

Construction Jobs: 5 Reasons Why You Should Start a Career in Construction



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How to Get Started Finding a Construction Job Today

Picture this: employees working alongside advanced robotic technology, workers incentivized and rewarded based on productivity and a collaborative team environment powered by cloud-based project management software. From this description, you might think of a company in Silicon Valley or another fast-growth technology company in a major metropolitan area, but in actuality, this could easily describe construction jobs anywhere from New York to North Dakota.

Construction jobs have long been stereotyped. For instance, good old manual labor, dirt and mandated work attire of boots, jeans, hard hats and possibly flannel shirts come to mind when you think of a standard construction worker. And although the flannel shirts might still be a staple on jobsites, some construction workers might swap their denim for a suit and tie and hardhats for a smart helmet that mines data.

While the pigeonholing of construction workers is beginning to evolve, convincing the youngest generations entering the workforce today of this otherwise has not been successful. In fact, according to a recent survey of young people from NAHB, only 3% were interested in a construction trade for a career. But to hire a new generation of employees, the problem isn't with the industry or the quality of jobs, but it's with the perception of those roles in general. As an example, the survey cited the desire to have a less physically-demanding role (48%) and the idea that construction work is difficult (32%), as the two major factors why they didn't want to enter the industry. But no longer the grueling manual labor-intensive industry that it used to be, making a career in construction is a great

choice for young and aging workers alike.

Nonetheless, the labor shortage remains a massive problem for those actually hiring with over 80% of contractors reporting they can't find the skilled workers they need. With such a large percentage of young professionals refusing even to consider a career in the industry, the future of the labor shortage continues to look bleak. But the good news is, with the right research and skills, there's a construction job waiting for you to fill.

But, why really should you consider a construction job? Whether you're looking to get into a new trade, picking your career path for or after university or looking to start working right after receiving your GED, construction offers tons of opportunities for workers at many stages in their careers. Below, we'll discuss five reasons why construction is absolutely worth considering as a competitive career path, as well as provide tips on how you can begin to find your role in the industry. If you already know the benefits of a career in construction, skip ahead to learn how you can get started in construction jobs today.

5 Reasons Why You Should Consider a Career in Construction

1. No More Job Hopping: Career Stability

Despite the massive labor shortage, construction needs are on the rise around the world. As just one example of the growth of the industry, data collected by Sageworks found that seven of the top 10 industries with the highest sales growth rates are related to construction including building finishing contractors, residential and nonresidential builders, mechanical systems contractors and civil engineering construction companies. Even better, the firm found growth in all related sub construction categories that they were track-

ing. Simply said, construction needs and jobs are growing steadily, and if you're looking to enter a new industry with untapped potential, construction could be your answer.

Additionally, although some industries fear that advanced and emerging technology will make their jobs obsolete, robotics do not pose a threat to the building industry. In fact, construction companies are embracing innovation and actually need more workers to operate advanced machinery so they can build faster and more efficiently. It's safe to say, for those entering construction jobs in the near future, you can most likely anticipate job security for many years.

2. Pay Your Bills: Salaries Are on the Rise

A large reason many millennials aren't entering the construction workforce is due to the idea that it involves extremely hard work for very little pay. Contrary to this myth construction salaries are on the rise. And as a whole, construction worker salaries are expected to continue to steadily rise in future years.

"Just in the last year, staff wages were expected to rise by 3.4%, another increase from the previous year."

As one of the highest-paid trade workers in the nation, at an average salary of nearly \$95,000 a year, construction managers can even make as much as some engineers and computer programmers. More food for thought, if you're considering a construction manager job in a large metropolitan area or at a larger company, your salary could even soar upwards to around \$150,000 annually.



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Email: Office@Chumoconstruction.net
Contact: George Chumo

Sub-Bids Requested From Qualified DBE Subcontractors & Suppliers

FOR CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN ORANGE COUNTY IN LAGUNA BEACH AND IRVINE FROM 0.1 MILE SOUTH OF ROUTE 73/133 SEPARATION TO ROUTE 133/241 SEPARATION IN DISTRICT 12 ON ROUTE 133

Location: 12-Ora-133-R3.9/13.6

Contract No. 12-0N6604

Bid Date: 01-07-2020 @ 2:00 PM

We have information about the plans, specifications, and requirements in our office located at 14425 Joanbridge Street, Baldwin Park, CA. Please call to arrange an appointment, our office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Copying services are available.

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PROJECT NOS. EN19001 & EN19006

Owner: Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Location: Chino, CA

Bid Date: February 20, 2020 @ 2:00 P.M.

J.F. Shea Construction, Inc.

667 Brea Canyon Road, Suite 30 • Walnut, CA 91789

Phone: (909) 595-4397, Fax: (909) 444-4268

Contact: Lori Olivas, lori.olivas@jfshea.com

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Subcontractors and Suppliers
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Owner: San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
Bid Date: **January 16, 2020 @ 2:00 P.M.**

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PENTA will be hosting a Pre-Bid Meeting on (Date/Time TBD), at (Location TBD).

