



# NEVADA STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD STRATEGIC PLAN

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT QUARTER THREE REPORT

JANUARY 1 - MARCH 31, 2026

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## Mission Statement

The Nevada State Contractors Board (NSCB) is committed to ensuring the integrity and professionalism of the construction industry in Nevada. The NSCB has the responsibility to promote quality construction by Nevada licensed contractors through a regulatory licensing system designed to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.



## Message from the Executive Officer

This new year has ushered in important legislative and regulatory updates. Changes to the Nevada Revised Statutes affecting the Contractors Board, along with corresponding updates to Board rules and regulations, have strengthened our framework for serving the industry. Notably, the introduction of the new B-7 Restricted Residential Remodeling classification creates a meaningful pathway for individuals striving to become licensed contractors.

In parallel with these regulatory advancements, we have continued to engage with community members and industry stakeholders on key issues shaping the construction landscape. This includes ongoing discussions surrounding the solar industry, where significant progress has been made in enhancing consumer protections, addressing deceptive lending practices, and reducing solar-related complaints to the Board by more than 50 percent from 2024 to 2025.

Supporting these efforts internally, our licensing department has demonstrated exceptional commitment in preparing for upcoming changes. Their work has focused on expanding exam accessibility, particularly through increased availability of Spanish-language testing, while also improving overall application turnaround times.

At the same time, collaboration remains a central priority. We have strengthened partnerships with Northern Nevada associations and continue to work closely with industry experts to ensure we are aligned in our efforts to better serve contractors and the public.

To further advance these goals, staff and Board members recently participated in a strategic planning session. This collaborative effort focused on identifying new opportunities to enhance services, increase efficiency, and deliver greater value to both contractors and the communities we serve.

Beyond policy and planning, outreach has been a defining highlight of the year. Our presence at trade schools has allowed staff to engage directly with students, emphasizing the importance of construction careers and showcasing the wide range of opportunities available in the industry.

Building on that momentum, our annual Tools Drive and Hammers and Hope events made a meaningful impact in the community. Through the generosity of the public, thousands of dollars' worth of tools were donated to trade schools, supporting students as they begin their construction careers. In addition, the Hammers and Hope initiative empowered more than 350 young women by providing exposure to and opportunities within the trades.



## Message from the Executive Officer Cont.

Finally, reflecting our continued commitment to accessibility and inclusivity, our 2026 Language Access Plan has been updated to better serve individuals who speak languages other than English and to expand the resources available to them.

Looking ahead, we remain optimistic that the coming quarters will continue to build on this progress, creating expanded opportunities for aspiring contractors, deepening engagement with youth, and strengthening our support for stakeholders across Nevada.

David Behar  
Executive Officer  
Nevada State Contractors Board

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# Executive Officer - Quarter Highlights

## **NSCB Introduces B-7 Restricted License**

The NSCB is now accepting applications for the new B-7 Restricted License. SB130 was designed for individuals who don't yet qualify for a full contractor's license but want to gain experience. This license allows contractors to perform nonstructural remodeling on single-family homes (up to three stories) for projects valued up to \$7,000, including labor and materials. Applicants must have at least two years of experience along with other qualifications. The license is valid for two years and can be renewed or upgraded after passing a trade exam.

## **South Summerlin HOA Hosts Crime Prevention Seminar**

South Summerlin HOA organized a crime prevention seminar that brought together NSCB staff, various state departments, LVMPD, and other organizations. The event was prompted by incidents in which several residents were scammed out of their life savings, and focused on educating attendees about how scammers target seniors, the risks of hiring unlicensed contractors, and practical prevention tips to protect themselves. The event attracted more than 100 participants, many of whom showed strong interest in the Contractors Board and its role in consumer protection.

## **NSCB Hammers and Hope Inspires Future Women in Construction**

The NSCB Hammers and Hope event was held in both Southern and Northern Nevada. The Northern Nevada event took place at TMCC's Applied Technology Center, while the Southern Nevada event was hosted at the East Las Vegas Community Center. The events featured a panel of inspiring women leading successful careers in the construction industry and provided information to more than 350 young women about the many high-paying career opportunities available in the field. Attendees also participated in mentor sessions and a career fair. To top it off, the keynote speaker, Dallas Knight, a combat veteran and intelligence analyst, shared her personal story and upbringing, which strongly resonated with the young women in attendance.

## **NSCB Executive Officer Keynotes SNARSCA Luncheon**

Executive Officer David Behar served as the keynote speaker at the Southern Nevada Air Conditioning Refrigeration Service Contractors Association (SNARSCA) luncheon. He discussed the issue of unlicensed contractors and provided guidance on how to handle situations when encountering them. The event also gave Mr. Behar the opportunity to meet new members while sharing updates on NSCB activities, including ongoing efforts to enforce regulations against unlicensed contracting.

## **ECTA Senior Project Day Showcases Student Craftmanship and Industry Support**

East Career & Technical Academy (ECTA) recently celebrated its Senior Project Day, where graduating seniors presented capstone projects they designed and build. These projects included a variety of functional items such as dog houses, furniture, snack shacks, as well as patio furniture and covers, demonstrating both creativity and technical skill. Executive Officer David Behar served as an industry mentor and strong supporter of the students, representing the Contractors Board and providing valuable guidance throughout the process. ECTA was also a recipient of tools from our annual Tools Drive, which played a key role in bringing many of these students projects to life.

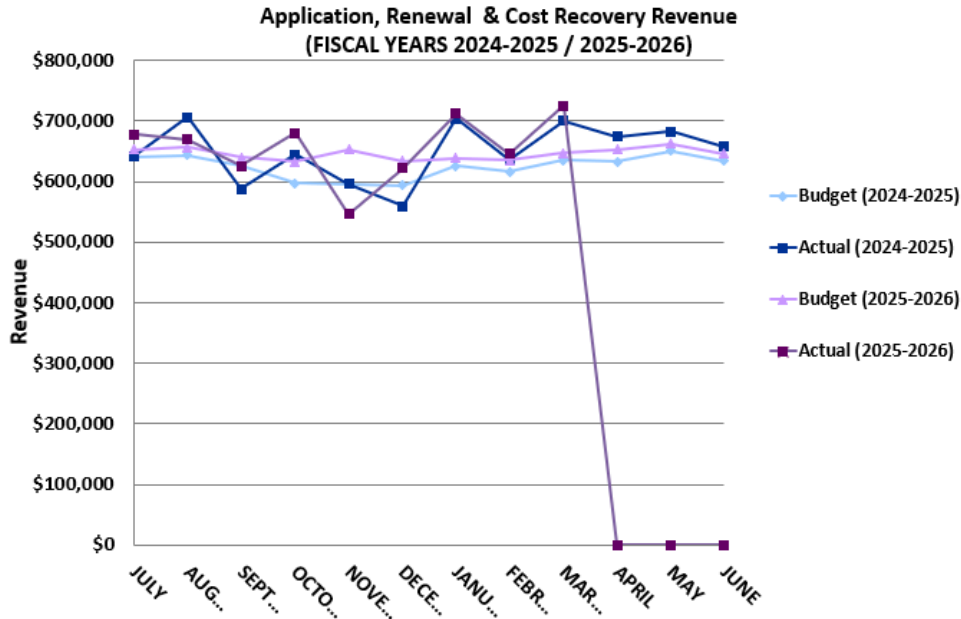
## **Strengthening Consumer Protection in the Solar Industry**

