license number 78246 (tiling) based out of Las Vegas, Nev. was found in violation for failure to comply with a written request from the Board, failure to comply with the state's workers' compensation laws, contracting with a suspended license, and failure to establish financial responsibility. The license was revoked. Licensee was fined \$1,750 and assessed investigative costs.

IMC Industries, LLC, license numbers 74233 (residential and small commercial) and 80477 (painting and decorating) based out of Las Vegas, Nev., were reconsidered and the license revocations as a discipline were removed.

Lowes Home Centers, LLC, license number 79079 (residential and small commercial) based out of Wilkesboro, N.C., was found in violation for failure to comply with a notice to correct, failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint and failure to provide a list of subcontractors or suppliers. Licensee was fined \$1,250 and assessed investigative costs.

Certified Interiors, Inc., license number 45535A (painting; drywall) based out of Las Vegas, Nev., was found in violation for failure to pay for materials or services, failure to establish financial responsibility, failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit, failure to respond to a Board request for information or records and failure to cooperate in the investigation of a com-

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plaint. The license was revoked. Licensee was fined \$2,500 and assessed investigative costs.

Bottari Construction, license number 37459 (residential and small commercial) based out of Lamoille, Nev., was found in violation for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; disregard of plans, specifications, or regulations; failure to disclose subcontractors, suppliers, or lien information in a contract; failure to include Residential Recovery Fund information in a contract; and failure to include the license number or monetary limit on a bid or contract. The license limit was reduced to \$650,000, and the matter was continued.

Anthony Enterprises, Inc., dba Anthony Roofing & Waterproofing, license number 70415 (roofing and siding) based out of Pahrump, Nev., was found in violation for failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to comply with the provisions of the Board; failure to include the license number and monetary limit on a bid or contract; committing a fraudulent or deceitful act; and failure to comply with an order from the Board. The license was revoked. Licensee was fined \$9,750 and assessed investigative costs.

EMC Construction, LLC, license number 82027 (residential and small commercial; speculative building) based out of Minden, Nev., was found in violation for failure to complete a project for the contracted price, failure to comply with a notice to correct, disregard of the state's building laws, failure to include Residential Recovery Fund information in a contract, aiding or abetting an unlicensed person, engaging a contractor beyond his or her license scope or monetary limit and substandard workmanship. Licensee was fined \$4,700 and assessed investigative costs.

Fresh Designs Construction, LLC, license number 81662 (residential and small com-

mercial) based out of North Las Vegas, Nev., was found in violation for disregard of building laws; contracting beyond the scope of the license; and substandard workmanship. Licensee was fined \$2,000 and assessed investigative costs.

Renovations of Las Vegas, Inc., license number 72107 (residential and small commercial; commercial remodeling) based out of Las Vegas, Nev., was found in violation for failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to include the license number and monetary limit on a bid or contract; bidding in excess of the monetary limit; and substandard workmanship. Licensee was fined \$2,100 and assessed investigative costs.

Big Dog Custom Works, LLC, license number 77634 (carpentry maintenance and minor repairs) based out of Beatty, Nev., was found in violation for failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to include the license number and monetary limit on a contract; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to include Residential Recovery Fund information on a contract; contracting beyond the scope of the license; bidding in excess of the monetary limit; substandard workmanship; and failure to comply with a Board request for information. The license was revoked. Licensee was fined \$8,000 and assessed investigative costs.

Moseley's Plumbing & Heating, license numbers 78195 (plumbing and heating) and 79753 (air conditioning) based out of Reno, Nev., was found in violation for failure to obtain a building permit, failure to establish financial responsibility, failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit, contracting beyond the scope of the license, substandard workmanship and failure to comply with a request for information or records. The licenses were revoked. Licensee was fined \$4,550 and assessed investigative costs.

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Sparhawk Metals, Inc., dba Sparhawk Metals, license number 64349 (steel reinforcing and erection) based out of Lockwood, Nev., was found in violation for failure to establish financial responsibility and failure to comply with a written request from the Board. The license was revoked. Licensee was fined \$750 and assessed investigative costs.

