

OUR PEOPLE SERVE THE COMMUNITY

As a family business, one of Shapiro & Duncan's core values is "serving our community." We feel strongly about career-based education and understand the need to provide students with the knowledge of the construction career paths that could be an opportunity for them.

STEAM EXPO DRAWS ATTENTION TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

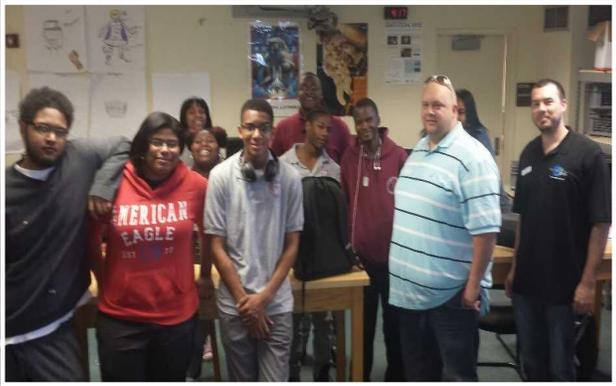


On Saturday May 3rd, Pinebrook Elementary School held its first annual STEAM Expo to engage students in relevant industries related to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math. Over thirty companies volunteered their time and resources and presented students with engaging activities such as a model train, a rocket launch, a mad scientist, kinetic models, and more! Hundreds of students and parents attended the event and were impressed with what they learned about various trades. Shapiro & Duncan was given their very own classroom to set up both our pipe tree and pipe piggy bank stations. As the pipe tree grew, kids got excited and people were coming to see what all the hype was about. Our pipe tree is used to teach kids how to properly assemble various pieces of pipe with the assistance of our employees.

Shapiro & Duncan employees also taught students how to properly measure and cut PVC pipe, which was later glued together to create a piggy bank they could take home with them. Events like these require a team of people who have a passion for construction industry, and for introducing new career opportunities to students. This event could not have been possible without all of the S&D volunteers: TJ Breslin, James Glass, John Hansberry, Tony Holsinger, and Francisco Velasquez. Our participation in the STEAM Expo is a prime example of the Shapiro & Duncan core value "Our People Serve the Community".

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MCKINLEY TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL



On April 24, our Planning Manager and BIM Coordinator spoke to the students at the McKinley Technology High School in Washington, DC for the ACE Mentoring Program . They spent about an hour teaching 20 students about the benefits of Building Information Modeling. Just a little bit of their time made a difference in the lives of the DC students, who were genuinely excited about the industry.

DC STUDENTS CONSTRUCTION TRADES FOUNDATION

The DC Construction Trades Foundation “Meet the Future” Luncheon Event took place on Friday, May 16, 2014 at the Hamilton in Washington, DC. WAMU Radio host and journalist Kojo Nnamdi was the featured speaker, who recognized scholarship winners and graduates of the Academy of Construction and Design. The event brought business and community leaders together with students for informal mentoring over lunch about careers in the building industry. CEO Sheldon Shapiro, the Luncheon chairman, joined prominent companies in the DC Metro area to congratulate, support, and award scholarships to the 2014 Academy of Construction and Design at Cardozo High School. Sheldon also spoke to the students about the benefits and rewarding experience of a construction career.



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JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY SITE TOUR AND NETWORKING



On July 17th, our friend Steven Shapiro's (no relation) Johns Hopkins University, Masters in Real Estate, Managing Construction Projects evening class was held in our training room. We had some great discussions about the importance of relationships in our industry and how we do things at Shapiro & Duncan. S&D then provided the students with dinner, a BIM presentation, and a tour of our fabrication shop. Mark Drury led the presentation and tour (along with Chris Canter & Tony Holsinger). Shapiro & Duncan continues to show a great passion for helping students on their career paths and sharing insights of the process of design and construction. Dr. Wang (Dean John Hopkins RE Program) sent a thank you note expressing his appreciation of Shapiro & Duncan's efforts in helping students launch careers.