Through collaboration with industry partners across the state, significant progress has been made in advancing discussions around the solar sector. These efforts have focused on strengthening consumer protections, addressing deceptive loan practices, and reducing the number of complaints brought before the Board. As a result of coordinated work among prosecutors, industry partners, legislators, and Board staff, solar related complaints declined by more than 50% from 2024 to 2025. With the implementation of new laws governing solar practices, further reductions in complaints are anticipated.

# Licensing & Cost Recovery - Data Dashboard

Budget (2024-2025)	JULY-24	AUG-24	SEPT-24	OCT-24	NOV-24	DEC-24	JAN-25	FEB-25	MAR-25	APR-25	MAY-25	JUN-25	TOTALS
License Renewals	\$418,000	\$421,000	\$407,000	\$378,000	\$378,100	\$375,100	\$406,000	\$398,000	\$414,300	\$413,000	\$428,300	\$413,200	\$4,850,000
New License Fee	\$66,700	\$66,700	\$66,700	\$66,000	\$66,000	\$66,000	\$67,000	\$66,000	\$67,000	\$67,000	\$67,900	\$67,000	\$800,000
Application Fee	\$68,400	\$68,400	\$68,400	\$68,300	\$68,300	\$68,300	\$68,300	\$68,300	\$68,400	\$68,300	\$68,300	\$68,300	\$820,000
License Changes	\$45,416	\$45,417	\$45,417	\$45,416	\$45,416	\$45,416	\$45,417	\$45,416	\$45,417	\$45,417	\$45,418	\$45,417	\$545,000
Investigative Recov Costs	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$300,000
Renewal Late Fees	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$11,000	\$10,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$125,000
Renewal Inactive Fee	\$6,225	\$6,375	\$3,825	\$4,025	\$3,575	\$3,725	\$4,125	\$2,925	\$3,825	\$4,125	\$4,725	\$3,525	\$51,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	
	\$640,741	\$643,892	\$626,342	\$596,741	\$596,391	\$593,541	\$625,842	\$615,641	\$634,942	\$632,842	\$650,643	\$633,442	\$7,491,000
<b>Actual (2024-2025)</b>	<b>JULY-24</b>	<b>AUG-24</b>	<b>SEPT-24</b>	<b>OCT-24</b>	<b>NOV-24</b>	<b>DEC-24</b>	<b>JAN-25</b>	<b>FEB-25</b>	<b>MAR-25</b>	<b>APR-25</b>	<b>MAY-25</b>	<b>JUN-25</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
License Renewals	\$423,155	\$447,415	\$361,690	\$399,825	\$364,205	\$339,790	\$451,990	\$391,650	\$432,550	\$421,075	\$432,190	\$424,800	\$4,890,335
New License Fee	\$65,100	\$77,400	\$71,700	\$75,150	\$72,600	\$68,100	\$95,000	\$83,500	\$81,600	\$81,300	\$93,900	\$74,550	\$940,500
Application Fee	\$68,100	\$88,800	\$72,000	\$85,500	\$71,700	\$79,200	\$78,600	\$77,400	\$88,200	\$87,600	\$74,100	\$81,900	\$953,100
License Changes	\$50,775	\$50,600	\$52,425	\$50,500	\$45,000	\$46,500	\$49,375	\$56,100	\$58,025	\$51,225	\$55,950	\$55,610	\$622,085
Investigative Recov Costs	\$22,836	\$26,070	\$16,486	\$20,645	\$30,300	\$15,302	\$15,748	\$13,630	\$29,209	\$17,923	\$11,484	\$9,559	\$229,193
Renewal Late Fees	\$9,188	\$8,475	\$9,825	\$8,700	\$8,888	\$7,238	\$9,875	\$7,363	\$7,178	\$8,500	\$9,363	\$7,463	\$102,053
Renewal Inactive Fee	\$2,600	\$7,450	\$3,600	\$4,500	\$2,870	\$3,500	\$3,580	\$5,550	\$3,600	\$5,700	\$5,100	\$3,620	\$51,320
<b>Totals</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	
	\$641,754	\$706,210	\$587,726	\$644,820	\$595,582	\$559,279	\$704,168	\$635,193	\$700,362	\$673,923	\$682,087	\$657,502	\$7,788,586
<b>Variance (2024-2025)</b>	<b>JULY-24</b>	<b>AUG-24</b>	<b>SEPT-24</b>	<b>OCT-24</b>	<b>NOV-24</b>	<b>DEC-24</b>	<b>JAN-25</b>	<b>FEB-25</b>	<b>MAR-25</b>	<b>APR-25</b>	<b>MAY-25</b>	<b>JUN-25</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
License Renewals	\$5,155	\$26,415	(\$45,310)	\$21,825	(\$13,895)	(\$35,310)	\$45,990	(\$6,350)	\$18,250	\$8,075	\$3,890	\$11,600	\$40,335
New License Fee	(\$1,600)	\$10,700	\$5,000	\$9,150	\$6,600	\$2,100	\$28,000	\$17,500	\$14,600	\$14,900	\$26,000	\$7,550	\$140,500
Application Fee	(\$300)	\$20,400	\$3,600	\$17,200	\$3,400	\$10,900	\$10,300	\$3,100	\$19,800	\$19,300	\$5,800	\$13,600	\$133,100
License Changes	\$5,359	\$5,183	\$7,008	\$5,084	(\$416)	\$1,084	\$3,958	\$10,684	\$12,608	\$5,808	\$10,532	\$10,193	\$77,085
Investigative Recov Costs	(\$2,164)	\$1,070	(\$8,514)	(\$4,355)	\$5,300	(\$9,698)	(\$3,252)	(\$11,370)	\$4,209	(\$7,077)	(\$13,516)	(\$15,441)	(\$70,807)
Renewal Late Fees	(\$1,813)	(\$2,525)	(\$175)	(\$1,300)	(\$1,113)	(\$2,763)	(\$125)	(\$2,638)	(\$3,823)	(\$1,500)	(\$1,638)	(\$3,538)	(\$22,948)
