

BITA Builds CALIFORNIA

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Hello BITA Instructors! Welcome to our first BITA Builds CA newsletter! In this quarterly publication we intend to highlight instructors, students, industry supporters, community projects and provide resources on the newest industry trends and practices.

This Fall BITA will be [active in 32 schools throughout California.](#)



The CHF team is very appreciative for all you do to make BITA successful for your students and communities - Enjoy your summer!

BITA IN THE COMMUNITY

Housing for the Paradise Fire Animals

Students from the Cordova High School BITA program took one of their annual projects and donated them to the animals who lost their homes in the Paradise Fire last year. Those wishing to assist in covering the material costs for these dog houses can donate at [Go Fund Me.](#)

Share your community projects with us! Please email Brittany Proctor bproctor@mychf.org



The first 19 completed dog houses were delivered to the Paradise Animal Shelter in March. Students were able to learn framing, install linoleum and fully insulate the building with a shingle roof.

INSTRUCTOR & STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Meet Dylan Howell, BITA Instructor at Antioch High School. Dylan became a teacher because he truly believes in the need for public education to better our society. Dylan enjoys BITA because of the one kid who finally sees the value of schools from working with their hands and seeing immediate and practical pay-offs.

Former BITA student, Susana Palacios now works for Mammoth Electric as a Equipment and Fleet Coordinator. She graduated from Katella High School and took BITA all four years. BITA taught her about the many career paths in the industry. Susana was awarded the Professional Women in Building (PWB) Scholarship in 2017.

INDUSTRY SUPPORT IS THE DRIVING FACTOR

BIA Baldy View Mentors The Future Of The Industry

On Thursday May 2nd, 2019, William Lyon Homes and VP of Government Affairs, Jim Perry, hosted a construction site tour for BITA students from Upland High School. The field trip exposed new BITA students to careers in the homebuilding industry at William Lyon's newest community, Rivera in Riverside CA.

How Can Industry Support Your Program in 2019?



The California Homebuilding Foundation provides critical building industry support through coordination and oversight activities at BITA sites statewide. Contact Jill Herman for more information jherman@mychf.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

Save-The-Date

BIA Orange County
A Toast to the Future
Wine Event
Thursday, October 10th
5:00 – 8:00PM
Location TBD



CHF Annual Golf
Tournament
Monday, October 14th
LaQuinta Resort

Little Black Dress and Tie
Social
Tuesday, October 15th
LaQuinta Resort

Make sure to reserve your spot soon! All high school teachers and students are welcome, but registration is required. Construction, CAD, Auto, Ag, Mechanical and industry related CTE teachers are especially encouraged to let us know how we can help you attend this event. [Register here](#)

IN THE NEWS



[Youths needed to fill construction jobs as openings rise.](#) “We’ve had a lot of people leave the industry. They’ve gone to other places (to find work) and they may never come back because of age, (or) they found a good job in ... another skilled labor sector,” said Mark Pursell, president and CEO of NAHB’s National Housing Endowment. “It’s up to us to show the career path to the kids.”



[Estancia High takes first in BIA’s ‘Design/Build’ competition.](#) Twelve teams from area high schools, and community colleges took part in the competition during which students from construction classes had 1½ days to build a tilt-roof garden shed, complete with a Dutch door, window, vent and flower box. The competition is part of the California Homebuilding Foundation’s BITA program.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

As a reminder: CHF awards scholarships to BITA graduates who have enrolled in post-secondary education or training after high school. We also offer work-ready scholarships for graduates moving onto a career in the trades. Please [visit our website](#) to learn more and apply.

