

Yet another announcement of a successful acquisition orchestrated by Stonemill Partners:

We are pleased to announce that Stonemill Partners was involved in orchestrating another successful acquisition. The press release is below, in full, in the body of this email.

Here are some key takeaways from the release:

- "...combined strengths and expanded capabilities."
- "...this teaming means having the ability to provide full service architectural and engineering capabilities to clients in an extended geographic reach."
- "...being able to offer additional in-house services not previously available."
- "The merger will benefit both companies and their clients by providing more resources and experience, as well as expanded geographic reach."

This is just another of the completed acquisitions Stonemill Partners is involved with. For companies like these, available, visit www.stonemillpartners.com.

To discuss how your business can take advantage of synergies like those noted above, contact us. al@stonemillpartners.com or 630-740-1397

Here is the full release:

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GPD Group is pleased to announce that SBWV Architects, a leading architectural firm based in Houston, Texas, has joined our team.

SBWV Architects specializes in the planning and design of educational facilities and has extensive experience including early childhood centers, elementary schools, intermediate schools, middle schools, junior high schools, high schools, college and university buildings, and a wide range of athletic and support facilities.

The union of these client-centered companies represents over 80 years of outstanding experience throughout the States of Ohio and Texas. SBWV's Charles Bourgeois, AIA, commented, "This is an exciting opportunity. Both SBWV

Architects and GPD Group were founded on similar principles, and we look forward to continuing to provide the highest level of architectural and engineering services to our clients through our combined strengths and expanded capabilities.”

For GPD, this teaming means having the ability to provide full service architectural and engineering capabilities to clients in an extended geographic reach. For SBWV, it means being able to offer additional in-house services not previously available. SBWV, known for their expertise in the educational market, will now be able to serve clients with full-service engineering design, planning, construction, site development, and environmental service capabilities.

As a part of the transition, SBWV employees will remain at their Houston office located at 2121 Sage Road.

“The merger will benefit both companies and their clients by providing more resources and experience, as well as expanded geographic reach.” said Darrin Kotecki, PE, GPD Group President. “Teaming with SBWV Architects allows both firms to better serve existing and future clients in Ohio, Texas and around the country.”