

2023 Women in Construction: Wendy Cross, Haynes Group, Inc.

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What was your greatest professional achievement or most notable project in the last 12 months? Working on the Arcadian Hotel and Airport Rd. project were both rewarding and intensive learning experiences. Both these projects had many different aspects, especially the Arcadian hotel that was three different phases.

How are you involved in community organizations and/or charities? I have been very involved in my town as a coach, committee member on local boards and helping charities whenever possible. My last child is heading off to college this upcoming fall so hope to get back involved with more charities. It is very satisfying to know that you have helped someone better their day even with something as simple as a smile.

What tips or advice would you offer to other women who are considering entering the construction industry? I would give the same advice to any person who was interested in going into a nontraditional field. Go for it. Anyone can do any job as long as you put your mind and heart into it. Hard work will get you many places. Don't ever be afraid to take the leap! Its all in your attitude.

What made you interested in seeking a career in the AEC industry? It was a great surprise to enjoy working in the AEC industry but I wasn't looking for it. In the accounting/finance field, you can be working in any industry and the basics are all the same.

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