

Canadian Building Trades Department

About Us

The Building and Construction Trades Department, AFL-CIO, (BCTD) provides essential coordination and support to the work of its affiliated international unions in Canada in order that, through inter-trade solidarity, organized construction workers achieve a powerful voice in government, in bargaining, and in their communities. For over a century, the BCTD has secured the trade jurisdiction and autonomy of its affiliates as the respected arbiter of trade issues and through that work has contributed to the continuity of employment and economic security of organized construction workers in the United States and Canada.

The Canadian Executive Board ("CEB") are assisted in implementing policy through the work of various standing committees. The policies of the CEB and the mandate of the Policy Conference are carried out by the BCTD Officers and Staff Departments, and through the efforts of local and provincial councils in the United States and Canada.

The important work of the BCTD is in the detail and the daily implementation of policy. That work revolves around three (3) crucial hubs of activity: Legislative and Governmental Affairs; Field Services; and Labor-Management Relations.

Mission Statement

The Building and Construction Trades Department's Mission

Now, more than ever, North America's Building Trades Unions are providing solutions to meet the challenge of a changing, energy-conscious world. With pride, performance, and professionalism, our highly skilled work force delivers unmatched value for contractors and owners alike.

With comprehensive formal craft training programs that set the standard in the construction industry, we provide life-long career and advancement opportunities for those with the discipline and determination to have a direct impact on the future of our world.

We will prove to contractors and owners that a partnership with North America's Building Trades Unions is the best investment they will ever make. And for those looking to do something financially satisfying and personally rewarding, it is the best career path they will ever take.

