

The 2020 Greater Iowa City Area Home Builders Association (HBA) Builder of the Year, McCreedy-Ruth Construction has a long and solid reputation for not only quality work and top-notch service, but also as leaders in the HBA and the workforce development arena.

Kevin McCreedy and Tim Ruth founded McCreedy-Ruth Construction in 1997. Long-time employee Sam Jones became a partner in 2020. The team offers more than 75 years of combined experience in the construction industry.

Tim and Kevin have been actively involved with the HBA for years, and Tim is a leader for our state and national federations. Currently, Tim serves on our board of directors and is the State Representative to NAHB. Kevin is vice chair of the Remodelers Council and as such also sits on our board of directors. He will become the Remodelers Council Chair in 2021. Their contributions would not be possible without the support of all employees.

The company has won many Parade of Homes Builders Excellence Awards and was instrumental in reinstituting the Student-Built House Program in 2018, providing materials, leadership and employees to mentor students during the project.

McCreedy-Ruth is highly focused on workforce development efforts in the greater lowa City area and participates in many HBA youth educational events. In 2018, it won a *Corridor Business Journal* Workforce Award for Internship Program – Small Company for introducing, mentoring and training youth in the skilled trades.

Earlier this year, McCreedy-Ruth was integral in student-chapter Durant High School obtaining a trailer and skid steer by being the sponsor organization and spearheading the purchase process. The experience students gain will make them highly sought-after by construction companies looking to fill positions with knowledgeable talent.

And just last month, the company was spotlighted by Iowa Ideas for demonstrating the success of apprenticeships for workforce development.