

## W&A ENGINEERING ANNOUNCES- 2020 Building Better Communities Local Business Partnership

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W&A Engineering Announces Building Better Communities Local Business Partnership:

**Athens, Georgia** – We are delighted to announce that as part of W&A Engineering's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we will be launching a year-long initiative, the **Building Better Communities Local Business Partnership!** Throughout the coming year, W&A will partner with 12 premier local businesses, and highlight the work they have done in establishing their business as an important part of the culture and economy of Athens-Clarke and Oconee counties.

"Twenty years ago, I started a design and engineering firm in Watkinsville, GA. Since then, the business has grown into a multidisciplinary engineering firm with five core disciplines, nearly 50 employees with offices in Athens, Nashville, and Augusta, and a national footprint with project experience in over 45 states. I know the courage and vision it takes to start a business and the tenacity it takes to keep it going. The goal of the **Building Better Communities Local Business Partnership** is to celebrate local businesses and nonprofits, and I sincerely hope our local community will join us for this 20th anniversary initiative," said Jon Williams, CEO and President of W&A Engineering.

W&A will be asking each of the 12 businesses chosen to be spotlighted in 2020 (i.e. one per month) to name a nonprofit "beneficiary". Each month, W&A will be promoting the designated business and their chosen nonprofit throughout the community. As part of that campaign, W&A is pledging to donate an amount equal to their sales on the 20th day of the month, up to \$500. The importance of designating a nonprofit as part of this partnership is only a way to give back, but also gives an opportunity to recognize the significant role these community partners have in our economy.

The year-long partnership will operate under the W&A Cares Program. W&A's corporate citizenship initiative, W&A Cares, is part of an ambitious effort to formalize and increase the firm's commitment to "Building Better Communities" through service and financial support in five focus areas: Community, Economic Development, Education, Employee Well-Being, and Sustainability.

"Over the past 20 years, W&A's philanthropic efforts have taken many forms. As we approach our 20th anniversary, we are committed to building on this history and increasing these efforts," said CEO/Partner Jon Williams. "We're focused on making W&A Engineering the best possible company for our employees, and not just a great place to work but also a great place to serve."

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## About W&A Engineering:

Founded in 1999, W&A Engineering is a growing multidisciplinary engineering firm headquartered in Athens, Georgia. Known for our innovative design, efficient engineering, and professional service, W&A Engineering is the trusted partner of community leaders and developers driving sustainable growth throughout the United States. Utilizing a mix of creative and analytical engineering, along with extensive real-world experience, our team efficiently moves projects from inception to completion in a wide variety of public and private sectors. W&A Engineering currently leads the Northeast Georgia market, provides on-call economic development services to over 35 Georgia counties, has project experience in 45 states,



and continues to expand services and forge partnerships in the South's most dynamic cities. For more information on W&A Engineering and W&A Cares, visit: WAengineering.com.