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FROM THE PRESIDENT

September 2026 President's Message –Building Relationships. Growing Together. Giving Back.

As we move into September, I continue to be reminded that the strength of the Franklin County Homebuilders Association is found in the relationships we build—with our members, sponsors, businesses, community leaders, and the communities we proudly serve.

Our HBA continues to experience tremendous momentum in **membership, sponsorship, professional development, and community involvement**. August was another great example of what can happen when our HBA Family comes together with a common purpose.

Our August Social, “**Connect. Unwind. Give Back.**”, brought more than 100 members, friends, businesses, and community leaders together at our HBA venue in Downtown Franklinton. The evening focused on the importance of giving back and featured community leaders sharing their experiences and ideas about making a positive difference in the communities we serve.

A special **thank you to Julie Wright and her team** for hosting such a memorable event and for their continued commitment to the HBA through membership and sponsorship. Julie has been a lifelong member and supporter of our association, and we sincerely appreciate the investment she and her team continue to make in our HBA Family and our communities.

August also brought another important opportunity for professional growth through our **Builders Roundtable**. Licensed General Contractors came together with guest speakers to discuss specific topics affecting the construction industry, share experiences, and explore ways to improve and become better in the business of General Contracting. These conversations are another example of how our HBA provides value beyond networking—we create opportunities to learn from one another and strengthen our industry.

We were also proud to celebrate the accomplishments of our members recognized through the 2026 Stars Awards program by the North Carolina Home Builders Association. Nine Stars Awards were presented to several Franklin County Homebuilders Association members, recognizing achievements within the home building industry across North Carolina. Congratulations to all of our recipients!

Looking ahead, September brings another exciting first for our association: the **HBA's First-Ever Realtors Roundtable**. Licensed Realtors will have an opportunity to come together, discuss topics affecting today's real estate market, share ideas, and explore ways to strengthen and improve our industry. Building stronger relationships between builders, Realtors, lenders, trades, suppliers, and other professionals ultimately makes our entire industry stronger.

As I reflect on where our HBA is today, I believe our greatest accomplishment is the culture we are creating together. We are growing our membership, strengthening our sponsorships, expanding our community relationships, recognizing achievement, sharing knowledge, and—most importantly—building an HBA Family that supports one another.

Together, we are building more than homes. We are building relationships, businesses, opportunities, and stronger communities.

Thank you for being part of our journey and for helping make the Franklin County Homebuilders Association an organization we can all be proud to call our own.

Steven Hayes

President

Franklin County Homebuilders Association

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The
Date*

REMINDER

September 15

Craftsman Legacy
Scholarship
Reverse Raffle

September 23

Realtor's Roundtable

September 29

Continuing Education
with Randy Pace

October 2

Parade of Homes
Judging Day

**October 3-4, 10-11
& 17-18**

Parade of Homes
Open House

October 7

Parade of Homes Gala

October 22

Clay Shoot Tournament

November 2-4

SHED & VOLT Event

November 4

Builders Roundtable

November 5

Business After Hours

November 12

Annual Oyster Roast
hosted by
Triangle Risk Advisors

November 13

Continuing Education
with Randy Pace

December 10

Annual Christmas Party,
Membership Meeting
and Toy Drive

NEW MEMBERS

***We're so happy to welcome the
following new businesses
who joined us in August 2026!***

**Truswood, Inc
East Coast Construction
Serenity Masonry
Tar River Interiors
LX Realty
Maplewood Construction
Encompass Financial Partners
Treysons
Dedicated Dumpster Service**

CRAFTSMAN **LEGACY** SCHOLARSHIP

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SEPT,
2026

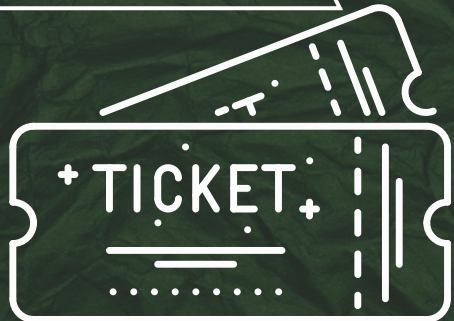


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REALTOR ROUND TABLE

CONNECT • COLLABORATE • CLOSE MORE TOGETHER

***"It's Not Buyer v. Seller...
It's Both Agents
vs. the Problems"***

Great transactions don't come from winning against each other—they come from working together.

Join local REALTORS® for an engaging round table discussion on how listing agents and buyer's agents can collaborate to solve problems, protect their clients' interests, and create smoother, more successful closings.



Better Agents
Better Clients
Better Community



WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 23, 2026



NOON – 1:30 PM



**FRANKLIN COUNTY HOME
BUILDERS ASSOCIATION**
18 S. Franklin Street
Franklinton, NC 27525

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- ✓ Collaborative problem-solving
- ✓ Shared experiences & strategies
- ✓ Building stronger professional relationships
- ✓ Better outcomes for our clients



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See you there!



