

From the Foundation Board of Directors

Update on the Foundation for Mechanical Insulation Education, Training, and Industry Advancement



Mechanical Insulation
EDUCATION TRAINING ADVANCEMENT

In the first quarter of 2024, the Foundation for Mechanical Insulation Education, Training, and Industry Advancement (Foundation) Board of Directors hit the ground running, laying out plans for impressive initiatives and ways to promote the Foundation's important work.

Getting to Know the Mechanical Insulation Industry's Foundation

Did you know that the Foundation:

- Was originally established in 1997 as a committee under NIA and recently spun off into an independent 501(c)(3) organization?
- Boasts decades of support and resource development for the mechanical insulation industry, including the Insulation Energy Appraisal Program™, the biennial Industry Measurement Survey, the Mechanical Insulation Design Guide, numerous contributions to research and data development, and the content included in NIA's Education Center?
- Is funded by voluntary, annual contributions?
- Recently established the Legacy Circle Endowment Fund?

There is so much to learn about this organization! As such, the Foundation Board of Directors will be leading a panel discussion during the 2024 NIA Annual Convention. It will be an opportunity to ask your burning questions and gain insight into the Foundation's inner workings, leadership roles, structure, strategic initiatives, and recent development of the Legacy Circle Endowment Fund. You will leave with an understanding of why the Foundation is vital to the industry and why you and your company should get involved. Please note that 2024 NIA Annual Convention registration is required to attend the panel discussion.

Date: Thursday, April 18

Time: 8:00–11:00 a.m. (during the Welcome and General Session)

Location: Naples Grande Beach Resort, Naples, Florida

Welcome New Contributors

The Foundation would like to recognize the generous support of its newest contributors:

- Proto Corporation (Bronze Level, \$1,000)
- WICA Wisconsin Insulation Advancement Fund (Bronze Level, \$1,000)

The Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization, and annual contributions are tax deductible. Contribution levels include:

Platinum—\$30,000	Gold—\$5,000
Gold Elite—\$15,000	Silver—\$3,000
Gold Plus—\$10,000	Bronze—\$1,000

If you would like to make a 2024 contribution, or learn more about the Foundation and the programs it supports, please contact Kristin V. DiDomenico at foundation@insulation.org.

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More Ways to Contribute

Legacy Circle Endowment Fund

The Foundation and the work it does to advance the industry is currently supported solely by voluntary corporate contributions.

Recently, the Board of Directors approved the creation of the Legacy Circle Endowment Fund as a way for those in the industry who want to leave a personal donation to do so, allowing donors to determine if their donation will be for a specific program or put into a general fund. Contributions to the Legacy Circle Endowment Fund are fully tax-deductible donations and will serve as a permanent way to honor those who contribute.

Inaugural donors include:

- The Raymond M. Burows Education Fund (DKB, Inc.)
- Owens Corning Foundation

If you are interested in donating, or want to arrange a donation in honor of an individual, contact us at foundation@insulation.org. In addition, a copy of the donor agreement and fund policy is located at www.insulation.org/foundation/contribute/endowment.

