

Building Dallas' Future Together



A MESSAGE FROM LEADERSHIP

There has never been a time when the KBHCCD has played a more visible role. With demolition ongoing, the campus is concurrently serving as the International Broadcast Center (IBC). It is a fitting preview of the role this building will play for our city.

The redeveloped convention center is now expected to open in 2030 — a deliberate decision to build in the right sequence, coordinating with the City's plans for the Jefferson and Houston Street viaducts so we connect downtown, Oak Cliff, and southern Dallas the right way. On June 24, the City Council affirmed that path and directed our team to keep advancing the current design without delay.

When it opens, this will be a new front door to Dallas: roughly 2.5 million square feet of modern, connected space designed to draw the city together, anchoring a convention pipeline that already exceeds \$4.5 billion in future economic impact. Thank you for building it with us.

Rosa Fleming
Director, Convention and Event Services
City of Dallas



Demolition from North

PROJECT PROGRESS



Completed

Site enabling activities

Pre-enabling truck ramp

OSHA protection systems installed

Reunion Garage improvements

Hall D major demolition

What's Happening Now

Interior demolition and material recycling

Major demolition Hall E, Hall F, and TXCN

Ongoing coordination with DART, the City of Dallas, TxDOT, UPRR, and community partners

Workforce training and job placement

SAFETY FIRST



Safety remains our top priority.

- Nearly 98,000 work hours completed without a lost time incident
- More than 800 workers have completed site safety orientation
- Noise monitoring and safety systems remain active throughout construction

Residents can sign up for DallasAlert by texting DALLAS to 67283 to receive important updates and notifications.

What's Happening On Site

As progress continues on the new convention center, community members may notice changes in traffic flow and access in the area. These adjustments are designed not only to move construction forward smoothly but to keep everyone—workers, neighbors, and visitors—safe and informed throughout the process.

To support construction and accommodate major city events, project routes have been updated and fencing has been installed around all work zones. These precautions help protect the community and maintain a safe environment for all while ensuring the project continues to advance on schedule.

Demolition work is ongoing at Hall E, Hall F and the TXCN site preparing the site for the next phases. Community safety and minimizing inconvenience remain top priorities during these activities.

Recent improvements also help support both the construction team and the broader community. The Reunion Garage has been upgraded to meet OSHA standards and is now available for contractor parking. Temporary construction offices have been set up on site, with project staff relocating to be closer to the work.

Project leaders continue to collaborate closely with City officials and community partners—including DART, TxDOT, UPRR and numerous City of Dallas' departments—to advance utility connections, permitting, and other critical project requirements. This ongoing cooperation ensures the project moves forward responsibly and keeps the community's needs at the forefront.

To ensure a safe and welcoming environment for residents and visitors alike, several important measures have been put in place. Noise monitoring systems are active to ensure compliance with event requirements. Construction fencing has been adjusted to meet international event security standards, keeping the project secure while maintaining public safety and access where possible.

Throughout every stage, the project team is committed to open communication and minimizing impacts on daily life. We encourage residents to stay engaged and reach out with any questions or feedback as we work together to create a convention center district that benefits all of Dallas.

Sustainability in Action

As demolition continues, the project team has significantly reduced environmental impacts while maximizing recycling and lowering landfill burden. So far:

- More than 7,000 tons of concrete have been recycled
- More than 2,000 tons of steel have been recycled
- Overall construction recycling rate is 82%, exceeding the project goal of 75%



