

TIMELY THOROUGH TRUSTWORTHY

NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

In 2002, Tristar co-founders John Patterson and Steve Bruflat had a pioneering vision that none of our competitors ever imagined.

Their entrepreneurship resulted in Tristar's selection of our first big Prime contract in 2003 – ADOT's Temporary Technical Engineering Personnel – and was the springboard to our current roster of more than 20 active projects among multiple clients and more than 60 employees including 9 Principal Owners that make up our Leadership Team.

As we celebrated our 20th Anniversary last month, I am encouraged by all the challenges we've overcome – not just recently with COVID, but also the Great Recession that was in the middle of it all. There will always be business anxieties to confront (competitive, client, staffing, economic), and I am confident in the talent and abilities of our staff and our Leadership Team for continued success at Tristar.

I'm proud that a variety of our Project Teams have been recognized with multiple Partnering Awards for their dedication to each project's success, which makes Tristar one of the top CM firms in Arizona.

I'm also excited to look ahead to the next milestones for Tristar; we will continue our strong local CM presence, bolstered by recent selections for new projects in the West and East Valley, while we explore potential opportunities for Federal work in other states.

We continue to look for detail-oriented, hard-working new staff members that share your desire for quality and service to our clients – individuals that will nurture and develop Tristar for the next 20 years.

I'm honored to be part of Tristar's accomplishments over the past two decades, and am grateful to our staff of "shining stars" for being an integral part of that success!

All the Best,

John Akin, PE, President

FACEBOOK

RECENT PARTNERING AWARDS

2020 Arizona Transportation Partnering Excellence Award for MCDOT Old US 80 at Rainbow Wash

Project Team: Kat Aragon, Daniel Barton, Dustin Drudge, Morty Jim, Carlos Lara, Silvestre Mendoza, Mark Wheeler, Jeff Williams, Jim Woll

2020 Arizona Transportation Partnering Excellence Award for ADOT SR 101 Price Freeway Improvement Project

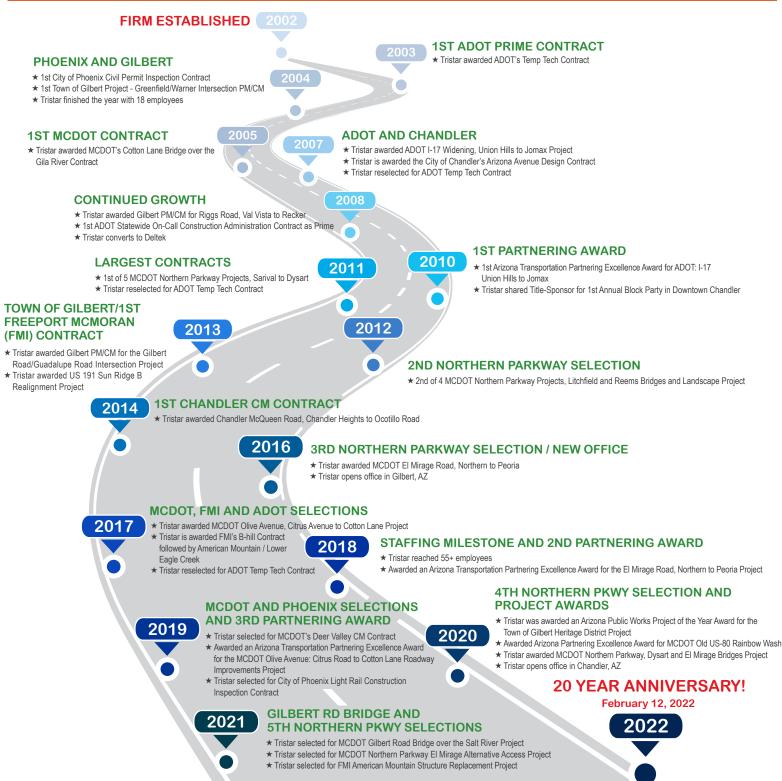
Tristar Team Members Involved: Dustin Drudge, John Hall, Casey Moore, Jonathan Taylor, and Kelly Weltzin



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MARICORA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION **EL MIRAGE ROAD: NORTHERN TO PEORIA ROADWAY WIDENING**

Tristar provided full-service CA&I and materials testing services for this project to widen the existing El Mirage Road to three lanes of travel in each direction. The roadway improvements included asphalt/concrete paving, curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveway connections, landscaped medians, drainage, signing striping, and slurry seal.