Renewal Inactive Fee	(\$3,625)	\$1,075	(\$225)	\$475	(\$705)	(\$575)	(\$545)	\$2,625	(\$225)	\$1,575	\$375	\$95	\$320
<b>Totals</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	
	\$1,013	\$62,318	(\$38,616)	\$48,079	(\$829)	(\$34,262)	\$78,326	\$19,552	\$65,420	\$41,081	\$31,444	\$24,060	\$297,586
<b>Budget (2025-2026)</b>	<b>JULY-25</b>	<b>AUG-25</b>	<b>SEPT-25</b>	<b>OCT-25</b>	<b>NOV-25</b>	<b>DEC-25</b>	<b>JAN-26</b>	<b>FEB-26</b>	<b>MAR-26</b>	<b>APR-26</b>	<b>MAY-26</b>	<b>JUN-26</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
License Renewals	\$418,000	\$421,000	\$407,000	\$400,000	\$420,000	\$400,000	\$406,000	\$402,000	\$414,300	\$420,000	\$428,300	\$413,200	\$4,950,000
New License Fee	\$75,416	\$75,417	\$75,417	\$75,416	\$75,417	\$75,417	\$75,416	\$75,417	\$75,417	\$75,416	\$75,417	\$75,417	\$905,000
Application Fee	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$78,750	\$945,000
License Changes	\$43,166	\$43,167	\$43,167	\$43,166	\$43,167	\$43,167	\$43,166	\$43,167	\$43,167	\$43,167	\$43,167	\$43,167	\$590,000
Investigative Recov Costs	\$16,916	\$16,917	\$16,917	\$16,916	\$16,917	\$16,917	\$16,916	\$16,917	\$16,917	\$16,917	\$16,917	\$16,917	\$203,000
Renewal Late Fees	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$8,750	\$105,000
Renewal Inactive Fee	\$6,200	\$6,350	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$4,125	\$4,500	\$3,900	\$4,500	\$4,725	\$4,200	\$55,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	
	\$653,198	\$656,351	\$640,000	\$632,938	\$653,000	\$633,500	\$639,123	\$638,701	\$647,201	\$653,498	\$662,026	\$646,401	\$7,753,000
<b>Actual (2025-2026)</b>	<b>JULY-25</b>	<b>AUG-25</b>	<b>SEPT-25</b>	<b>OCT-25</b>	<b>NOV-25</b>	<b>DEC-25</b>	<b>JAN-26</b>	<b>FEB-26</b>	<b>MAR-26</b>	<b>APR-26</b>	<b>MAY-26</b>	<b>JUN-26</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
License Renewals	\$437,855	\$415,163	\$394,500	\$415,200	\$321,000	\$365,550	\$458,700	\$388,050	\$458,500				\$3,654,300
New License Fee	\$77,250	\$82,500	\$72,300	\$82,950	\$73,600	\$74,400	\$94,800	\$85,800	\$86,400				\$730,000
Application Fee	\$85,800	\$92,100	\$74,900	\$91,900	\$73,500	\$76,200	\$83,100	\$93,000	\$88,500				\$759,000
License Changes	\$49,550	\$53,075	\$48,225	\$53,775	\$44,300	\$52,450	\$53,675	\$47,900	\$49,350				\$452,300
Investigative Recov Costs	\$13,914	\$10,903	\$22,147	\$25,139	\$23,044	\$42,412	\$9,564	\$17,183	\$23,055				\$193,000
Renewal Late Fees	\$8,625	\$8,400	\$9,788	\$6,638	\$7,163	\$7,763	\$8,700	\$8,650	\$8,638				\$74,300
Renewal Inactive Fee	\$4,250	\$7,300	\$3,450	\$4,350	\$3,150	\$3,300	\$3,150	\$5,100	\$4,500				\$38,900
<b>Totals</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	
	\$677,244	\$669,441	\$625,310	\$679,952	\$545,756	\$622,074	\$711,689	\$645,683	\$724,942	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,902,300
<b>Variance (2025-2026)</b>	<b>JULY-25</b>	<b>AUG-25</b>	<b>SEPT-25</b>	<b>OCT-25</b>	<b>NOV-25</b>	<b>DEC-25</b>	<b>JAN-26</b>	<b>FEB-26</b>	<b>MAR-26</b>	<b>APR-26</b>	<b>MAY-26</b>	<b>JUN-26</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>
License Renewals	\$19,855	(\$5,838)	(\$12,500)	\$15,200	(\$99,000)	(\$34,450)	\$52,700	(\$14,150)	\$44,200	(\$420,000)	(\$428,300)	(\$413,200)	(\$1,295,400)
New License Fee	\$1,834	\$7,083	(\$3,117)	\$7,534	(\$1,817)	(\$1,017)	\$19,384	\$10,383	\$10,983	(\$75,416)	(\$75,417)	(\$75,417)	(\$175,000)
Application Fee	\$7,050	\$13,350	(\$3,850)	\$13,150	(\$5,250)	(\$2,550)	\$4,350	\$14,250	\$3,750	(\$78,750)	(\$78,750)	(\$78,750)	(\$186,000)
License Changes	\$384	\$3,908	(\$42)	\$4,609	(\$4,667)	\$3,283	\$4,509	(\$1,267)	\$183	(\$49,166)	(\$49,167)	(\$49,167)	(\$137,700)
Investigative Recov Costs	(\$3,002)	(\$6,014)	\$5,230	\$8,223	\$6,127	\$25,495	(\$7,352)	\$266	\$12,138	(\$16,916)	(\$16,917)	(\$16,917)	(\$9,000)
Renewal Late Fees	(\$125)	(\$350)	\$1,038	(\$2,113)	(\$1,588)	(\$988)	(\$50)	(\$100)	(\$113)	(\$8,750)	(\$8,750)	(\$8,750)	(\$30,800)
Renewal Inactive Fee	(\$1,950)	\$950	(\$550)	\$350	(\$850)	(\$1,200)	(\$375)	\$600	\$600	(\$4,500)	(\$4,725)	(\$4,200)	(\$16,400)
<b>Totals</b>	<b>JULY</b>	<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>APRIL</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUNE</b>	
	\$24,046	\$13,030	(\$14,691)	\$46,954	(\$107,245)	(\$11,427)	\$72,566	\$3,982	\$77,741	(\$653,498)	(\$662,026)	(\$646,401)	(\$1,850,300)