Truck ramp approach slab



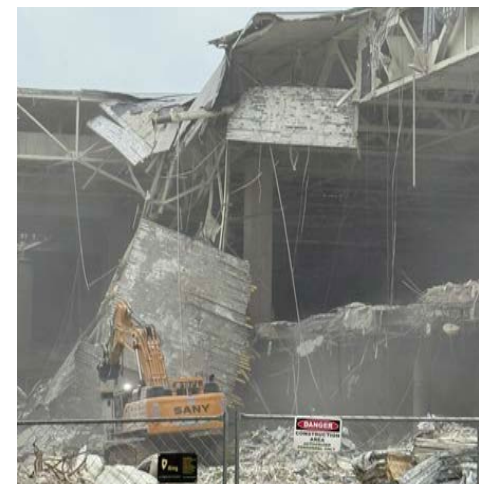
Truck ramp stair preparation



Hall D interiors slab demolition



Hall D demolition, view from the Omni



Demolition work being completed by Lindamood

Designing a Convention Center for Dallas

The new convention center is being designed as more than an event venue. It is being envisioned as a destination that better connects Downtown Dallas and surrounding communities to public transit, future development, and new public gathering spaces. Community input has played an important role in shaping the project.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- 14 engagement events held throughout Dallas
- More than 100 days of public survey participation
- Hundreds of community voices helping shape the future of the project

RECONNECTING THE DISTRICT

A primary design driver is the relocation of the new convention center footprint west of Lamar Street. This shift opens the opportunity to reshape this part of downtown Dallas, increase visibility, and expand pedestrian and cyclist movement.

Today, the existing convention center spans multiple blocks and limits connections between Downtown, The Cedars, and South and Southern Dallas. In the future plan, Lamar Street becomes the convention center's celebrated arrival and establishes a more legible north-south connection. The design also supports an extended Ceremonial Drive, which is planned to improve east-west access through the district, while Hotel Street is identified as an important connection for future development south of the site.



Participants at a July 2025 Focus Workshop held at the MLK Jr. Recreation Center



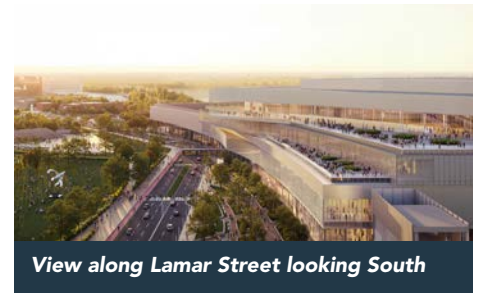
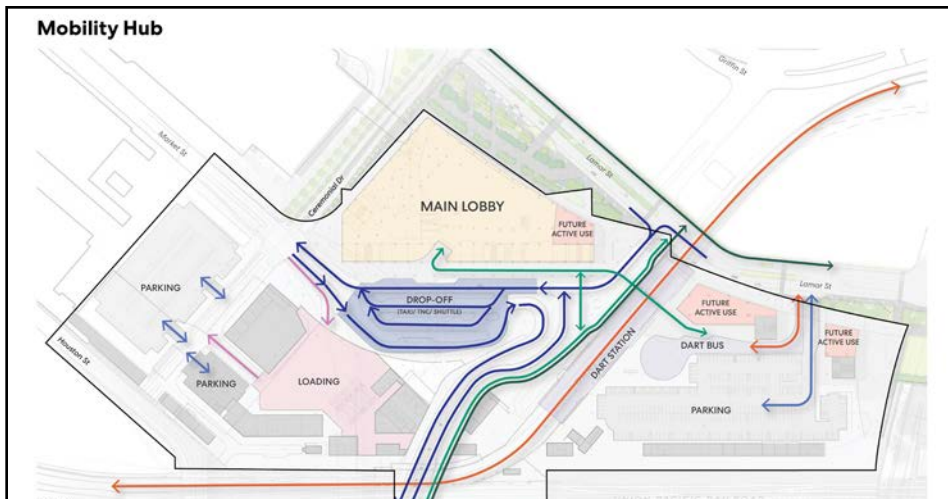
CREATING NEW PUBLIC SPACES

One of the most exciting aspects of the project is the transformation of the area surrounding the convention center.

Future plans include:

- Improved pedestrian and bicycle connections
- Enhanced access to DART transit
- New public gathering spaces
- Additional landscaping and shade
- Future retail, dining, and community programming opportunities

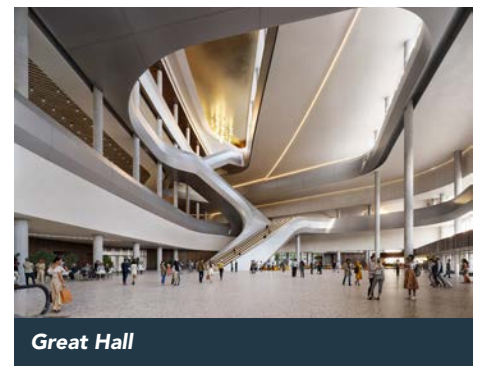
These improvements are designed to make the area more inviting not only for visitors but also for Dallas residents who live, work, and spend time downtown.



