

Mission-Critical Leader David Bals Joins Burns & McDonnell, Propelling Firm's Design-Build Offerings for Data Centers

Industry Veteran Will Grow Design, Construction and Modular Services for Mission-Critical Projects

COLUMBUS, Ohio — As the data center market continues its rapid growth worldwide, [David Bals](#) will expand Burns & McDonnell's comprehensive services for mission-critical projects. With more than 25 years of multinational experience, Bals will bolster the firm's [data center](#) service offerings, including [design-build](#) project delivery, [modular construction](#) and [prefabrication](#) services.

"I am deeply passionate about our work in the mission-critical space and excited to work alongside this mission-critical dream team," Bals says.

With experienced professionals who have developed some of the industry's largest hyperscale data center projects, Burns & McDonnell leverages its multidisciplined design and construction teams to optimize project delivery and tailor solutions to fit the needs of every customer.

"Dave is a game-changing addition to our [mission-critical leadership](#) team for both our clients and communities throughout the world," says [Robert Bonar](#), mission-critical practice lead at Burns & McDonnell. "His vast wealth of industry experience and dynamic vision for this market position him perfectly to grow our capabilities. As a champion of data center projects, operations and growth for several industry-leading firms, he has delivered extensive architectural, engineering and construction services to build collaborative, creative, progressive teams."

Burns & McDonnell holds top rankings in the [Power, Data Center and Telecommunications market sectors and is recognized as the No. 9 Design Firm globally](#). The firm also ranks among the top 10% of construction firms worldwide, according to *Engineering News-Record*.

"As our clients and industries face new challenges and opportunities in a time of unprecedented demand, our commitment to make each mission-critical project successful remains the same," says [Sam Allen](#), Global Facilities Group lead for Burns & McDonnell in Ohio. "We are designed to build high-performing and technologically advanced infrastructure that will stand the test of time. Our experience in and commitment to finding new solutions for tomorrow's challenges lead the industry in providing for the future."

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