# Licensing & Cost Recovery - Data Dashboard



JANUARY TO MARCH 2026	
Licenses (Beginning of Quarter)	19,150
New Licenses Issued	451
Licenses Cancelled / Surrendered / Revoked	(278)
Variance in Suspended/Reinstated Licenses	105
Licenses (End of Quarter)	19,428
# of Licenses on January 1, 2026	19,150
# of Licenses on March 31, 2026	19,428
Licenses Gained / Lost	278
Renewal Revenue Gained / Lost	\$166,800
<b>*Does not include suspended licenses</b>	

FISCAL YTD LICENSING FEE TOTALS (FY 2025-2026)			
LICENSING FEES	Q3 BUDGET	Q3 ACTUAL	VARIANCE
License Renewals	1,222,500	1,305,250	82,750
New License Fee	226,250	267,000	40,750
Application Fee	236,250	264,600	28,350
License Changes	147,500	150,925	3,425
Invest Recov Costs	50,750	55,802	5,052
Renewal Late Fees	26,250	25,988	(263)
Renewal Inactive Fee	12,525	12,750	225

90 Day Retention Rate			
Projected Year-End Retention Rate	January 2026	19,150	
	Cancellations	(278)	(1.43%)
	New Licenses	451	2.32%
	Susp/Reinstat	105	0.54%
	March 2026	19,428	
	Change	278	
<b>3 Month Rolling</b>		<b>% Change</b>	<b>1.43%</b>

180 Day Retention Rate			
Projected Year-End Retention Rate	October 2025	19,118	
	Cancellations	(540)	(2.78%)
	New Licenses	835	4.30%
	Susp/Reinstat	138	0.71%
	March 2026	19,428	
	Change	310	
<b>6 Month Rolling</b>		<b>% Change</b>	<b>1.60%</b>

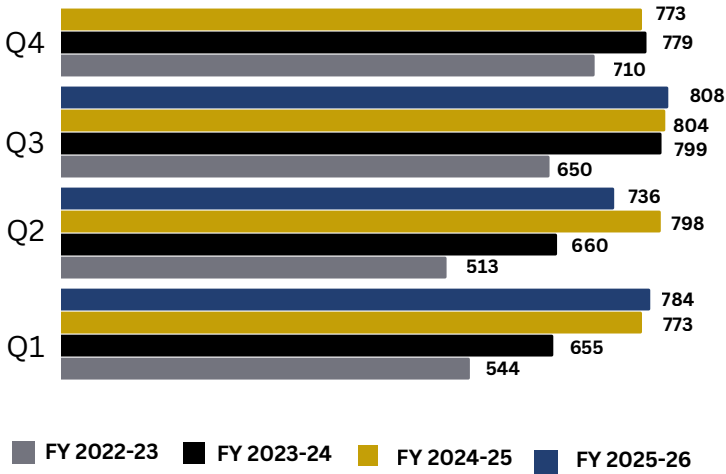


# Licensing - Quarter Statistics

New License Apps	808	(0%)
Issued Licenses	451	(6%)
Change Apps	872	(0%)
Active Licenses	19,002	(3%)
Inactive Licenses	426	(6%)
Placed on Inactive Status	25	(-24%)
Voluntary Surrender	101	(38%)
Licenses Canceled, Not Renewed	173	(-12%)
Licenses Revoked	5	(-50%)
License Suspensions (no bond)	212	(-26%)
License Suspensions Initiated (DETR/DIR)	40	(-9%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance with DETR/DIR Received</li> <li>Suspended</li> <li>Referred to Enforcement</li> </ul>	29 8 2	(-40%) (60%) (-78%)
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Active License Renewals	2,304	(2%)
Inactive License Renewals	32	(-35%)
Online Renewals	1,841	(7%)
Financial Reviews Initiated	11	(450%)
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CMS Exams	524	(-10%)
Trade Exams	631	(-3%)
NASCLA Exam Transcripts	44	(57%)
Licensure by Endorsement	62	8% of all new applicants
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trade &amp; Experience</li> <li>Experience Only</li> </ul>	53 8	
Certificates of Eligibility Requests	7	(17%)
Certificates of Eligibility Renewals	100	(1%)
Single Project Limit Increases	19	(-47%)
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Contractors Identified as Veterans	97	(52%)
Business Assistance Program Attendees	48	(0%)
Licensing Assistance Program Attendees	19	(6%)
Public Records Requests	52	(-7%)
Total Calls Received	9,445	(-14%)

# Licensing - Trends

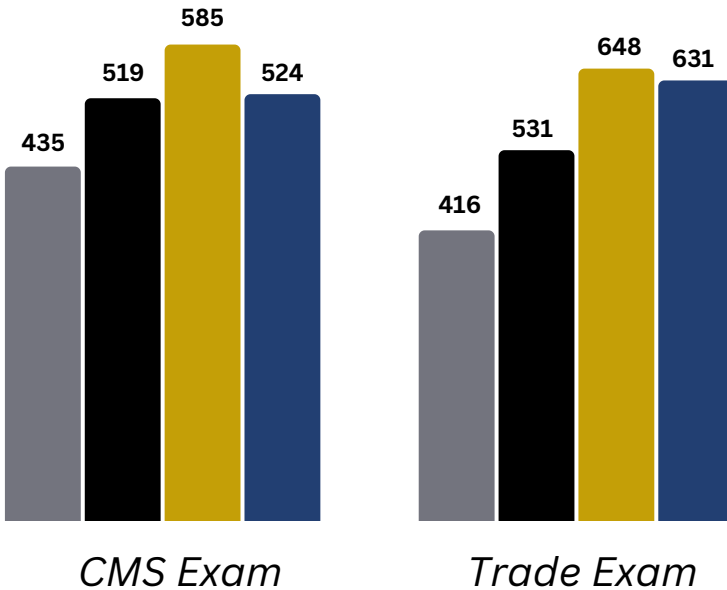
## NEW LICENSE APPLICATIONS



## NEW LICENSE APPLICATIONS BY CLASSIFICATION

Classification	Trade	In State	Out of State	Total
A	General Engineering	37	59	96
B	General Building	96	84	180
C-1	Plumbing	38	14	52
C-2	Electrical	45	66	111
C-3	Carpentry	38	19	57
C-4	Painting	33	5	38
C-5	Concrete	21	3	24
C-15	Roofing & Siding	18	16	34
C21	Refrigeration & Air Conditioning	43	13	56
<b>ALL CLASSIFICATION TOTALS</b>		<b>369</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>648</b>

## Q3 COMPARISON



Third-quarter new license applications increased, reaching the highest level of any quarter from fiscal year 2022-23 to present, indicating continued growth. Processing times for new applications rose by just five days, reflecting the higher volume of applications received during the quarter.

