



## “Work in a safe and healthy manner”

NECA/IBEW Local 48 is proud of the partnership’s commitment to safety and training. Exercising good judgement on the jobsite, not only keeps all workers safe but ultimately keeps our clients safe as well.

This month, Cody Adams and Andy Busack discuss what “work in a safe and healthy manner” means to them:



### **Cody Adams, Safety and Compliance with Cochran Inc**

Cody has been with Cochran for a little over four years. For him this point is about supplying members with the information and tools they need.

“Our goal is to provide our employees the knowledge and resources to go home safely. On the employer side, it is their responsibility to invest money into the tools, training and resources their employees need – empowering them to take the needed time to do their jobs safely.

When people take shortcuts, that is when someone gets hurt. And people take shortcuts because they feel like they do not have the time to do their job correctly. Cochran has found that investing in education, prefab as well as tools that make work easier and more efficient, has helped prevent the compression on jobsites that ultimately leads an employee to feel that they need to take a shortcut.

At the end of the day, it is the employees who make the choices on the jobsite and we want to support them, so they can make the safe and correct choices.”



### **Andy Busack, Owner of Busack Electric**

Andy is a second-generation electrician, who has been in the industry since 1995 and has owned his electrical company since 2006.

“As someone who works both in the field and on the management side, I have seen first hand how unsafe practices can create a ripple effect.

If journeymen do not have access to well-maintained tools, or even the correct tools for a job, or follow the job site safety standards, then that sets the stage for unsafe things to happen. Then later the journeymen have to spend additional time and money to fix the issues which could put a project over budget or over the contracted end time. The worst thing, of course, is that someone, either a worker or a client, could get hurt. However, if we train our members well and equip them right, that excellence shows too.

The aim of every NECA/IBEW Local 48 member is to provide the safest work for our fellow members and for those who use the job site long after we leave.”

NECA/IBEW Local 48 members will continue to set the bar high on safety and training for themselves and the industry.