GREAT HALL AND ENTRY PLAZA: A NEW FRONT DOOR FOR DALLAS

The future Great Hall and Entry Plaza will serve as a welcoming gateway to Dallas.

Designed to create a stronger connection between the convention center and the surrounding city, the new public plaza will provide gathering spaces, improved accessibility, and stunning views of the downtown skyline. Inside, visitors will experience open, light-filled spaces that celebrate Dallas' energy, innovation, and hospitality.



Investing in Dallas' Workforce

The success of this project is driven by the people and businesses helping build it. The KBHCCD Workforce Development Program continues to connect Dallas residents with training, certifications, and employment opportunities in the construction industry.

Through partnerships with Dallas College, Workforce Dallas, Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas, Inspire Dallas, and Trinity Alliance, participants receive training and direct connections to employment opportunities throughout North Texas.

146+
Program
Graduates

547
Certifications
Awarded

11
Construction
Cohorts

94%
Completion
Rate

Managing Partners



The KBHCCD Master Plan Workforce Development Program is powered by the City of Dallas and managed by Inspire Dallas through a strong network of workforce and community partners. Dallas College provides industry-recognized training, while Workforce Dallas, powered by Goodwill, and Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas deliver outreach, supportive services, career resources, and job readiness support. Trinity Alliance connects graduates to verified employment opportunities on KBHCCD projects and throughout North Texas. Together, these partners are building a skilled workforce pipeline that creates opportunities for residents and strengthens the regional construction industry.

Community Workforce Programs



Our community partner organizations bring their own construction training cohorts through Dallas College. Each partner manages their own cohorts and student relationships. The project team supports all participants with job placement services, connecting graduates to positions on KBHCCD Master Plan projects and local North Texas construction projects.

Our ecosystem is evolving to ensure the support and inclusion of businesses at every stage of growth, from small and emerging contractors seeking their first opportunity on a major capital project, to established firms looking to expand capacity, upskill their workforce, and deepen their presence in the construction market.

Community Outreach Events



MEP & LOW VOLTAGE - MAY 26, 2026



FIRE PROTECTION, VERTICAL
TRANSPORTATION, ENCLOSURE, &
FIRE PROOFING - JUNE 2, 2026

TRADE PARTNER MATCHMAKING EVENTS

Matchmaking events provide opportunities for small and emerging businesses to connect directly with prime contractors, learn about upcoming procurement opportunities, and showcase their capabilities. These engagements help foster relationships, increase awareness of project requirements, and support broader participation in the GMP packages associated with the KBHCCD Master Plan project.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH & GLOBAL OVERVIEW EVENT - MAY 20, 2026

Our Overview Events connects stakeholders with project leaders to share updates, opportunities, and resources supporting participation in the KBHCCD Master Plan.



Business Spotlight

This edition highlights local contractors, workforce program participants, and community leaders who are creating opportunities, supporting economic growth, and investing in the future of Southern Dallas.

Featured stories include:

- Gregory Cody and GCC Enterprises
- dlb Consultants
- Reginald Williams
- Regional Hispanic Contractors Association (RHCA)

Together, these individuals and organizations demonstrate how the project is creating pathways to careers, entrepreneurship, and community investment.

GREGORY CODY

TEAM MEMBER

Founded in 2002 by Gregory and Carol Cody, GCC Enterprises is a Dallas-based construction management firm and certified SDVOSB, VetHUB, and SBE with a portfolio that includes AT&T, Parkland Health, UT Southwestern, and DFW International Airport. As a retired U.S. Air Force veteran and recognized as SBA Minority Small Business Person of the Year, Gregory Cody serves on the Board of Directors for the DFW Minority Business Development Council and the Regional Black Contractors Association. As a valued partnered firm on the project, GCC Enterprises remains committed to creating economic opportunities for local businesses across North Texas.