Trade exam activity decreased slightly this quarter, with 17 fewer exams than in the previous year. CMS exams also saw a modest decline, dropping by 61 compared to last year's third quarter.

Licensing activity continues to grow, with a 3% increase compared to the third quarter of last year, bringing the total number of active licenses to 19,002.

# Licensing - Quarter Highlights

**New B-7 Restricted License Application Checklist**

SB130 provides a process for the Board to issue a restricted license to an applicant that authorizes the individual to perform certain work for which a contractor's license is required, within the scope and monetary limit of the restricted license. This bill is effective as of October 1, 2025.

The B-7 restricted license will allow the remodeling and improvement of an existing, detached, stand-alone single-family residence or single-family residential unit within a structure that does not extend more than three stories above the ground and one story below the ground. However, this restricted license does not authorize the holder to increase the existing enclosed space of the residential structure.

**Restrictions:**

- Individuals granted a restricted license may not perform life safety trades or work exceeding \$7,000 including labor and materials.
- The restricted license is valid for two years, at which time it can be renewed or the individual can apply for a non-restricted license meeting all existing requirements.

**Qualifications/Requirements:**

- Applicants must demonstrate at least two years of experience in a certain trade;
- Procure and maintain a surety or cash bond of \$2,000 or higher as determined by the Board; and
- Complete a business counseling or similar class with a minimum number of hours as determined by the Board and complete within one year, prior to applying for the restricted license;
- A Business and Law (BMLS) exam will be required.

**BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION, THE FOLLOWING ARE REQUIRED:**

- All signatures required within the application
- Resume of Experience ([Attachment 1](#))
- Meet experience requirement by providing one (or more) of the following:
  - Four Certification of Work Experience Forms ([Attachment 2](#));
  - Alternative training in a program which is offered at an accredited college or university, apprenticeship or equivalent program accepted by the Board; or
  - Completion of any other program or obtaining any other qualification acceptable by the Board.
- Background Disclosure Statement and Fingerprint Background Waiver forms for ALL persons listed on the application
- Copies of driver's licenses or government-issued IDs for all persons listed on the application
- Financial Statement (see [Attachment 3](#))
- Child Support Information Statement - Sole Proprietors ONLY
- For your reference, please keep a copy of your application

Note: All other requirements outlined within the application will be required to obtain a B-7 restricted license.

## B-7 Restricted License Applications Available

The NSCB is now accepting applications for the new B-7 Restricted License which was created under SB130 during the 2025 Legislative session. This license allows individuals to perform limited nonstructural residential work up to \$7,000 per project, while working toward a full contractor's license. Applicants need at least two years of trade experience, proof of experience or education, recent business coursework, and a \$2,000 bond or deposit. No trade exam is required and it does not allow structural work, project splitting to bypass limits, expanding living spaces, or life-safety trades.

## NSCB Expands Spanish-Language Contractor Exams

The NSCB now offers Spanish-language exams through PSI for 13 contractor license classifications and the Construction Management Survey (CMS) exam, including General Engineering, Residential Remodeling (B-7), Electrical, Plumbing, Roofing, and more.

This update supports Nevada's diverse workforce by improving access for Spanish-speaking applicants. All candidates must still pass the required exam for their license classification before obtaining a contractor's license.



In Quarter 3, new contractor applications from Veterans increased by 36% compared to Q3 of the 2024-2025 period. This growth was complemented by a 56% rise in Veteran renewals, indicating not only stronger outreach but also continued participation in the construction industry among Veterans.

# Investigations - Background Check Trends

The Nevada State Contractors Board is authorized under NRS 624.265 to request fingerprints from all applicants for licensure for the purposes of conducting criminal background checks, which are used to access the character of an applicant and verify accuracy and/or omission of information provided on the license application. The Board's use of criminal justice databases is monitored and audited by the State of Nevada and the FBI for compliance with applicable rules, regulations, policies and procedures.



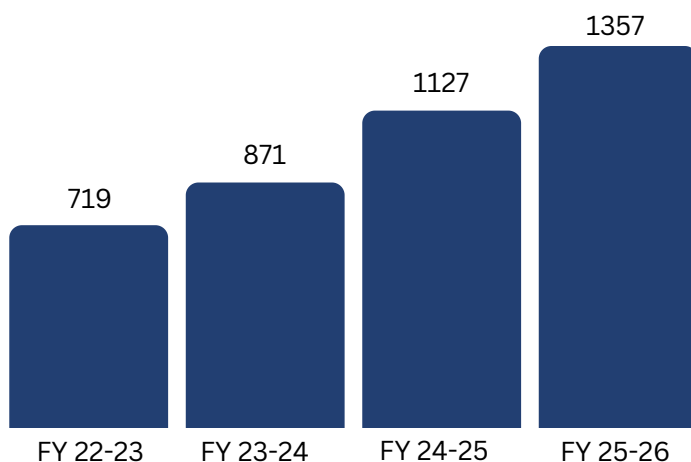
## BACKGROUND CHECK STATISTICS

<b>Fingerprint Cards Submitted</b>	<b>1357</b>
<b>Applicants with Criminal Histories</b>	<b>370</b>
<b>Applicants without Criminal Histories</b>	<b>987</b>
<b>Criminal Histories</b>	<b>27%</b>

### 42 Background Investigations Initiated

- 45 Investigations Pending
- 50 Investigations Closed
- 0 Administrative Citations issued for misrepresentation