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Parade *of* Homes

IMPORTANT PARADE DATES

✓ **MAY 19** KICK-OFF COOK-OFF; EARLY BIRD ENTRIES & PRICING

✓ **MAY 20 – JUL 10** REGULAR PARADE ENTRIES & PRICING

✓ **AUG 3** FINAL DRAFTS (RENDERINGS); FINAL DRAFTS (ADS)

OCT 2 JUDGING DAY

OCT 7 PARADE OF HOMES GALA

OCT 3–4 PARADE OF HOMES OPEN HOUSE WEEKENDS

OCT 10–11

OCT 17–18

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FRANKLIN COUNTY

Parade *of* Homes

JOIN US FOR THE PARADE OF HOMES

AWARDS *gala*

PINEHILL PAVILION

COCKTAIL HOUR | 5:30

10 | 7 | 26

AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING CELEBRATING
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CLAY SHOOTING TOURNAMENT

Thursday, October 22, 2026

Check in begins at 8:30am

Tournament begins at 9:30am

Lunch to follow the tournament

Attention, Shooting Enthusiasts!
Prepare for an ADRENALINE
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This requirement stems back to our roots and strong ties with the NCHBA, demonstrating our long-lasting commitment to the construction industry.

Benefits of HBA Membership



3-IN-1 MEMBERSHIP

When you join your local association, you become a member of all three levels of the NAHB federation: local, state, and national. That's three memberships for the price of one!



A VOICE

As your advocate in your local area, Raleigh, and on Capitol Hill, the HBA develops and provides legislative and regulatory representation on behalf of the home building industry. These actions help defeat excessive regulations and defend affordable housing.

NETWORKING AND LEADS



Your local HBA will provide invaluable networking opportunities to meet other professionals in your local community. HBA's promote doing business with members and each networking event is an opportunity to gain a new business lead.

SAVINGS

NCHBA members are eligible for discounts and rebates:



- The NCHBA Member Rebate Program is designed to reward

members for loyalty by specifying the manufacturers to your subcontractors. No receipts are needed, and the average rebate per Builder/Remodeler is over \$1500.

- The NAHB Member Advantage Program provides members with various discounts from cell services and vehicles to an additional daily 2% discount on your Lowe's accounts receivable purchases and more.



New 24/7 ChatBot Now Live on [HBArebates.com!](https://HBArebates.com)

HBA Rebates just launched a ChatBot that gives your builder members instant, 24/7 access to:



Manufacturer
rebate details



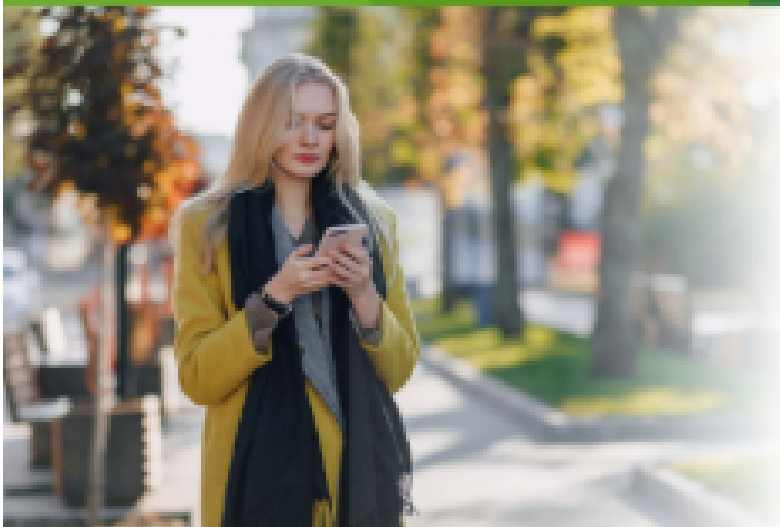
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Member Savings at Lowe's

NCHBA members can receive [exclusive savings at Lowe's](#) through the retailer's partnership with the National Association of Home Builders.



[Contractor Pricing](#)

Up to 10% off retail price online and at the Lowe's Pro desk. Member Volume Discount is also available.

Up to 10% off

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Why Join NCHBA Group Insurance Trust?



Did You Know...



Fully-insured medical plan options are offered through Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina



Each member firm has an annual renewal **date of July 1st** but you can join anytime throughout the year



Ancillary Benefits:
Dental, Vision,
AD&D, Group Life,
Disability

Joining Together with other NCHBA members means...



Cost stability and lowered risk.

NCHBA Group Insurance Trust is fully underwritten through BCBSNC, giving you premiums based on your employees' experience, plus long-term rate stability and more predictable renewals.



Better benefit options.

Together, NCHBA organizations can access benefit options that may not be available to you as an individual employer.



Using powerful and intuitive tech.

NCHBA Group Insurance Trust utilizes Benefitsolver for eligibility and enrollment. Enter all benefits information into a single system and receive a single Invoice for all lines of coverage.



Saying goodbye to service hotlines.

NCHBA Group Insurance Trust partners with Businessolver, so you'll have a dedicated Account Manager you can contact directly with any plan questions.

