

# Turner Construction — A Premier Partner For Glendale

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Turner Construction is the nation's largest commercial builder. It maintains 42 offices in 26 states and Canadian provinces, and the company has also provided comprehensive services for projects in Europe, India, Latin America, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia. Turner Construction's staff consists of 5,200 employees who work on about 1,500 projects each year. In other words, it's big. But, in this case, being big

doesn't preclude the employees of Turner Construction from being invested in the communities where they work. In fact, it's the ability to connect to the places they work in that has led Turner Construction to develop long-lasting relationships in the Denver area, and, over time, Turner Construction has played an integral role in developing properties that are and will continue to become a centerpiece of tomorrow's Denver.

Mark Huber works for Turner Construc-



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Infinity Park at Glendale is one of many major Denver area projects for Turner Construction.



The management team at Turner Construction has led the company on a number of successful projects in the Denver area.

tion. Born in Missouri, he started working for Turner 19 years ago in the Kansas City office. He worked as a field engineer, in preconstruction, and for several years led the special projects division, which focused on building smaller, fast-paced projects. In 2011, he and his family moved to Denver.

"Since then we have been focusing on growing our presence here in this Colorado market," he said. "My wife Lisa, and our two kids Paul and Emily, really enjoy living here in Colorado." He joined an office that had been in Colorado since 2013. "Our

office provides full-service preconstruction and construction capabilities to clients in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming, but our focus is here in Colorado."

Huber said the company's size can deliver to clients the benefits of support that a large, national company can provide while the employees in the Denver office create a strong sense of community involvement found in a hometown company. "We have an incredible group of folks here in Denver who all share the same high level of teamwork, integrity and commitment in delivering a great project and overall experience for our clients," Huber said. "Henry Turner founded our company based on trusting and treating his clients as his friends, and our staff carries that same vision forward in all that we do."

That approach has led to a number of successful projects in the Denver area. *The Aspen Art Museum, Sports Authority Field at Mile High, and Dick's Sporting Goods Park* are just a few of the high profile projects that Turner Construction helped build. Turner also built the *Infinity Park* project in Glendale, a multi-use complex that includes the first rugby-specific 4,000 seat stadium in the U.S., *Sports Center*, and an *Event Center* which includes a 10,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art ballroom.

"This was a great project for Turner and the City of Glendale, and it was the start of a great relationship and the beginning of building the vision for the City," Huber said. "I believe what has made this partnership and this connection so great is our mutual respect and commitment that we have for one another, and the fact that we share in their vision. They have such passion for what they do, and we feel so fortunate to be a part of it."

Turner Construction is ramping up work on another large-scale project based in Glendale. "The Glendale 180 project has a lot of our attention currently," Huber said of the 303,225-square-foot dining and entertainment destination, slated to open in 2017. "We want to make sure that this project is a huge success all the way around for all of our project partners."

Huber said Turner Construction is in the early stages of several other large projects in the Front Range, such as the *Hyatt Hotel and Conference Center* in Aurora, and smaller, interior projects as well, such as an expansion for *KPMG* and build outs for clients including *Jones Lang LaSalle* and *Citigroup*.

Turner Construction recently embarked on its fifth decade in Denver. While the facades of buildings have been captured in thousands of photographs and the spaces within have been the site of countless memories, the many hands and minds that help construct any given building are rarely remembered by name. But, true to the company ideals that Huber describes, that's OK. The buildings Turner Construction has worked on have become part of the landscape, cornerstones of communities. The sum of the work is greater than any one building.

"Colorado is already such an incredible place to live and raise a family, it is truly a gift to live here," Huber said. "The projects we are a part of will make Colorado a better, healthier and even more desirable place to be, and we are so proud to be a part of this."

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