### FINGERPRINTS SUBMITTED DURING 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER



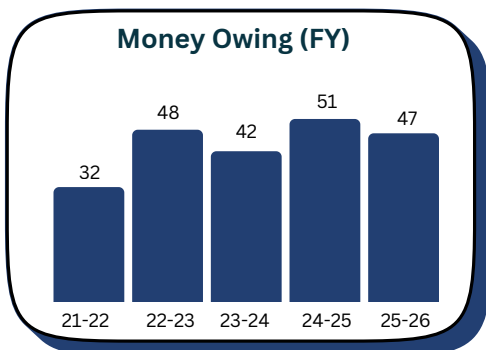
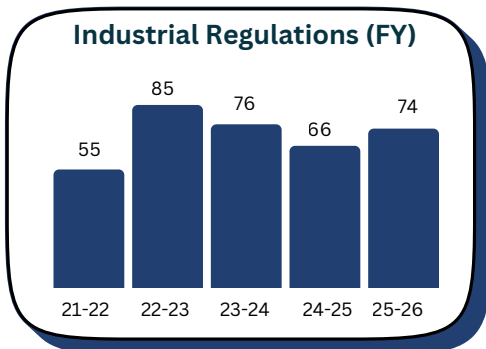
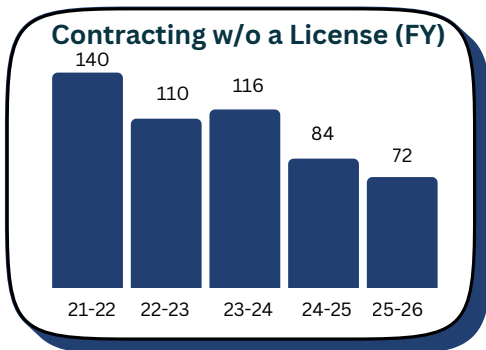
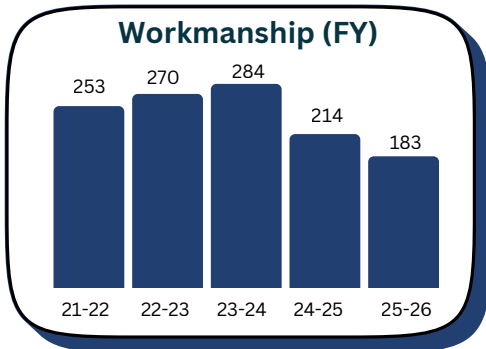
## BACKGROUND INTERVIEWS AID APPLICATION PROCESS

Interviews with applicants whose history reveals criminal activities of concern afford an opportunity for a more in-depth analysis and evaluation before deciding if the conviction would disqualify the applicant.

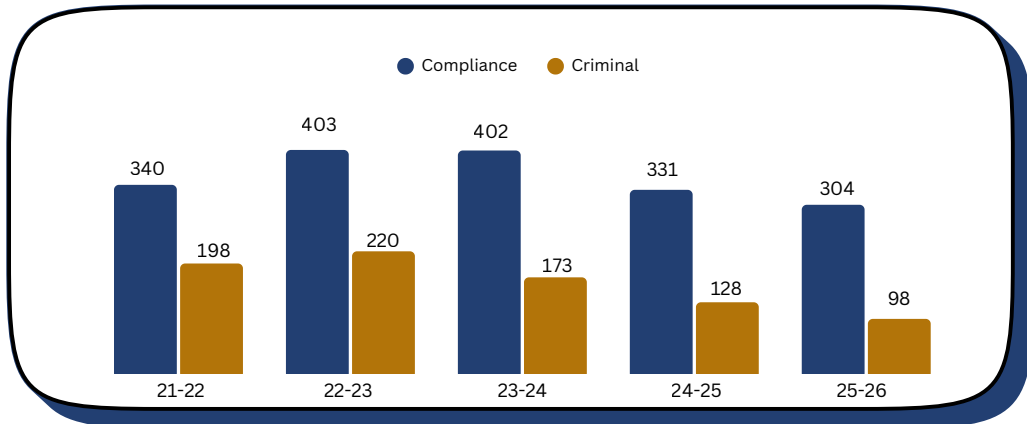
Four applicants were interviewed for this purpose during the reporting period. All applicants were recommended for approval of licensure.

# Investigations - Quarter Statistics

## 3rd QUARTER COMPLAINTS BY FISCAL YEAR



## Compliance v. Criminal Open Cases 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Comparison



## 65 ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS ISSUED

- **Licensed Contractors: 32**
  - \$54,200.00 in Fines
  - \$31,925.00 in Costs
- **Unlicensed Contractors: 33**
  - \$80,800.00 in Fines
  - \$30,400.00 in Costs

## 402 COMPLAINTS OPENED

- 183 workmanship
- 72 Contracting w/o License
- 74 Industrial Regulation
- 47 Money Owing
- 24 Unlawful Advertising
- 2 Criminal Fraud

## 15 DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS

- 0 Licenses Revoked

## 1 CRIMINAL AFFIDAVITS FILED WITH DA OFFICES

## 36 CEASE & DESIST ORDERS ISSUED TO UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS

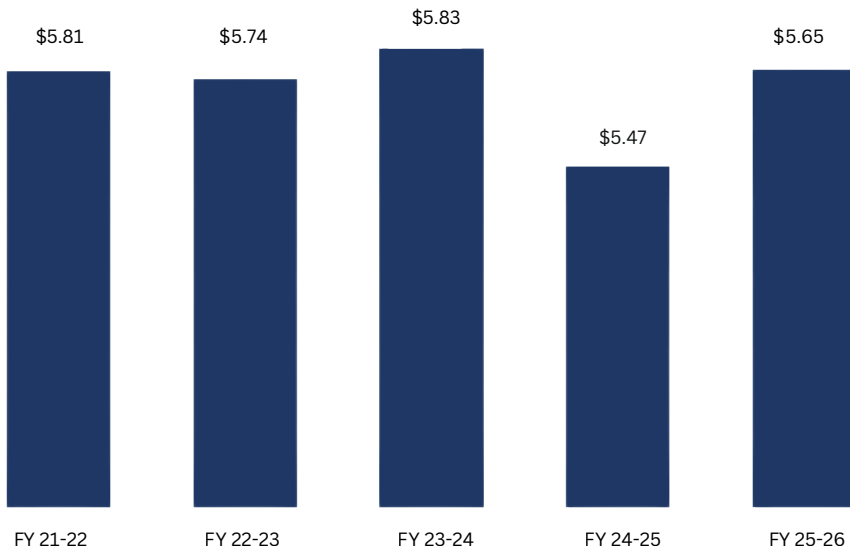
## Construction Defects

The Board is authorized under Nevada law to handle questions or disputes about construction defects, such as whether repairs are needed, how they should be done, whether completed repairs are adequate, and the rights and responsibilities of both claimants and contractors.