> This project received the Arizona 2018 Partnering Excellence Award

TOWN OF GILBERT

HERITAGE DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT

Tristar performed project management and utility coordination, as well as inspection of all civil items including municipal utility relocation, ADA-compliant decorative concrete sidewalks and pavement within multiple construction phases to support the ingress/egress of a new Gilbert parking structure.

> This project received the APWA 2020 Project of the Year Award



MARICOPA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION **OLIVE AVENUE: CITRUS ROAD TO COTTON LANE**

Tristar provided full service CA&I services for this project that widened a portion of Olive Avenue from two to four lanes with a striped median. The project also included the replacement of railroad crossings and signals and the realigned Olive Avenue to the south tying into the planned intersection with SR 303L.

> This project received the Arizona 2019 Partnering Excellence Award



MARICOPA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OLD US 80 AT RAINBOW WASH

Tristar provided construction administration and inspection services (CA&I) for two projects along Old US 80 in Buckeye, Arizona. During storm events, the road was often flooded and created delays for travellers. Scope of work included clearing and grubbing of the excavation area, grouted rip rap, concrete shoulder, and concrete cut-off walls.

This project received the Arizona 2020 Partnering Excellence Award



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TRISTAR WAS RECENTLY AWARDED TWO MARICOPA COUNTY **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS!**

Gilbert Road Bridge Construction Administration



Northern Parkway El Mirage Alternative Access

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HAPPY Q1 AND Q2 WORK ANNIVERSARIES!

<u>1 YEAR</u>

Todd Erickson Ron Ruiz Karla Medina Ed Ochmann Jr Dave Windsor Marisa Jacquez Jonathon VanNess David Torres

<u>2 YEARS</u> James Gibson Virginia Hernandez Travis Jones <u>3 YEARS</u> Casey Moore Anthony Holguin Mike Monaghan Max Davis Eddie Robles Scott Sanderson Karley Williams

<u>4 YEARS</u> Tom Ogle Mindy Teague 5 YEARS Kelly Weltzin Dave Fox

6 YEARS John Hall

8 YEARS Ryan Gross

11 YEARS Corum Brown

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Joe Camacho Bob Stuart 18 YEARS John Akin Bill Byerly

13 YEARS

20 YEARS Randy Gorman Rosary Cruz

Thank you for being a part of the Tristar family!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

JANUARY

Dave Fox Tonya Wisner David Torres David de Bruin Augie Lara

FEBRUARY

Carlos Lara Bobby Baker Marisa Jacquez Daniel Barton Karla Medina Karley Williams

MARCH Steve Bruflat Spencer Mendenhall

APRIL

Katherine Aragon Robert Christiansen Rosary Cruz Lisa Howard Michael Monaghan Tom Ogle

MAY Scott Sanderson

JUNE

Allen Dodd Todd Erickson Silvestre Mendoza Craig Monsen John Patterson David Pedroza Steven Tischler Kelly Weltzin

401K PLAN?

If you are not currently participating in Tristar's 401K plan, we offer a very comprehensive plan that can match a variety of investment goals for your future retirement. If you are currently participating, we encourage you to review your current amount and consider increasing your contribution. The 2022 limits are \$20,500, with an additional \$6,500 catch-up allowed for those turning 50 or older. To find out more details, please contact Rene Bailey or Aracely Hernandez at 602.288.5624 or email hr@global-az.com.

Benefits for Participation:

- ★ Contributions are pre-tax
- ★ Company matches 50% of your contributions up to 7% of annual salary
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🛪 FUN FACTS 🥱

- ★ Tristar was founded with 3 Principal Owners in 2002, and now has 9.
- ★ Tristar grew by 25% in 2020 and 2021.
- ★ Tristar was awarded 9 new contracts in 2021.

2021 NEW HIRES

Todd Erickson, Project Supervisor, 3/30/21 Ron Ruiz, Lead Inspector, 4/12/21 Karla Medina, Admin. Assistant, 4/26/21 Ed Ochmann, Lead Inspector, 5/6/21 Dave Windsor, Project Supervisor, 5/10/21 Marisa Jacquez, 5/17/2021 Jonathon VanNess, Lead Inspector, 5/27/21 Dave Torres, Field Inspector, 6/28/21 Allen Dodd, Field Inspector, 7/12/21 Spencer Mendenhall, Field Inspector, 7/12/21 Agustin Lara, Field Inspector, 8/13/21 Orlando Pineda Padilla, Field Inspector, 8/13/21 Lisa Howard, Marketing Coordinator, 8/23/21 Sean Walrath, Field Inspector, 8/30/21 Bobby J Baker, Project Supervisor, 11/1/21 David Pedroza, Inspector, 11/15/21

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