Randolph Lyn Hanson, dba Randolph Hanson Construction, license numbers 77823 (residential and small commercial; speculative building), 77987 (excavating, grading, trenching and surfacing) and 81484 (tiling) based out of Reno, Nev., was found in violation for failure to include the license number or monetary limit on a bid or contract and contracting beyond the scope of the license. Licensee was fined \$300 and assessed investigative costs.

The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through licensing and regulation of the construction industry. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, a licensee is subject to disciplinary

action by the Board for failure to comply with the requirements of the laws or regulations governing contractors. Violations may result in Board action against the contractor's license. The State Contractors Board has the power to regulate contractors and discipline licensees who violate NRS 624. Disciplinary action may consist of a fine, order corrective action, suspension, revocation or other action.

NRS 624.212(7) allows an unlicensed individual who was issued a cease and desist order to petition the Board in writing to lift or alter the order within 15 days after receiving the cease and desist order. Upon receipt of this request, the Board will schedule an administrative hearing to review the facts and make a determination on the validity of the cease and desist order and assess any fines or costs that may be associated with the investigation.

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Paycheck Protection Program

An SBA loan that helps businesses keep their workforce employed during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis.

- **Loan Information**

The Paycheck Protection Program is a loan designed to provide a direct incentive for small businesses to keep their workers on the payroll.

SBA will forgive loans if all employees are kept on the payroll for eight weeks and the money is used for payroll, rent, mortgage interest, or utilities.

You can apply through any existing SBA 7(a) lender or through any federally insured depository institution, federally insured credit union, and Farm Credit System institution that is participating. Other regulated lenders will be available to make these loans once they are approved and enrolled in the program. You should consult with your local lender as to whether it is participating in the program.

Lenders may begin processing loan applications as soon as April 3, 2020. The Paycheck Protection Program will be available through June 30, 2020.

- **For affiliation rules applicable for the Paycheck Protection Program, [click here](#).**

- The **[Interim Final Rule for Applicable Affiliation Rules](#)** for Applicable Affiliation Rules for the Paycheck Protection Program information is being posted in advance of publication in the Federal Register. The official version will appear in the Federal Register.

- **[Frequently Asked Questions for Faith-Based Organizations Participating in the Paycheck Protection Program and Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program](#)**

- **Who Can Apply**

This program is for any small business with less than 500 employees (including sole proprietorships, independent contractors and self-employed persons), private non-profit organization or 501(c)(19) veterans organizations affected by coronavirus/COVID-19.

Businesses in certain industries may have more than 500 employees if they meet the SBA's size standards for those industries.

Small businesses in the hospitality and food industry with more than one location could also be eligible if their individual locations employ less than 500 workers.

- **Loan Details and Forgiveness**

The loan will be fully forgiven if the funds are used for payroll costs, interest on mortgages, rent, and utilities (due to likely high subscription, at least 75% of the forgiven amount must have been used for payroll). Loan payments will also be deferred for six months. No collateral or personal guarantees are required. Neither the government nor lenders will charge small businesses any fees.

Forgiveness is based on the employer maintaining or quickly rehiring employees and maintaining salary levels. Forgiveness will be reduced if full-time headcount declines, or if salaries and wages decrease.

This loan has a maturity of 2 years and an interest rate of 1%.

If you wish to begin preparing your application, you can download a copy of the PPP borrower application form to see the information that will be requested from you when you apply with a lender.

- **Other Assistance**

In response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, small business owners in all U.S. states, Washington D.C., and territories are currently eligible to **[apply for disaster assistance](#)**.

[Enhanced Debt Relief](#) is also available in SBA's other business loan programs to help small businesses overcome the challenges created by this health crisis.

- **For information on additional Lending options, please [click here](#).**

SBA provides local assistance via 68 district offices and a nationwide network of resource partners. To find resources near you, please **[click here](#)**.

- **Lender Forms and Guidance**

[The Interim Final Rule](#) announcing the Paycheck Protection Program information is being posted in advance of publication in the Federal Register. The official version will appear in the Federal Register. **[Click here](#)** to download.

- **[Click here](#)** to download the Paycheck Protection Program Lender Application Form. Lenders who need assistance accessing SBA's E-Tran system to process loan guarantee requests may call our Lender Customer Service Line at 1-833-572-0502.