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Benefits of Our Plan

Offered exclusively to NCHBA organizations, NCHBA Group Trust harnesses the collective buyingpower of ourmembersto gain accesstomore affordableandflexible health insurance.

Theplanoffers secureandstable rates underwritten by**BlueCrossandBlue Shield ofNorth Carolina**, the largest insurance network in the country.

Members are given a designated Account Manager through **Businessolver** to answer all their plan questions.

Key Services



Enrollment & Billing

- Benefitsolver® industry leader in eligibility & enrollment technology
- Single point of entry for all insurance carriers
 - One combined invoice that includes all lines of coverage and is remitted to all carriers
- Built-in COBRA management efficiently processes information alongside other eligibility and enrollment data
- Employees can make their own benefit elections via self-service



Accounting

- Collection and payment of premium contributions
 - Reconciliation for vendors and for each member group's account
- Monthly preparation of financial statements and reconciliations
- Record keeping for funds in and out



Risk Mitigation

- Accurate, secure files promptly transmitted to insurance carriers
- Regular audits to prevent costly errors
- Secure document retention system builds a solid paper trail



Compliance

- Annual audit and Form 5500 support
- Available 1094/1095 reporting support
- CMS and M-1 Filings are completed by the Trust at the Trust level

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Have questions about your health benefits?

Here's a quick cheat sheet to know who to call!

Your Insurance Broker

Advises on specifics of your plan

- Recommends plan options
- Advises on your plan set-up and coverages
- Answers employer/ employee contribution questions
- Assists with claims questions and concerns
- Provides ongoing employer consultation
- Assists with open enrollment

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina

Underwrites the policy and sets rates

- Distributes ID Cards
- Answers claims/benefits questions
- Pays claims
- Confirms if provider is in network
- Sets annual premium rates
- Determines plan design options
- Applies premium payments
- Provides Creditable Coverage Letter

Businessolver

Manages billing and eligibility

- Provides training on Benefitsolver
- Answers system questions for open enrollment
- Assists with employment changes
- Administers COBRA
- Produces invoices and posts to Benefitsolver
- Answers all billing questions

Your Association

Marketing and administrative support

- Accepts premium payments
- Remits Association premium payments to carriers
- Sponsors the Trust program
- Oversees Plan with the Trustees

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NCHBA Benefits Trust Member Health Plan

Keeping the focus local

- NCHBA Group Insurance Trust is organized for and by NCHBA member firms and is offered exclusively to members only.
- When you enroll in the NCHBA Group Insurance Trust, you have the ability to directly influence the direction of the program and keep the decisions in North Carolina with you and your NCHBA peers.

Cost stability and lowered risk

- The Plan is fully underwritten through Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina, giving you premiums based on your employees' experience, plus the protection of pooling together with other organizations to provide long term rating stability and more predictable renewals.
- More predictable and stable rates mean less of an increase passed on to your employees.

Better Together

- By pooling with other NCHBA member firms, you have access to benefit options that may not be available to you as an individual employer.
- This gives your employees access to much more robust benefits, even as small employer.

Powerful and intuitive tech

- The Plan utilizes **Benefitsolver**, the industry leader in eligibility and enrollment technology.
- Enter all benefits information (both enrollment and eligibility) into a single system.
All information is stored and transferred in a secure environment, which means your employees' personal data is safe.
- You will receive a single invoice for all lines of coverage offered through the Plan.

Real people. No hotlines.

- The plan partners with Businessolver to provide you with the easiest possible onboarding, training, and customer service.
- Your Account Manager knows the ins and outs of your eligibility, billing, accounting, and wellness needs.
- Even better, you can contact them *directly* anytime with eligibility, billing, and accounting questions.

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NCHBA Benefits Trust Member Health Plan

In partnership with Blue Cross and Blue Shield Of North Carolina and Select Employee Benefit Firms



What

The NC Home Builders Association has partnered with Blue Cross NC to offer a Member Group Health Plan developed specifically for qualified NCHBA employer members. Initial benefits will include medical, dental and vision through Blue Cross NC, and group life and disability through other carriers.

Why

Health insurance costs are one of the top concerns for small and large businesses across the country. Smaller employers (less than 200 employees) have very limited medical insurance options. The NCHBA Benefits Trust will give employer members another market choice with potential cost savings for qualified members.

Who

The Trust plan is offered to employer members of the NCHBA who are headquartered in North Carolina, are active members of NCHBA, have at least 2 employees, and whose business is directly related to the Home Building Industry. Spouses do not count as a second employee.

When

The official start date of the plan is July 1, 2024. Employers may join the plan at any time throughout the year. The plan will have an anniversary date of July 1.

How

The benefits will be marketed and serviced through preselected employee benefits firms who have exclusive agreements with NCHBA. Blue Cross NC will underwrite and service the medical, dental and vision benefits, while Capstone Administrators will deliver Trust services and provide participating employers with benefit administration support.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina is an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. Businessolver is an independent company that provides administration services on behalf of your health plan.



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