During the quarter 3 reporting period, no construction defect complaints were received by the Board.

# Investigations - Residential Recovery Fund

## RESIDENTIAL RECOVERY FUND BALANCE 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER COMPARISON (in millions)



- 7 Claims Opened
- 28 Claims Closed
- 20 Claims considered by the Committee
- 19 Claims awarded a total of \$280,856.25
- Average award amount: \$14,782

## RESIDENTIAL RECOVERY FUND ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

The Residential Recovery Fund is designed to assist homeowners who have experienced losses due to properly licensed contractors. Claimants are encouraged to explore other avenues for recovery, such as surety bonds or cash bonds, before seeking assistance from the Fund.

It is essential to note that the Fund does not guarantee the recovery of the entire loss. If a claimant has already received compensation from other sources, the Fund will deduct that amount from the claim, paying the difference from the Fund.

The Residential Recovery Fund is available exclusively to homeowners of single-family residences who meet the following criteria:

The Fund is not available to homeowners who have hired unlicensed contractors or those who do not reside in single-family residences.

# Investigations - Case Highlights

## **Prosecution of Habitual Contractor Offender**

Nevada contractor, Jon Thomas Banning, owner of JTB Landscaping, was sentenced to four to ten years in prison after being arrested on a felony warrant for fraud-related charges.

Investigators found he took over \$308,000 in deposits from homeowners, many seniors, for landscaping and pool projects he never started or completed, and refused to issue refunds. The case followed multiple complaints and an investigation by the NSCB leading to criminal charges by the Attorney General's Office.

## **Former Contractor Faces Additional Complaint and Active Warrants**

On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Board received another complaint involving former contractor Brett Benson, doing business as Security Screen Masters (License No. 81295, C-3 - Revoked). Benson has an extensive criminal history and was convicted in 2024 of theft and unlicensed contracting. He received a suspended sentence of four to ten years in Nevada State Prison and was placed on probation.

On March 13, 2025, Benson violated his probation and now has an active arrest warrant, along with a separate bench warrant related to theft charges.

## **Eagle Innovators, LLC Disciplinary Case Resolved**

A Disciplinary Hearing for Eagle Innovators, LLC in November 2025, addressed seven consumer complaints alleging abandonment, fund diversion, and nonpayment for services. The case was continued for 60 days to allow corrective action.

At the February 4, 2026 hearing, the Respondent showed all complainants were reimbursed and subcontractors paid. The Administrative Law Judge found the Respondent liable on 10 allegations, 1 as moot, and imposed \$3,000 in fines plus fees and costs, all of which have been paid.

## **Building Skills and Protecting the Community**

SIU investigators took part in two community-focused initiatives that highlighted their commitment to education and public outreach.

Investigators joined the annual NSCB Tools Drive, delivering donated tools to four local high schools. The event aimed to support workforce development and encourage students to explore careers in the skilled trades, providing them with resources to begin building hands-on experience.

NSCB investigators also attended the South Summerlin HOA Senior Fair. There, they connected with local residents, offering practical guidance on how to recognize warning signs when hiring contractors. Their efforts helped raise awareness and equipped attendees with the knowledge needed to avoid falling victim to unlawful contracting activity.

Together, these efforts reflect SIU's ongoing dedication to strengthening the community through education, prevention, and support.

## **Door-to-Door Contractor Scams on the Rise**

Be alert for groups of unlicensed contractors going door to door offering services such as painting, roofing, or paving. These individuals often rely on high-pressure or scare tactics to rush homeowners into making quick decisions. A common pitch is they have just finished a nearby job and have leftover materials available at a discounted price. These scams frequently target seniors and immigrant communities, and payment is often demanded in cash.

To protect yourself, always ask for a contractor's license number and a written contract that clearly lists the company name, license number, and total project cost. You can verify a license by contacting the State Contractors Board at 702-486-1100 or 775-688-1141.

# Information Technology

## TOP 10 SEARCHED ITEMS

During the quarter, web traffic was up 8.5% compared to the previous quarter. Visitors from web searches were interested in licensing and regulatory topics. The top 10 search terms during the period were:

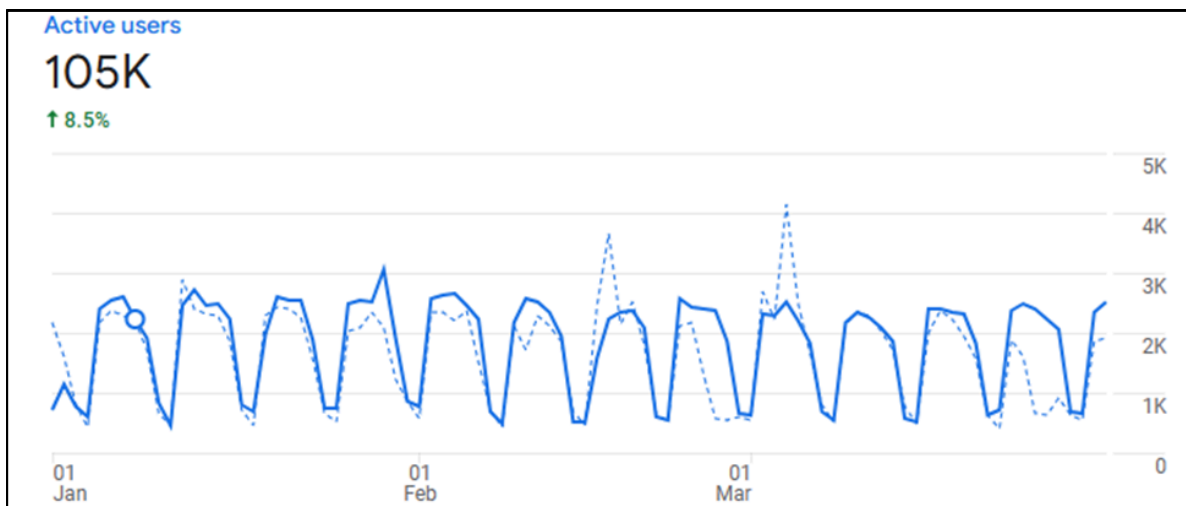
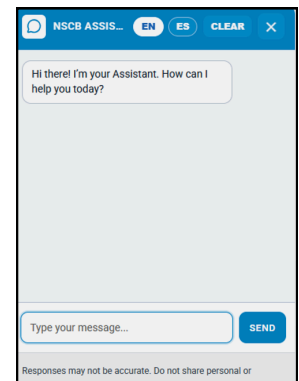
- Handyman
- Forms
- Reciprocity
- Renewal
- Bond
- Deposit Limit
- Fingerprint
- State Equivalency Chart
- Log In
- Lien

These search trends indicate continued demand for information related to licensing requirements, compliance, and application processes, particularly for handymen. The prominence terms such as forms, bond and fingerprint suggests users are actively navigating procedural steps.

