

# North Iowa Builders Exchange 2024 Annual Report

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## 2024 Achievements

### Membership



2024 Members: 64  
2025 Goal: 100

### NIBE Scholarship

Awards: 2  
Total Scholarship Value: \$1000/Student  
High Schools Represented in Scholarship Applications: Central Springs, Lake Mills, Tripoli, Mason City, Algona

### NIBE Scholarship Golf Tournament



Teams: 13  
Sponsors: 11  
Funds raised: \$3,300

This year's golf outing was held at Pioneer Town & Country Club. Thank you to the members who participated!



Supporting future workforce is a priority for the Builders Exchange. The NIACC Design Build plays an important role in developing talent and interest in the trades.

### NIACC Design Build

Teams: 12  
Students: 48  
Funds Donated: \$1200 for Student Shirts  
Prizes Donated: 3 Cordless Toolkits

### Board Leadership

Jason Blickenderfer, President  
Steve Blickenderfer  
Troy Elwood  
Mike Kohler  
Melinda McGregor

Don O'Connor  
Megan Peterson  
Lindsay Schmidt  
Casey Waechter  
Colleen Frein, Secretary, Administrator



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## 2025 Priorities & Events



### Membership

The Board of Directors aims to grow the organization's membership from 64 members in 2024 to 100 members in 2025. The Board is planning a targeted campaign to reach out to former members and potential new members.

### NIBE Scholarship

This is a crucial way to support future workforce. The Board of Directors will open applications in January for students who are pursuing a career in the trades. Two students will be selected to receive up to \$1000 each in scholarship funding.

### North Iowa Home & Landscaping Show March 14-16, 2025

NIBE is once again sponsoring the annual North Iowa Home & Landscaping Show. The 2025 North Iowa Builders Exchange Membership Directory will be available for all attendees to take home at the event!



Home & Landscaping  
Show Details

### North Iowa Housing Conference April 24, 2025

North Iowa Area Council of Governments (NIACOG) is hosting its inaugural Housing Conference. The NIBE Board of Directors has offered its full support of the event, including partnering with the Mason City Chamber of Commerce to host a Business After Hours for attendees and community members.



Housing  
Conference Details

### NIBE Scholarship Golf Tournament July 2025

This favorite event will return in 2025! Board members are open to suggestions for which course to host the tournament at this year. Feel free to reach out with suggestions, and please consider playing in the tournament or supporting as a sponsor!