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**African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey  
Featured in the December issues of Forbes and Fortune Magazine.**

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The AACCNJ profile is currently running in the December 2024 issues of Forbes and Fortune. The issues began reaching subscribers around December 10<sup>th</sup> of this year. The combined digital and print footprint of Fortune and Forbes is global, Forbes has 87.1 digital and social media uniques and 5.5 million print subscribers.<sup>1</sup>

Associated Builders and Contractors of New Jersey and the African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey are calling for greater diversity, equity, and inclusion in the Garden State's construction industry.

“New Jersey’s construction industry should reflect the general diversity of the state and welcome anyone who is qualified and wants to have a career in construction,” says Samantha DeAlmeida Roman, ABC-NJ president.

“This is taxpayer money,” adds John E. Harmon Sr., president, and CEO of the African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey (AACCNJ) and an ABC-NJ partner. “By making the state more competitive and the workforce more professional, we can lift all boats.”

“Through education and training, we hope to remove barriers people might face as they pursue a long, prosperous career in the construction industry,” says Roman. “The data is clear—you get a better return on investment when you participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion in an intentional way,” Harmon adds. “Why wouldn’t the state want men and women more properly trained to do professional work?”

#### **About the African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey**

The African American Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey (AACCNJ) is dedicated to economically empowering and sustaining African American communities and businesses through entrepreneurship and capitalistic initiatives throughout the state of New Jersey and through its partnership with the National Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc. AACCNJ joins the top 3% of all chambers in the U.S. that are accredited, is the only accredited chamber in New Jersey, and is the only accredited African American chamber in the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Federation.

The AACCNJ performs an essential role in the economic viability of New Jersey. While providing a platform for New Jersey’s African American business leaders to speak with a collective voice, the AACCNJ advocates and promotes economic diversity fostering a climate of business growth through major initiatives centering on education and public

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<sup>1</sup> <https://forbes.docsend.com/view/ya3gusp7hfs5h5>

policy. The Chamber serves as a proactive advocacy group with a 501(c) 3 tax exemption, which is shared by the National Black Chamber of Commerce.

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