



NRMCA PROMOTES ICFS IN ARIZONA

In February, the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association (NRMCA), the ICF Manufacturers Association (ICFMA) and the Arizona Rock Products Association hosted a major event promoting ICF use. Organized as part of the Build with Strength campaign, developers and construction professionals from across the country toured a number of ICF projects, both under construction and recently completed. These included a tour of an ICF hotel under construction, an ICF church (St. Juan Diego, featured in the November 2018 issue of this magazine) and an ICF subdivision (Village at Mountain Shadows, featured in the January 2018 issue). The seminar was held at Hampton Inn and Suites East Mesa, an ICF hotel.

The tour emphasized the improved energy-efficiency and lower lifecycle costs ICFs can provide to building owners in the hot arid Southwest and across North America. Speakers included Rod Cullum, the developer and general contractor for the all-ICF subdivision, and John Minieri, director of building projects for the Catholic Archdiocese of Phoenix, which has built dozens of ICF churches and schools across Arizona. John Schoenauer of HD Management, the hotel developer, along with ICF installers and manufacturers' representatives also made presentations on their areas of expertise.

ICFs are quickly becoming the building material of choice in Arizona for hotels, schools and religious buildings due to their strength, energy efficiency, noise reduction and ease of use.