DLB CONSULTANTS

SUBCONTRACTOR

dlb Contractors is a certified SBE specialty contractor based in DFW, providing commercial painting, drywall finishing, wall systems, specialty coatings, and surface preparation services throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth area.



As part of the Master Plan project, dlb is performing drywall finishing, Level 4 and Level 5 wall preparation, priming, and painting of the new demising walls and associated interior spaces. In addition, dlb Contractors completed the surface preparation, priming, and finish coating of several large exterior steel stair systems that provide access throughout the facility.

REGINALD WILLIAMS

RHCA PARTICIPANT

Reginald Williams demonstrates how skills developed in the transportation industry can successfully transfer to the construction sector, bringing valuable experience and perspective to his role. Through the Regional Hispanic Contractors Association (RHCA), he has successfully transitioned those skills into construction through NCCER and OSHA training. As a Project Manager with Andrews Development, Williams supports residential and commercial projects while championing workplace safety and workforce development. His journey highlights how experienced professionals can make an immediate impact on project success while strengthening the future of the construction workforce.



RHCA *Engineering and Construction Community*

WE INVEST IN THE PEOPLE WHO BUILD

AS A 2026 OSHA AMBASSADOR, RHCA IS YOUR TRUSTED HEADQUARTERS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

A one-stop resource for training, safety education, and industry connections that empower the people building our communities.

SKILLED TRADE TRAINING | SAFETY EDUCATION | INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS | EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIPS

Regional Hispanic Construction Association | Regionalhca.org | 972-786-0909

Learn More

Image Gallery

Take a look at recent project activity, workforce initiatives, demolition progress, and safety efforts taking place across the site.



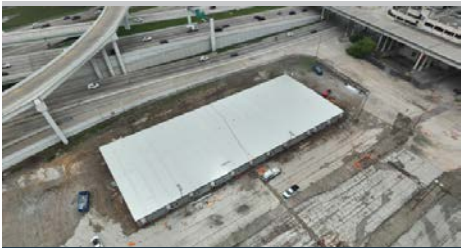
National Construction Safety Week, May 4-8



Site progress via Drone footage



Barrier control during demolition



Construction trailers



TXCN Fire Department Training



TXCN Demolition

IN THE NEWS



['It's real': Demolition of Dallas' old Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Begins](#)

Source: Dallas Morning News

[World Cup broadcast venue demolition officially begins ahead of \\$3.6 billion reconstruction](#)

Source: The Sun

[TTW Reveals Top 100 Convention Centers in the World for 2026](#)

Source: Travel and Tour World

[Inside the World Cup's 500,000-square-foot 'never-let-it-fail' nerve center](#)

Source: Yahoo/Dallas Morning News

[Dallas City Council rejects plan to raise convention center height, impacting direct route to Oak Cliff](#)

Source: The Business Journals

[Dallas City Council approves key traffic studies, infrastructure and library investments ahead of July recess](#)

Source: Advocate Oak Cliff

UPCOMING



Events

National Veterans Outreach Program Job Fair

Date: July 21, 2026

Time: 11am

Location: 4535 Half Crown Drive, Dallas, TX 75237

Build Fort Worth

Date: August 6, 2026

Time: 7:30am

Location: Will Rogers Memorial Center

North Texas Job Fair

Date: August 6, 2026

Time: 11am

Location: Globe Life Field

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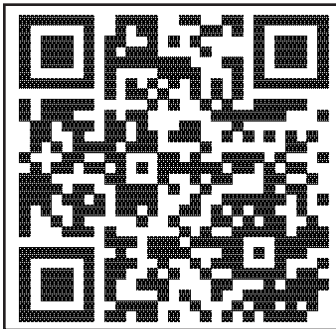
[Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas Master Plan website](#)

[Subcontractor & Bid Opportunities](#)

[Subcontractor Prequalification on Compass](#)

MASTER PLAN WEBSITE

Visit DallasCCMasterPlan.com for project updates, construction notices, workforce opportunities, and upcoming community events.



CONTACT US

Questions or comments?

We welcome your feedback and encourage residents, businesses, and community organizations to stay engaged throughout the project.

