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2026 BIZCON NORTH AND SOUTH DATES ANNOUNCED

The Midwest's premier business events for the lumber and building materials industry return.

Plymouth, MN – BLD Connection invites you to the largest annual gatherings of independent lumberyards and their supplier partners in the Midwest. BizCon North and BizCon South are more than industry events. They are where members come together to learn, collaborate, and strengthen the relationships that move our businesses forward.

At the heart of BizCon is the belief that our industry thrives when independent retailers and suppliers connect with purpose. Whether you are a dealer looking for insight and support, or a supplier aiming to build lasting connections, BizCon offers a space where trust grows and partnerships take root.

2026 BizCon North

January 20 & 21, 2026 Rivers Edge Convention Center 100 4th Avenue S, St. Cloud, MN

2026 BizCon South

February 3 & 4, 2026 Prairie Meadows Events and Conference Center 1 Prairie Meadows Drive, Altoona, IA

BLD Connection's BizCons offer a mix of expert-led seminars, product discovery, and valuable networking. Attendees will have the opportunity to connect with peers, discover the latest in lumber and building materials products and services in the exhibit hall, and enjoy time in the host cities of St. Cloud and Altoona.

Who Should Attend

Owners, managers, and team members from independently owned retail lumberyards, as well as contractors, builders, educators, and pre-approved guests. Associate and supplier members may attend only as exhibitors.

Exhibit Opportunities

Manufacturers, wholesalers, and service providers have the chance to connect face to face with decision makers and buyers. Exhibiting at BizCon is not just about visibility. It is a chance to show up for the community you serve, strengthen partnerships, and be part of the conversation shaping the future of independent retail.

Exhibitor benefits include:

- Access to a large audience of LBM professionals with purchasing power
- Direct interaction with current and prospective customers
- A meaningful presence in the independent LBM community

Why It Matters

Since 1890, BLD Connection has stood beside independent dealers and suppliers, creating opportunities to

learn, grow, and lead. Every conversation at BizCon contributes to something greater: a stronger, smarter, and more connected industry built on trust, loyalty, and shared success.

Let's keep building together.

Full details will be available soon at www.bldconnection.org. Registration is set to open in early October.

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About BLD Connection

BLD Connection is a regional trade association serving independently owned retail lumberyards and their suppliers in Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Upper Michigan, and Wisconsin. Through education, networking, advocacy, and resources, BLD Connection supports the long-term success of the building materials industry.