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Extensive Experience in Concrete Solutions for Multi-Family Structures



From apartment buildings to university dormitories to senior living centers, Mid-States has completed hundreds of multi-family projects providing you with a depth of experience not found elsewhere. Many of our projects have been completed for repeat partners providing a testament of satisfaction.

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Mid-States has a long track record of innovative building solutions for multi-family structures including high-end custom finishes, hidden connections, low headroom issues, sustainability and energy efficiency. This experience, coupled with our design and engineering expertise, gives us the ability to turn innovative concepts into structural reality.

As experts in the creation of precast concrete solutions for multi-family structures, our design and engineering staff ensures that each project not only begins successfully, but is completed successfully as well. We do this by recognizing that each project is unique, asking the right questions, listening to your objectives and goals, applying the latest design and engineering techniques, adhering to the strictest safety standards in the industry, and leading the project to completion.

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The Case for Precast Foundation Walls for The Madison



In 2016, [Watts Group](#) began work on a project which would include two floors of condos for rent, one floor of high-end penthouses for purchase, commercial space on the main floor, and underground parking. By analyzing the cost of precast versus traditional foundation walls, and taking their timeline into consideration, it was determined that utilizing [precast foundation walls](#) and other precast elements was the way to go on this project.

"We knew we wanted to be out of the ground pretty quick and precast always allows that," said Adam Hahn, Director of Construction Services for Watts Group, located in Coralville, Iowa. "As soon as the foundation is done, we're basically ready for walls from a precaster and in two weeks we can be out of the ground and ready for other trades. Had we used traditional cast-in-place, the timeline would have been four times as long."

Watts Group typically reaches out to Mid-States Concrete early in their process for preconstruction assistance. [Troy Yaun](#), Regional Sales Representative for Mid-States Concrete, is a big proponent of getting involved in projects in the very early stages. He said working side-by-side with the customer, as well as the architect and engineer of record, ensures that everyone has a clear understanding of the precast components of the project, and all the benefits that come with it. Some of these benefits include durability, speed of installation in the field, versatility, and efficiency. It also gives the team a chance to identify potential issues early on, and solve them before they actually become a problem.

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Not Your Typical Lunch and Learn



One of the things we pride ourselves on at Mid-States Concrete is living up to our world-changing behaviors.

Those world-changing behaviors include: safety before all else; YES! attitude; be candid; put yourself in someone else's shoes; practice the four referability habits, and be a little weird!

While we practice all of these world-changing behaviors, we really (really, really) show up for the be a little weird part. So, it should come as no surprise that we don't generally offer the typical Lunch and Learn. A typical Lunch and Learn program is a presentation with a catered lunch that takes place at a workplace during lunch. In the digital age, Lunch and Learns are also often offered online as webinars.

While Mid-States has presented the typical Lunch and Learn before, we've found another style of Lunch and Learn we think benefits our customers more. Rather than a PowerPoint presentation where we stand at the head of the room with slides full of information behind us and talk **AT** you while you try to quietly eat Jimmy Chips (good luck, by the way), we'd much rather have a Roundtable where we can talk **WITH** you.

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Precast Chalk Talk: Episode 56



In this episode of Precast Chalk Talk, President Hagen Harker chats with Carpentry and Project Managers at [International Concrete Products](#), a division of Mid-States Concrete Industries.

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About Mid-States Concrete Industries



Since 1946 and under three generations of family leadership, Mid-States Concrete Industries has produced structural and architectural precast concrete systems that provide its partners with high quality building materials with sustaining performance. In December 2023, Mid-States Concrete Industries acquired International Concrete Products, which specializes in architectural precast concrete. In April 2024, Mid-States Concrete Industries acquired Architectural Precast, Inc. The combined company offers expanded opportunities for total precast structures. The promise is a unique building design with sustaining performance, a truly

memorable and meaningful place in which to live, work and play.

If you'd like to learn more about how precast concrete can benefit your projects, please contact our team today by replying to this email.



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