My name is Christopher Durr. I am an Associated Builders and Contractors Electrical Apprenticeship Graduate of the Class of 2022. I am also a US Marine Core Veteran who served five and a half years in Iraq. I came to ABC to advance my career. Before ABC, I was a railroad conductor for Union Pacific Railroad. The advent of technology led to remote train operations, and Union Pacific was initiating massive layoffs. I found myself at a crossroads, realizing that I needed to embark on a new career path.

Passing my general electrical state certification was a significant milestone in my journey. I am currently employed with ECI controls, actively installing control panels for fire alarm systems and HVAC. I have also worked at Loma Linda Hospital and Hoag Hospital in Irvine. I find working at hospitals both challenging and rewarding, knowing that they save lives.

The electrical program at ABC has not only given me a rewarding career but also a sense of belonging. I am grateful that my professional career allows me to afford a great living in California for my family. The ABC Instructors and staff treated me like family, and I am thankful to be part of this wonderful organization. I constantly refer people to ABC, and two of my close friends and family are currently attending the ABC Apprenticeship Program.

ABC has not only provided me with a career but also the means to support my family, own a home, and contribute to my local community. I am deeply grateful for the wonderful people I have met along this journey and the lifelong friendships I have formed. Each person and experience has played a significant role in shaping my career and life, and for that, I am truly thankful.

Thank you,





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