The County's CBE participation goal for the MHUCC project is 25%

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* All interested bidders must submit a pre-qualifications form to bid. You can access the pre-qualification form <https://pentabldgggroup.sharefile.com/d-s3e94ac1a7c349f78> and submit to PENTA via email at amccoll@pentabldgggroup.com

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For all technical questions, please contact: jgonzalez@pentabldgggroup.com



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We are looking for proposals from Union Contractors with local workforce for the following trades:
****Parking Lot Striping, Barrier Cables, Expansion Joints, Doors/Frames/Hardware, Painting, Signs & Graphics, Bike Racks****

Project Name: Hollywood Park MU-4 Parking Structure

Estimated Cost: \$34,000,000.00

Local Hire Participation Goal: 30% of the labor hours required

MBE/DBE Participation Goal: 30% of contract value

General Contractor: Bomel Construction Company Inc.

Development Manager: Wilson Meany

Owner: HPMU4 LA, LLC

Project Requirement: Hollywood Park Development Project Labor Agreement (PLA)

Project Duration: November 2019 through March 2021

Proposals will need to comply with Project Insurance Requirements.

Outreach Meeting: **TBD**

Bid Due Date & Time: **January 24th, 2020 at 5:00pm**

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STATE HIGHWAY IN NEVADA COUNTY
NEAR PEARDALE FROM MAPLE WAY
TO YOU BET ROAD**
Contract No. 03-4F3704,
Federal Aid Project No. ACHSST-P174(014)
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal
Assigned is 18%

OWNER:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
1727 30th Street, Bidder's Exchange, MS 26,
Sacramento, CA 95816

REVISED BID DATE: January 8, 2020 @ 2:00 P.M.

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PROJECT 18-XX
WINCHESTER BOULEVARD STREET
RESURFACING
DBE Goal 16%**

OWNER:

CITY OF CAMPBELL
70 N. First Street, Campbell, CA 95008

BID DATE: JANUARY 8TH, 2020 @ 3:00 P.M.

DGC is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, for the following types of work and supplies/materials including but not limited to:

ADJUST IRON, COLD PLANE, CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS, ELECTRICAL, EMULSION SUPPLIER, EROSION CONTROL, MINOR CONCRETE, ROADSIDE SIGNS, STRIPING, TESTING, TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM, TRUCKING, WATER TRUCKS, STREET SWEEPING, HOT MIX ASPHALT (TYPE A) MATERIAL, RUBBERIZED HMA (GAP GRADE) MATERIAL.

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**CALTRANS ROUTE 280 -
CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY
IN SANTA CLARA AND
SAN MATEO COUNTIES IN LOS ALTHOS HILLS AND
MENLO PARK FROM FOOTHILL
EXPRESSWAY UNDERCROSSING TO 0.5 MILE
NORTH OF SAND HILL ROAD OVERCROSSING**
Contract No. 04-3J3204,
Federal Aid Project No. ACNH-280-1(150)
Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal
Assigned is 19%

OWNER:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
1727 30th Street, Bidder's Exchange, MS 26,
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BID DATE: JANUARY 7, 2020 @ 2:00 P.M.

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AC DIKE, COLD PLANE, CONCRETE BARRIER, CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS, ELECTRICAL, EROSION CONTROL, HAZARDOUS / CONTAMINATED MATERIAL, METAL BEAM GUARDRAIL, MINOR CONCRETE / TEXTURE PAVING, MINOR CONCRETE STRUCTURE, PCC GRINDING, STRUCTURAL CONCRETE APPROACH SLAB / INDIVIDUAL SLAB REPLACEMENT, ROADSIDE SIGNS, OBJECT MAKERS, STRIPING, SURVEY / STAKING, SWPPP / WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN PREPARATION, TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL, UNDERGROUND, VEGETATION CONTROL, TRUCKING, WATER TRUCKS, STREET SWEEPING, CLASS 2 AGGREGATE BASE MATERIAL, CLASS 1 PERMEABLE MATERIAL, HOT MIX ASPHALT (TYPE A) MATERIAL, RUBBERIZED HMA (OPEN GRADE) MATERIAL, RUBBERIZED HMA (GAP GRADE) MATERIAL.

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Of course, for those with a university degree and seeking a job in an area like project management or civil engineering, salary trajectory is solid, even right after graduation. However, unexpectedly, construction workers without a college degree can benefit from income security with industry median salaries up to around \$80,000 a year for certain jobs. Some of the highest-paid careers with no four-year degree required include:

- Elevator installers and repairers
- Boilermakers
- Plumbers
- Electricians
- Construction equipment operators
- Roofers

Of course, pay is also a factor of the market you're located in. While a construction professional might make a decent salary in a city like Seattle, it could vary significantly for a similar role in a city on the east coast. To see which U.S. markets are paying the highest for construction jobs, you might want to take a look at this post "10 Highest Paying Cities for Construction Jobs [SlideShare]."

If a salary is an employment concern for you, construction offers more stability than many other industries with the opportunity to excel, with and without a four-year degree. Want to learn more about the top construction careers for those with and without a degree? Check out the following post: "13 of the Top Careers in Construction."

