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Construction of Center for Workforce Development Progressing

Construction of the Center for Workforce Development, a 42,000-square-foot, \$25 million project on the campus of Rockingham Community College, is just over three quarters of the way completed.

At a monthly progress meeting in September the contractor, BAR Construction in Greensboro, reported that the project is approximately 76 percent complete. The roofing system and brick has been constructed. Most of the interior and exterior framing is complete and the hanging of drywall and ductwork is in progress. The completion date is scheduled for March 2024.

The facility will feature the latest technology for advanced manufacturing. The building will house programs in Computer-Integrated Machining, Mechatronics Engineering, and Electrical Systems Technology, as well as the college's Small Business Center and Office of Corporate Education and Training. Other spaces include a 200-seat corporate meeting space and adjacent catering kitchen.

After a three-stage design and approval process, construction started in August 2022. The building is the primary beneficiary of the quarter-cent sales tax, passed by Rockingham County voters in 2018 to support workforce initiatives at the college.

Naming opportunities in the Center for Workforce Development are available; contact Kim Pryor, executive director of the RCC Foundation (336-342-4261, ext.2201, or pryor@rockinghamcc.edu), for details.