

Decade Answers: Larry Loesch

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What was one of your corporate or career highlights of the decade?

Over the past decade, the security services industry has advanced greatly thanks to the recognition that training is of paramount importance for quality security programs. Training is critical to ensuring that security officers and managers are properly prepared for their daily duties as well as unexpected challenges. At AlliedBarton Security Services, we are proud to have an award-winning training program. We have received recognition for the last five consecutive years as one of Training magazine's Top 125 training companies.

Today, security officers are often viewed as the first line of defense and we train to meet the cultural, site- and industry-specific needs of each client. Highly trained security officers are an important part of a facility or community's overall safety and security as they work in conjunction with local law enforcement, fire companies and emergency medical responders.

In addition to our team of training professionals, we have also implemented on-line tools to take training to the EDGE. Through our commitment to provide the tools necessary to E - Educate, D - Develop, G - Grow and E - Engage every employee, we are able to bring an enhanced level of security to our customers. The AlliedBarton EDGE implements a structured career path to engage and prepare employees for additional responsibilities and future opportunities.

Our industry is continuing to grow and develop, and the level of quality and professionalism of today's security officers is something to be proud of.

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