- **[Click here](#)** to view the Lender Agreement and enroll as a participating SBA Lender to make Paycheck Protection Program financing available to your customers.

FOR QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AT (702) 388-6611

Continued Education & Training

The Nevada State Contractors Board understands the importance of continued education and training to stay current with new technologies and construction methods. If you are interested in furthering your education and training your employees, please view the course catalogs affiliated with each location noted below, or contact the college of interest directly for more information. ****Continuing education is not required in order to maintain a Nevada contractor's license.**

Southern Nevada

College of Southern Nevada - (702) 651-5555

Architectural Design Technology	Floor Coverers	Plasterers
Bricklayers	Glaziers	Plumbers/Pipefitters
Carpenters	Heat & Frost Insulators	Roofer & Waterproofer
Cement Masons	Iron Workers	Scaffold Erector
Construction Management	Mechanical Technology	Sheet Metal Worker
Drywall Applicator & Finishers	Millwrights	Sustainable Construction
Electrical	Operating and Maintenance Engineers	Teamsters
Environmental & Construction Workers	Operating Engineers	Tile Setters
Facility Maintenance & Manufacturing	Painters	Water/Wastewater Treatment
	Pile Drivers	

Charleston Campus
6375 W. Charleston Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89146
(702) 651-5000

North Las Vegas Campus
3200 East Cheyenne Ave.
North Las Vegas, NV 89030
(702) 651-4000

Henderson Campus
700 College Dr.
Henderson, NV 89002
(702) 651-3000

Northern Nevada

Truckee Meadows Community College - (775) 673-7111

Construction Drawing & Detailing	Construction Cost Control	Intro to AC Controls
Basic Refrigeration Servicing	Construction Estimating II	Electric Motors & Drives
Intro to LEED & Sustainable Building	Construction Planning, Scheduling & Control	Build Construction I
Intro to General Mechanics	Construction Law	Math for Technicians
Business Speech Communications	Carpentry Apprentice I - IV	Orientation & Work Process
	Electrical/Electronic Circuits	Radiographic Photography & Techniques

Great Basin College - (775) 738-8493

Air conditioning	Electrical Theory	Metals
Applied Industrial Technology	Energy	Machine Tool Technology
Diesel Technology	Electronics	Welding
Electrical Instrumentation Technology	Fire Science	Woodworking
	Industrial Millwright Technology	

Western Nevada College - (775) 445-3000

Bookkeeping	Soils & Foundations for Construction	Contracts
Financial Accounting	Temporary Construction Structures	Construction Materials & Methods
Intro to Quickbooks	Construction Cost Control	Construction Contract Documents
Business Law	Construction Law &	Construction Site Safety



Nevada Contractor's Checklist

The following information is provided to help Nevada Contractors work within the law. For full text of laws that affect contracting in Nevada, see Nevada's *State Contractors Board Handbook*, Chapter 624 of the Nevada Revised Statutes and Chapter 624 of the Nevada Administrative Code. Contact the Nevada State Contractors Board for a copy.

- Include your license number and monetary limit on all contracts & bids. NAC 624.640(5)
- Keep your bond current. NRS 624.270
- Check to ensure that licenses or persons with whom you contract are valid and active. NAC 624.650
- Ensure you're using the business name as referenced and approved by the Board. NRS 624.305
- Do not allow bids or contracts to exceed your monetary limit value (including change orders). NRS 624.3015(2)
- Do not work outside the scope of your license classification. NRS 624.3015(3)
- Maintain all records, documentation, receipts, contracts, etc. for a minimum of three years. NRS 624.3013(1)
- Include the Residential Recovery Fund Disclosure on all residential contracts. NRS 624.520
- Provide customers with required Notice to Owner Disclosure. NRS 624.600(1)(2) and (3) as described in NAC 624.693 & NAC 624.6932
- Make sure your license number is on all business advertisements, including vehicles, business cards, letterhead, signage, directories, newspapers, website, etc. NRS 624.720.
 - Your license number should be approximately 1 1/2 inches on your motor vehicle. NRS 624.288
- If your address or other pertinent information about the business changes, notify the Contractors Board in writing within 30 days. NAC 624.640(3)
- Notify the Board within 10 days if your qualified individual leaves the company. NRS 624.285