

HARDT

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

Building a better Bakersfield

HARDT CONSTRUCTION SERVICES (HCS) HAS BEEN PART OF the Bakersfield community since 1949. The locally owned and operated company has become the go-to full-service design and construction firm for the region.

HCS is a Bakersfield staple, remaining committed to providing premier construction and remodeling services to its clients while giving back to the community.

When the husband-and-wife dynamic duo, Tim and Michelle Hardt, joined forces to create a one-stop shop for all remodeling and construction needs, their collaborative efforts built an unstoppable entity within their industry.

Over the years, HCS has earned the reputation of exceptional craftsmanship and expertise. With this established reputation, they quickly have become one of the most sought-after construction and interior design firms in Bakersfield.

Hardt's history

The founder of Hardt Construction, Herb Hardt, started his career in Hollywood building shutters and cabinets for the film industry. In 1949, Herb and Marge Hardt (Tim's parents) moved to Bakersfield where they began their business building track homes. Thereafter, they purchased land to develop residential subdivisions and commercial buildings.

After graduating from Garces High School, Tim and Michelle were married and began working at Hardt Construction. Tim built homes with his father as the construction manager and Michelle sold real estate for the company. After his father's retirement, Tim purchased the remaining land and carried on the company name and family tradition of quality building.

Our beginnings

The couple reminisces of their early days of starting HCS, "Michelle did minor staging on model homes but was predominantly a stay-at-home-mom at the time," says Tim. Michelle then pursued her passion for interior design and worked with other design firms for years before starting their joint-business venture.

Tim comments, "In 2006, the company was awarded a large residential project, I asked her to join the company to develop and run the design department." This was a pivotal moment in the company's history, "Hardt Construction underwent several changes. We changed to a women-owned company, began performing construction trades in-house, and providing design and architectural services for our clients."

As a women-owned company, Michelle became the face of HCS, and it is now a certified Women's Business Enterprise (WBENC).



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Refining our process

The company's process has been refined throughout its history to stay up to date with industry trends and better facilitate client experience. HCS also sought to rewrite the wrongs of traditional construction, "We were able to identify the trouble spots in our industry and take them in-house to provide the highest quality control possible," says Tim.

HCS now provides a full spectrum of contracting services, expanding from building from the ground up and providing full-scale home and business remodels to offering its Small Project and Tenant Improvement Division.

'Building for the future'

The Hardts are incredibly involved in the Bakersfield community, contributing both their time and resources to numerous charitable organizations. They are proud sponsors of Boots and Gowns, an annual event that aids local organizations.

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In addition, the Hardts offer support to local medical organizations such as Dignity Health, Memorial Hospital and the Presidents' Foundation. They also help build affordable housing for the less fortunate and contribute tremendously to the Veteran community through involvement with Wounded Heroes Fund, Portrait of a Warrior Gallery and Aqua Vets.

Hardt for the win

From its early days as a small construction firm to earning a reputation for being a regional industry leader, Hardt Construction Services remains committed to providing top-quality services and making a positive impact in the Bakersfield community. ■

