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ENGINEERING A PATH TO LEADERSHIP

When it comes to career-defining assignments, few compare to the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project. That's why Talya Caudill is proud to serve as the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's construction lead for one of the largest infrastructure undertakings in the nation.

"It's a massive, career-making project and I want to be part of that," she says. "From designers and contractors to the KYTC and ODOT teams, everyone is working together as one unit. That spirit of collaboration makes this project so exciting to be part of."

Caudill's journey to civil engineering began in high school, when a teacher encouraged her to pursue her strengths in math and calculus. A Google search led her to civil engineering, and she never looked back. She went on to earn a bachelor's degree from the University of Kentucky as a first-generation college graduate, supported by a KYTC scholarship that provided valuable hands-on experience.

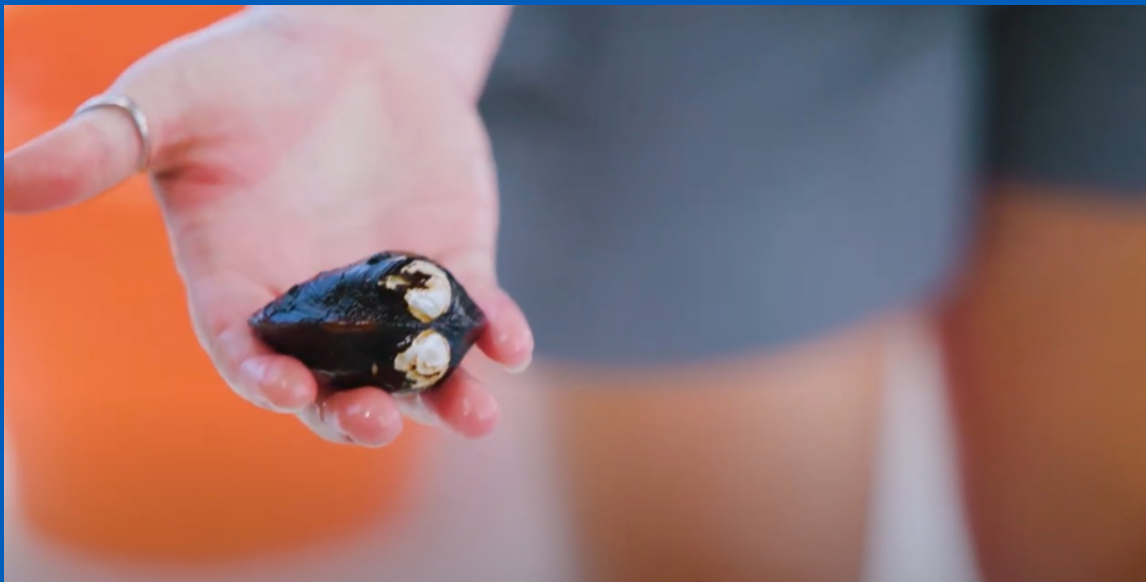


Her career has included community-focused projects such as the Newtown Pike Extension in Lexington, which united state and local leaders to create replacement housing for residents of a historic neighborhood.

Away from work, she and her husband Kody, also an engineer, enjoy raising their three-year-old daughter, Eleanor, in Georgetown, Kentucky.

BRIDGING CAREER PATHS

It takes a lot more than civil or highway engineers to build the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project. Just ask Andrew Logsdon, whose wildlife biology degree began his path to a position as the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's branch manager for ecology and permitting. Andrew tells us about environmental career opportunities with the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project [here](#).



CREATING CONNECTIONS: COMMUNITY AND WORKFORCE ENGAGEMENT

The Brent Spence Bridge Corridor project team has been busy connecting with the community. Whether it's helping young professionals explore careers, giving business owners a look at upcoming opportunities or making sure contractors and suppliers have the tools they need, our goal is to keep people informed and prepared to be a part of this transformational project.



Library Outreach

We hosted five library events in September - three in Northern Kentucky and two in Cincinnati. These events gave community members a chance to learn about the project, ask questions and explore business and workforce opportunities.

If you missed us, don't worry. More sessions are planned over the next several weeks:

Northern Kentucky

- Thursday, Oct. 9 | 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. | Campbell County Public Library Presentation – Newport Library | 901 E 6th Street

Cincinnati, Ohio

- Thursday, Oct. 9 | 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. | West End Library Branch Pop-Up | 805 Ezzard Charles Drive
- Thursday, Nov. 13 | 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. | Corryville Library Branch Pop-Up | 2802 Short Vine Street
- Thursday, Dec. 11 | 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. | Downtown Main Library Branch Pop-Up | 800 Vine Street

Supporting Contractors and Suppliers

The team also continues to host trainings and informational meetings to help prospective contractors and suppliers prepare for work on the project. Recent examples include a Davis-Bacon and Related Acts training and the Monthly Opportunities Update meeting. The Monthly Opportunities Update takes place on the first Wednesday of every month and is open to subcontractors and suppliers interested in upcoming bid opportunities. To receive the meeting invite, email bsbbwe@walshgroup.com.

WHY WE BUILD: STORIES FROM ACI CONSTRUCTION CAREER DAYS

Our outreach also extends to events that inspire the next generation of builders. The team

has attended ACI Construction Career Days for the past two years, an event that gives students hands-on exposure to construction careers. Check out this short video, [Why We Build](#), to hear from students and project team members. Their enthusiasm reinforces that the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project is more than concrete and steel. It's a generational opportunity to build both the bridge and our future workforce.

We're always connecting with the community and talking about workforce opportunities. For the latest bid opportunities, visit [WalshKokosing.com](#).



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ABOUT THE PROJECT

Stretching from the Western Hills Viaduct in Ohio to Dixie Highway in Kentucky, the project will be built without tolls and transform an eight-mile portion of the I-71/75 interstate corridor, including a companion bridge immediately to the west of the existing bridge. More information about the project is available at [BrentSpenceBridgeCorridor.com](#).

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