## AI CHATBOT USAGE AND ONGOING EVALUATION UPDATE

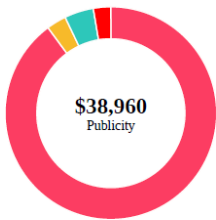
AI chatbot was launched in mid-February to enhance user engagement and streamline access to information. Training data is being continuously refined based on early performance and usage patterns to improve accuracy and user experience.

Website traffic increased compared to the previous quarter, consistent with a recurring seasonal pattern of higher traffic following the holiday period observed over multiple years.



# Public Information Office

Publicity by Media Type

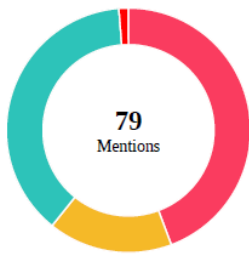


● TV ● Radio ● Online News ● YouTube

## Hammers and Hope Event

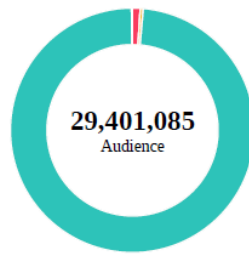
This year's Hammers and Hope event received significant media attention, being mentioned 43 times across various media outlets. These mentions reached a combined audience of 331,369 viewers, allowing for substantial public exposure. The media attention the event received was valued at over \$38,000 demonstrating significant return on investment from this event.

Mentions by Media Type



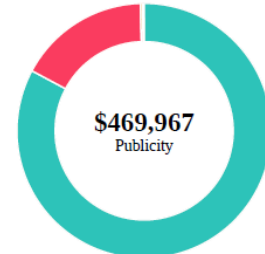
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Audience by Media Type



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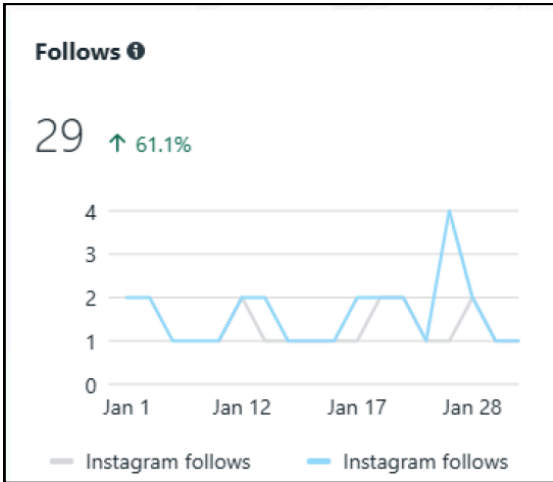
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Media analytics for the quarter reached an all-time high, demonstrating significant growth in audience engagement and brand visibility. From January through March, the brand received a total of 79 media mentions, reaching an estimated audience of over 29 million across various platforms.

- Television: The NSCB appeared in broadcasts reaching 297,000 viewers, resulting in a calculated media value of \$78,500. These placements included key markets and high profile programs, amplifying the visibility and credibility of our messaging.
- Radio: Across multiple stations, the brand reached 117,000 listeners, generating a media value of \$1,268. Radio coverage contributed to audience engagement in both Northern and Southern Nevada, reinforcing brand presence and awareness.

Including Social Media content, the quarterly publicity value exceeded \$469,000, highlighting the strong return on media exposure and the effectiveness of our communications strategy. These results reflect not only the quantity of coverage but also the quality of reach, positioning the brand favorably for continuing growth in the coming months.

# Public Information Office - Social Media Report



In January, Instagram viewship increased by 61.1% highlighted by the Tools Drive post that reached over 13,000 views and generated nearly 250 interactions, helping boost visibility and community involvement.



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Facebook saw its strongest performance in February, gaining over 100 new followers compared to January. The top-performing post, covering the sentencing of unlicensed contractor John Thomas Banning, owner of JTB Landscaping, reached more than 36,000 views. This same post was also LinkedIn's top performer for the month, generating over 22,000 impressions

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**BREAKING NEWS**

**CONTRACTOR SENTENCED TO 4 TO 10 YEARS IN PRISON ON FELONY CHARGES AS A RESULT OF NSCB INVESTIGATION**

Nevada licensed contractor, Jon Thomas Banning, owner of JTB Landscaping, was sentenced to 4 to ten years in prison. Banning had an outstanding felony arrest warrant that charged him with eight felony counts related to multiple transactions involving fraud or deceit.

[READ MORE AT THE LINK IN THE CAPTION](#)

Instagram's top post in March highlighted this year's Hammers and Hope event during National Women in Construction Week, earning 1.7K views. LinkedIn also saw strong growth, with a 33% increase in page views and more than 100 new followers. The Hammers and Hope event was LinkedIn's top post as well, generating 1,485 impressions.

# Looking Forward - Quarter 3

Looking ahead, the following initiatives outline key priorities focused on improving accessibility, efficiency, collaboration, and service delivery. These efforts support the organization's commitment to modernization, stakeholder engagement, and equitable access to programs and services.

- Improve licensing process by reviewing current systems, simplifying paperwork, fixing delays, and expanding access for applicants from more states and language backgrounds.
- Strengthen enforcement by improving investigator training, expanding hands-on learning, and increasing proactive efforts.
- Improving public awareness and education about licensing and construction laws through events, partnerships, and updated online resources.
- Continuing training for Board Members in key areas while increasing their presence at community events and aim to build stronger connections with construction-related organizations to support legislative engagement.
- Upgrading technology to improve security by making information access and management more secure and cost-effective.

Together, these strategic initiatives position the organization to better serve licensees, partners, and the public by enhancing operational effectiveness, expanding access, and strengthening collaborative relationships. Continued focus on these priorities will support long-term success and responsiveness to evolving needs.



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