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## **Building a legacy: PWC-CT celebrates 20 years of empowering women in construction - Marking two decades of progress, advocacy, and opportunity**

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PWC-CT 2024 board members

New Haven, CT For the past two decades, the Professional Women in Construction Connecticut Chapter (PWC-CT) has been at the forefront of change – championing the advancement of women in construction, engineering, architecture, and related industries. What started as a vision to create more opportunities for women in a traditionally male-dominated field has grown into a thriving organization that has transformed careers, empowered professionals, and reshaped the industry’s landscape in Connecticut and beyond.

PWC-CT 2024 scholarship winners

### A Legacy of Support and Mentorship

Since its founding in 2005, PWC-CT has created a dynamic platform where professionals at all stages of their careers can connect, learn, and grow. Through networking events, professional development programs, mentorship initiatives, and industry collaborations, the organization has

fostered an environment where women can thrive.

One of PWC-CT's most impactful contributions has been its scholarship program, which has awarded an astounding \$639,000 to 217 students pursuing careers in construction-related fields. These scholarships have not only provided financial relief but have also paved the way for internships, mentorships, and career-launching opportunities that continue to shape the industry's future.

Beyond financial support, PWC-CT has served as a catalyst for change, advocating for greater representation of women in leadership roles, bridging the gender gap in construction, and fostering an inclusive workforce that benefits businesses and communities alike.

## PWC-CT 2025 Southern New England Private School event

### Celebrating Milestones at the Wings of Legacy Gala

To commemorate this remarkable journey, PWC-CT will host its 20th Anniversary Gala, Wings of Legacy, on June 5, 2025, at The New England Air Museum in Windsor Locks, Conn. More than just a celebration, the event will serve as a reflection on the organization's achievements, the evolution of women's roles in construction, and the bright future ahead.

Attendees will have the opportunity to network with industry leaders, celebrate the impact of PWC-CT, and support the continued growth of women in the field. The event will also highlight key initiatives that will propel the organization forward, ensuring that the next generation of women continues to break barriers and achieve success.

### Looking Ahead: The Next Chapter

While the past 20 years have been filled with milestones and achievements, PWC-CT remains focused on the future. With a continued commitment to education, advocacy, and mentorship, the organization aims to expand its reach, create new opportunities, and inspire more women to build rewarding careers in construction.

As Dawn Meeker, president of PWC-CT, said, "We are excited to celebrate this significant milestone and continue our mission of empowering women in construction. This anniversary is not just about looking back – it's about paving the way forward."

As PWC-CT embarks on its next chapter, its mission remains clear: to uplift, support, and empower women in construction for generations to come.

For more information about the 20th Anniversary Gala, scholarship opportunities, or how to get involved with PWC-CT, visit [www.pwc-ct.org](http://www.pwc-ct.org).

