



### **Putting Our Money, Time, and Resources Where Our Mouths Are**

February 1<sup>st</sup> 2017, was the Future Electrician Open House for Career and Technical Education students at the IEC Chesapeake headquarter training facility in Laurel, Maryland.

This has been a successful event in the past, and we anticipated a highly successful day yesterday.

We thank our sponsor, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (MD DLLR) and our keynote speaker, Kelly M. Schulz, the current Secretary of the Maryland DLLR.

We also thank our Chesapeake Contractor Members who are participated in and sponsored the career fair tables, where students can take the time to speak with contractor companies and apply for summer jobs. They were:

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Tradesource, Inc.

Our breakout sessions- after the speaker- included motor controls, solar, safety issues, lockout/tagout, and wiring devices. Breakout sessions were run by expert members in their respective fields.

I have blogged recently about the importance of the CTE system throughout our country, and the value of apprenticeship programs to our U.S. economy. We were proud and pleased to be running a 2017 Future Electrician Open House, exposing high school students to the option of an “earn while you learn” four- year education.

For more information about our program(s), or how you might get involved, please visit us at [www.iecchesapeake.com](http://www.iecchesapeake.com)

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