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The Metal Buildings Institute is the only place for training and information exclusive to the Metal Buildings Industry. Visit us on the web at www.metal-buildings-institute.org.

MBCEA members receive free access to the Quality & Craftsmanship 101 11-module video series, \$200 off the annual subscription to the 102 IMP and 201 Retrofit Roofing Modules, and \$150 off the Guidelines for Temporary Bracing. The discount code can be found on our [Training page](#).

Every contractor and erector should have a copy of the guidelines and access the training!

Greetings!

New Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Available for MBCEA Members



MBCEA is pleased to share a valuable new resource and benefit now available to our members through a partnership with ABC Insurance Trust: a standalone Employee Assistance Program designed to support employees and their families when life's challenges become difficult to manage alone.

In the June 2026 President's Message, "Building a Stronger Jobsite: Why Mental Health Belongs in Every Safety Conversation," MBCEA reminded members that mental health is not separate from jobsite safety—it is part of protecting crews, strengthening companies, and building an industry people want to stay in. That message encouraged employers to reduce stigma, train leaders to recognize warning signs, and clearly promote available support resources. MBCEA seeks to assist and help our members by offering this new EAP and help our members put that message into action.

This new EAP is available to all employees, even those who are not enrolled in a company health plan. It provides confidential 24/7 access to support by phone, chat, video, in person, and through a mobile app. Calls are answered by master's-level mental health clinicians, helping employees connect quickly with professional guidance when they need it most.

Services include counseling and support for mental health, family concerns, substance use, and work-life challenges, along with financial counseling, legal consultations, wellness coaching, and everyday life resources. The program also includes crisis intervention and critical incident support for workplace emergencies, as well as training and resources for managers and supervisors.

Powered by TELUS Health, this affordable, construction-focused solution gives MBCEA members another way to care for their teams and strengthen their workplaces. The regular rate starting in 2027, is \$3.50 per employee, per month, but a

Get Paid to Train your Team

The Ketenbrink Education Fund (KEF) has immediate mini-grant opportunities open to all MBCEA Members. Train your team using the MBI Quality and Craftsmanship 101 series. KEF will grant you \$250 each for up to 5 employees who successfully complete the 11-module series **and testing** from 5/1/26 through 10/1/26. The tests will cost you \$110/pp but you will receive \$250 in grant money.

MBI Q&C training is a required element for AC478 accreditation.

\$50,000 has been allocated for this grant program. Grant will close when funds run out.

Note that only those that have successfully completed the testing product are eligible to apply. (Think of it as a "refund".)

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discounted rate of \$3.05 per employee, per month is being offered through 12/31/26.

Learn More at the Upcoming Webinar

MBCEA members are encouraged to attend an [informational webinar](#) on **October 22, 2026, at 12:00 PM ET** to learn more about the program, eligibility, services, pricing, and how to bring this benefit to their employees. For companies looking to make mental health resources more visible, accessible, and trusted, this webinar is an important opportunity to learn how the EAP can support both employees and field leaders.

[Register now for the webinar!](#)

David Leinbach
President, MBCEA
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Job Board Promo through 9/30!

Are you interested in seeing what metal building industry jobs are out there? Do you have a position to fill?

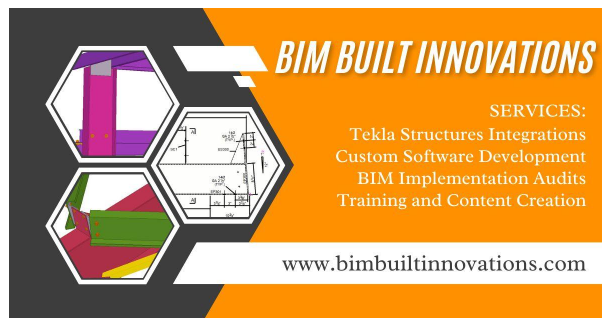
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2027 Dues Increase Notice

Pursuant to Article V, Section 1 of its bylaws, the Metal Building Contractors and Erectors Association is providing notice to its membership that annual dues will increase by 3% effective for the 2027 membership year.

This modest adjustment allows MBCEA to continue delivering strong value and meaningful benefits to our members. In recent years, we've expanded our offerings to better support your success, including a free monthly MBCEA Presents webinar series, enhanced new member

onboarding, expanded educational resources, and increased staff support to provide more responsive service. Our mobile app also makes it easier than ever to stay connected and access valuable member resources anytime.

As this increase will take effect after the required notice period, renewal invoices issued on November 1, 2026 will reflect the updated dues rates for 2027.

We sincerely appreciate your continued engagement and investment in MBCEA and look forward to continuing to support your business and the industry.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Technical Corner: New MBCEA Resource Available to Members

MBCEA Technical Committee

MBCEA has published a new Best Practices Guide, *Claims Procedures for Metal Building Erectors*, to help improve communication, accountability, and claim resolution across the metal building industry. The guide offers practical recommendations for documenting shortages, damage, and manufacturing-related deficiencies, while helping contractors and erectors better understand manufacturer expectations and procedures. By promoting consistent claim practices and stronger collaboration between erectors and manufacturers, this resource aims to reduce friction, support fair resolutions, and improve project outcomes for all parties involved.

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Business Finance Corner: Are You Building Everything Except Your Retirement?

Shannon Fowler
IronBridge Wealth Counsel, LLC

If you don't have a retirement plan for your employees, you may be missing the boat. And if you're an employee working for a company that doesn't offer one, you could be missing out on an important opportunity to build your retirement savings.

For business owners, a retirement plan isn't just about helping your employees save for the future. It can also be an important tool for your own retirement strategy. It also helps solve one of the biggest issues I hear from members... employee retention.

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Introducing Our New Community Wall!

We're excited to launch a brand-new way for members to connect, collaborate, and engage with one another right inside our mobile app!

This new feature gives you a space to:

- Share project photos and videos
- Start discussions about industry trends and challenges
- Create polls and gather opinions from the community
- Share useful resources and links
- Create hashtags to help members find relevant topics
- Ask questions and exchange ideas
- Comment on and engage with other members' posts
- Think of it as a social network built specifically for our MBCEA members! Whether you're seeking advice, celebrating a success, sharing insights, or networking with others in the industry, the Community Wall is the place to start the conversation.

The Community Wall is built for our members, by our members. The more you participate, the more valuable it becomes for everyone.

Join the conversation today and help create a vibrant space where MBCEA members can connect, learn, and grow together! As a reminder, a [website version](#) is now available.



MCN Project Excellence Awards

Metal Construction News (MCN) is now accepting entries for its 40th annual Project Excellence Awards, recognizing outstanding achievement in metal construction across the United States.

Projects may be entered in one of seven categories:

- Metal Building Systems (additions or retrofits)
- Metal Roofing (new construction and retrofit)
- Metal Walls (new construction and retrofit)
- Metal Craftsmanship
- Modular Buildings (new!)

In addition to category winners, one project will be selected as Best Overall—the program's highest honor.

Eligible Projects

- New industrial, commercial, institutional, or residential construction projects completed—or with the metal portion completed—after January 1, 2026.
- Industrial, commercial, institutional, or residential projects completed after January 1, 2025 that were entered in the previous year's competition but did not receive an award.

Projects will be evaluated by representatives of the metal construction industry.

The deadline to enter is September 11, 2026. To enter, simply login (or register if you haven't already done so) below and add your entries. **For full rules and guidelines and click here.**

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