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THE WALSH GROUP

Matthew & Daniel Walsh

Matthew M. Walsh is the Co-Chairman of The Walsh Group, one of Chicago's, and the nation's, most successful contractors constructing all forms of infrastructure facilities from high-profile buildings to large civil infrastructure projects across North America. The family business is in its fourth generation of leadership having been founded in Chicago in 1898. The Walsh Group annually manages a total volume of work approaching \$5 billion and is consistently listed as one of the largest contractors operating in the United States according to *Engineering News-Record*.

Matthew Walsh has more than 48 years of experience in the construction and real estate development industries. Matthew completed his undergraduate degree at The University of Notre Dame and holds a Juris Doctor from the University of Loyola.

In the late 1970's, Matthew led the direction of the firm into the Heavy Civil industry, first locally and then nationally. Under the leadership of the Co-Chairmen, the business has grown to become among the few large U.S.-based heavy civil contractors. Matthew was directly involved in major U.S. infrastructure projects as the reconstruction of the Dan Ryan and Kennedy Expressways in Chicago and the Ohio River Bridge Projects in Indiana and Kentucky, the first public-private partnership civil project for Walsh and the largest private activity bond (PAB) financed project in North America at the time. Matthew's direct involvement in Illinois buildings and infrastructure is also evident in the reconstruction of Wacker Drive, the Chicago Riverwalk, multiple projects with the Illinois Tollway and Illinois Department of Transportation and the redevelopment of the old Cook County Hospital.

Matthew has been recognized by The Moles Organization for outstanding leadership and achievement in the construction industry in 2005, and Matthew was awarded "The Legacy Award" from *Engineering News-Record* for his leadership and long-standing industry impact

in 2017. Matt was presented with the Daniel H. Burnham "Making History Award" for Distinction in Architecture and Design from the Chicago Historical Society in 2019.

Additionally, Matthew helped establish the Walsh Foundation which annually provides major grants to the many educational, church and civic charities with all profits coming from The Walsh Group earnings. The Walsh family also sponsors internships for inner city minority high school students giving them an opportunity to learn more about the construction industry as well as to enable them to help pay for their own educations. Matthew and his wife have been active Chairs of the University of Notre Dame School of Architecture which because of their philanthropy, has named the new School of Architecture building in their honor, The Matthew and Joyce Walsh Family Hall of Architecture.



Daniel J. Walsh is the Co-Chairman of The Walsh Group, one of Chicago's, and the nation's, most successful contractors constructing all forms of infrastructure facilities from high-profile buildings to large civil infrastructure projects across North America. The family business is in its fourth generation of leadership having been founded in Chicago in 1898. The Walsh Group annually manages a total volume of work approaching \$5 billion and is consistently listed as one of the largest contractors operating in the United States according to *Engineering News-Record*.

Dan has over 50 years of experience in the construction industry at The Walsh Group where Matt and Dan Walsh now act as Co-Chairmen. Dan received his undergraduate degree from John Carroll University and holds a degree of Juris Doctor from Loyola University School of Law.

As Co-Chairman, Dan takes an active interest in every project constructed by The Walsh Group. His interest has helped to maintain a high level of quality while delivering projects safely and successfully to clients for more than four decades. Dan and his brother Matt have been directly responsible for establishing Walsh as a major national multi-billion dollar contractor and securing major Chicago construction projects such as the renovation of the old Cook County Hospital, the renovation of Tribune Tower, the Chicago Riverwalk, Maggie Daley Park and Millennium Park, along with multiple healthcare, high-rise, hospitality and commercial buildings. Dan was presented with the Daniel H. Burnham "Making History Award" for Distinction in Architecture and Design from the Chicago Historical Society in 2019.

Dan has also led the efforts to secure large scale national projects at LaGuardia Airport, Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport and Los Angeles International Airport, and Women's College Hospital in Toronto. Dan has a deep commitment to family and incorporates that atmosphere in his business on a day-to-day basis. Dan helped lead the sponsoring of internships for inner city minority high school students, as well as initiating pre-apprentice programs at the old Cook County Hospital project to introduce construction opportunities to local residents.

Carrying this family atmosphere through to the company is an important goal. Dan feels strongly that a hands-on approach in educating the support staff all the way through to the executive level of employees has been not only a motivating factor but has led to the success of the company.