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I never would have thought I would have a career in construction but here I am 20 years later wearing hats in Project Coordination and Business Development. I started out in Minnesota; my first construction project was at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport for the United States Postal Service Airport Mail Center. I moved to Cincinnati, Ohio and there I worked for a couple of Construction Management companies and primarily built schools for the OSFC (Ohio Schools Facilities Commission), and now I am here in Denver, Colorado working as a Project Coordinator, and in Business Development at Colorado Cleanup Corporation. Colorado Cleanup Corporation specializes in Demolition/ Earthwork / Environmental Remediation. I have been here for a

little over two years.

Being a Woman in Construction is amazing, challenging, scary and badass! My journey thus far has taught me that this industry is ever evolving and that every project and experience is unique, and to be successful and bring value we need to surround ourselves with a good team and network of individuals we can reach out to when needed. This is an industry of collaboration, opportunity and endless growth. Construction has taught me that being challenged is a great thing and it is pushed me to get out of my comfort zone and take risks both professionally and personally; and you don't have to be perfect all the time. It is normal to make mistakes but learn from them and keep moving forward. I am always experiencing new things and learning new ideas through partnering with different trades or through mentoring. I feel empowered that I can make a difference and bring someone's idea and dream to fruition. I love construction it is fun, it's hard work and at times it's challenging. It makes me want to succeed and be the best I can be and go that extra mile for my teammates and clients. Being a Project Coordinator and now learning about Business Development keeps me challenged and a little off balance and I like that. It keeps me driving forward. I enjoy that each day is never the same and that you must be ready to swerve with the ebb and flow of construction. It is comforting to know that I work with an amazing team at Colorado Cleanup Corporation and a network of partners who bring different perspectives, ideas and experiences to the table.

I have learned over the years, Do What You Say...Deliver!! You will make mistakes, learn from them. Ask for help, ask questions. I will never know everything in this industry. Listen. Stay organized. Be Respectful and Kind, you may meet them down the road again. Take a breath and slow down. Have a blast!

I am proud to say that I am a Woman in Construction. I am excited that more women and girls are interested and want to be involved in our industry. I encourage women to embrace the challenge

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and experience what we do. I want to inspire girls to learn more about construction and the opportunities that are waiting for them here!



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