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Commission crisscrosses the state for safety

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It has been a whirlwind of a week for the Industrial Commission of Arizona (ICA) Chairman, Dale Schultz, and Arizona Division of Occupational Safety and Health (ADOSH) Assistant Director, Jessie Atencio. The duo have combined to visit more than 20 employers reaching more than 2,000 managers, supervisors, and employees in an effort to work collaboratively with the construction industry highlighting the importance of safety.



Chairman Schultz at Hensel Phelps site

The construction industry is one of the most hazardous industries in America but through ADOSH, the ICA is taking a proactive approach to raise awareness on how employers and employees alike can make a difference by taking just a moment to remind everyone how important safety is. Chairman Schultz and A.D. Atencio have been invited to visit over twenty construction sites and companies this last week. Their impact has spanned across thousands of construction workers and multiple trades.

"We have invested heavily in outreach over the last few years and we are starting to see it pay off. These employers that had previously tensed up when we came on site are now reaching out to the agency to invite us to be a part of their focus on safety. I'm excited to see where this momentum takes us." stated Chairman Schultz.



Schultz and Atencio at Sundt and DPR site

Chairman Schultz and A.D. Atencio even managed to squeeze into the week a momentous partnership signing with the City of Goodyear. ADOSH operates the Consultation Division where the agency partners with employers to achieve the highest safety standards. Goodyear has signed on with ADOSH to take advantage of this free service.

Mr. Attencio added, "ADOSH continues to work with employers and employees who seek collaboration and value safety as port of a good business model. Regardless of the event size, whether it was a ladder demonstration or an elaborate fall rescue, all employees and management in attendance played a role in hazard awareness. This goes a long way in preventing accidents before they happen."

Some of the visits included:

- DPR Construction
- Sundt Construction
- Archer Western Contractors
- AZ Rock Products
- AECOM Hunt
- Austin Industries
- Diversified Roofing
- Border Construction Specialties
- AZ Associated General Contractors
- AZ Builders Alliance
- JE Dunn Construction
- Rowley Plastering
- UCSD OTI
- McCarthy Building Companies
- Maracay Homes

- Sun Eagle Corporation
- Loven Contracting
- BFL Construction
- Hensel Phelps
- City of Goodyear



Loven Contracting visit

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