3. Futuristic Feels: The Industry is Getting Technical

Even if construction salaries are appealing, you might be concerned with the tools of the trade. For instance, if you're thinking massive reels of blueprints, hammers and nails, aren't items you'd like to deal with on a day to day basis, you'd be mistaken in your mindset. The manual construction tools and processes of yesterday are very different from the highly-technical applications and devices emerging on jobsites today. As construction projects get more advanced and more stakeholders are involved, technology has become a necessity on jobsites and gives workers the opportunity to learn and apply new skills.

For construction jobs, this means that workers will have new opportunities to work with advanced technology firsthand. Some of the standard "tools" of construction now include mobile construction software and document management systems and disruptive technology like BIM and drones.

Furthermore, skilled field workers are now operating some of the most sophisticated machines in

the market making construction sites look more like a futuristic scene than a jobsite. The good news is that the future will continue to get bright with technology use on jobsites. The industry is just finally making the digital transition and construction professionals are wising up on the improvements to their bottom lines that they can only achieve with the help of technology. Even if you're not committed to a long-term career in the building industry, a solid construction job in the short-term could provide you with the skills and competitive edge to take with you to your dream career later.

4. Not Your Grandfather's Workforce: A Changing Labor Market

Due to the influx of technology and career opportunities that construction offers, the workforce is evolving. As a result, more women and minorities are choosing to take jobs in construction. The industry currently has a large Hispanic representation and companies are already rethinking their strategies to recruit and retain more women talent. Although the industry still has ways to go to make significant improvements in training and recruiting to create a more balanced workplace, they are surely making changes for the better.

In addition to the industry getting more diverse, it's also getting younger. With more Boomers on the verge of retirement, companies are actively recruiting more Millennials for construction jobs to fill their roles. For a Millennial looking to start a career right after high school, construction is one of the few industries where it's possible to begin without four years of college. Even for those finishing up a degree, there are plenty of apprenticeships and internships available to give younger generations a taste for what construction jobs are really like.

5. No Desk Required: Non-Traditional Jobs with High Worker Satisfaction

Let's face it, the 9 to 5 work cubicle environment simply isn't for everyone—but the idea of it might be so ingrained in your mind (or your parents'), that it's hard to think about a career where a desk isn't your main station. Although some construction professionals still have a steady desk job, many construction jobs are done outside the office and trailer. Whether you're in the field or meeting with other project stakeholders, careers in construction are more often than not very active and involve engaging in many face-to-face conversations to solve problems.

Even better, construction workers find a certain job satisfaction not many other works can say the same—the chance to see their work put into physical motion. Imagine driving by a skyscraper or massive hospital and knowing you played a role in making that structure a reality. To watch your

plans be built or to be the worker doing the actual construction, can be an incredibly fulfilling experience. As a matter of fact, it may just be one of the reasons why construction workers are among the happiest employees.

Overall, construction is far from a traditional job and depending on your trade or role, you can find a job that's extremely mentally and physically fulfilling.

7 Tips for Finding Construction Jobs

If you're interested is peaked from these top benefits of working in construction, you might want to start exploring how to break into the industry. Whether or not you believe a construction job is in your future, it also never hurts to explore your options. Below, here's how you can start to explore or find a job in construction with or without a college degree.

With No Degree

1. Brush up your resume: Before you begin, make sure you have your resume in order. Draw on any relevant work experience from the past. Have you ever volunteered? Consider all of the work and projects you've contributed to beyond jobs you were just paid for.

2. Search smarter: If you're searching for jobs online, look for construction jobs that advertise little to no experience required. You might even want to start searching for terms like "general labor" or "construction labor" to get started in an unskilled position. You can also look for short-term or seasonal jobs. Even short experiences can help you determine if you like the industry without a long-term commitment, or at least get your foot in the door.

3. Contact a temp agency: Not all jobs are advertised online, and temporary staffing agencies might have other opportunities available you're not aware of.

4. Consider a trade school or applying for an apprentice job: If you absolutely know you want to be in the construction industry, you should think about entering a trade school or applying for an apprenticeship. With specialized classes and training, you're more likely to get your career off on the right foot.

With a Degree or Working to Get One

5. Choose your major and classes wisely: If you know exactly what kind of job you would like to have in construction, make sure you're on track in your program. Find a mentor in a professor if you don't already have one. If you haven't chosen your major but know construction is where you want to be, try to talk to recent graduates in the field and listen to their thoughts and experiences.



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6. Become an intern: Internships are some of the most valuable work experiences you can get as a young professional—in or out of college. The best part is that since most internships are short term, you don't have to feel like you're committing to a major career path.

7. Attend a job fair: If you're a recent college graduate or graduating soon, attend a job fair.

You'll be able to see what kind of jobs are in the market and what your odds are of landing certain gigs right with just a degree.

Why Not Consider a Career in Construction

So, why consider a job in construction? More like, why are you not considering construction jobs right now? With opportunities and salaries on the rise, a chance to gain valuable cross-industry technical skills and to be part of an active and

diverse workforce, what's not to love? Construction could become the dream job you never knew you were looking for; so start your research and explore a career in the industry for your future today.

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