



AZ STATE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL

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The AGC is at it again. More union boogeyman hysteria. More crazy allegations.

Recently, the Associated General Contractors (AGC) issued a letter to the Phoenix City Council accusing the Arizona Building and Construction Trades Council (BTC) of demanding the hiring of union contractors on the Sky Harbor Project at Terminal 3.

Doesn't this hyperbole get old? Nothing could be further from the truth.

Here are the facts. The BTC has never demanded the hiring of only union contractors. We represent thousands of working families. We believe contractors that place an emphasis on training the construction workers of tomorrow offer the best value for public and private construction projects in Arizona.

Our privately-funded apprenticeship programs and training centers are second to none.

Equally important, we believe that model contractors who train Arizonans to be the best, safest, and most productive craft workers ensures the best value to our community and workforce. As Arizona became a national leader in the construction of solar plants, the Arizona Corporation Commission agreed that ongoing discussions about skilled workforce were important to attracting future projects to Arizona.

Our model contractors put our community first. Don't take our word for it—let our thousands of Arizona projects such as University of Phoenix Stadium, Mayo Hospital, Chase Field, Solana Solar Plant speak for themselves.

The AGC and its out-of-state, race-to-the-bottom contractors can continue to spew their extreme anti-union positions. As for the BTC, we'll continue to safely build the best construction projects in Arizona on time and within budget.

We're proud to represent our community, our Arizona contractors, and the most professional tradesmen that put workforce training and Arizona first.