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PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD APPLICATIONS READY

The 2016 Project of the Year Award applications are now available. The submittal process is completely electronic, easy and convenient. Click the following link to download the forms: www.cisco.org/wp-content/pdf/POY-App-16.pdf.

Once again, there are 6 different project categories: 1) New Construction/Chicago – above \$20m; 2) New Construction/Suburbs – above \$20m; 3) New Construction/Chicago or Suburbs – below \$20m; 4) Infrastructure; 5) Rehabilitation/Chicago or Suburbs; and 6) Residential/Chicago or Suburbs.



One of last year's winning projects (above) - The Cancer Treatment Centers of America Midwestern Regional Medical Center Patient Tower in Zion which was submitted by Riley Construction in the New Construction/Suburbs category.

As in the past, the projects are judged on Quality of Construction, Design, Impact on the Community and Safety Record. The projects must have been completed in either Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake or McHenry counties, and must have been completed in 2015 or 2016.

The deadline for submittals is 5:00 p.m. Thursday, December 1, 2016. For more information, contact Gary Karafiat at (630) 472-9411 or via email, gary@cisco.org.

"CHICAGO BUILDS" TRADE PROGRAM LAUNCHES WITH NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Last year, CISCO announced an expanded, long-term partnership with the Chicago Public Schools (CPS) to continue its mission of helping students, teachers and counselors become more aware of the value of a career in the union construction industry building trades.



As a result CISCO now serves as a liaison between the trade organizations and CPS to expand the program's reach to all of the CPS schools.

An exciting new initiative is the establishment of a comprehensive citywide construction trades program called **Chicago Builds** at the Dunbar High School campus. The move is designed to bring back the trade school model to public schools in preparing graduates for the workforce - with a professional skill.

Last Spring, Mayor Rahm Emanuel announced the creation of the new "construction trades campus" at Dunbar, serving as the program's hub.

That idea has come to fruition as the program kicked off at the start of the school year in September.

Chicago Builds, focuses on teaching students skills in: General Construction, Carpentry, Electricity, Welding and Heating/Cooling (HVAC). IBEW Local 134/LMCC and the Chicago Carpenters Union provide instructors to teach their curriculums.

Chicago Builds is a 2-year off-campus construction training program for 11th and 12th grade CPS students who are interested in pursuing a career in the union construction field.

The benefits of the program enable students to: 1) earn industry recognized certification; 2) take part in paid internships, job shadowing and visits to union training centers; 3) prepare for union entrance exams; 4) qualify for apprenticeships; and 5) earn high school credit that has real-world value in a subject students are interested in.

CISCO SETS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION DEADLINE - FEB. 17, 2017

CISCO is now accepting applications for its 2017 Scholarship Program. CISCO offers (3) four-year scholarships (\$2,000/year) to high school seniors; (2) two-year awards (\$1,000/year) for seniors planning to attend community college; and (2) two-year continuing education awards (\$1,000/year) to union members



or contractor employees. Applications and all accompanying documents

MUST be postmarked by Feb. 17, 2017 to be eligible for consideration. For judging criteria and eligibility requirements, click on any of the three links: 1) www.cisco.org/wp-content/pdf/4yr-app-17-HS.pdf; 2) www.cisco.org/wp-content/pdf/2yr-app-17-CC.pdf; and 3) www.cisco.org/wp-content/pdf/2yr-app-17-CE.pdf; or visit our website - www.cisco.org.

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CISCO ON THE MOVE

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING DRAWS FULL HOUSE ON PERFECT WEATHER DAY

It was an utterly spectacular day on all fronts for CISCO's Annual Golf Outing as the weather, food and fun were all a big hit as 152 golfers enjoyed a perfect day. Lunch was highlighted by the traditional raffle of prizes and the beneficiary of the golfers' generosity was CISCO's designated charity – Oak Lawn-based Christmas Without Cancer.

Final contribution totals will be released later, but in the meantime CISCO would like to thank the many member organizations and industry friends who annually support us with their sponsorship of this great event.

This year's sponsors include:

Lunch Sponsors:

- Blue Cross Blue Shield
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- Multi-Employer Property Trust
- Underground Contractors Association
- Ullico Investment Company, Inc.

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- Roofers & Waterproofers Local # 11

Halfway House Sponsors:

- Chicago & Cook County Building Trades
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There were also many additional Hole Sponsors (too many to list), but we appreciate the support of each and every one of them! See you next year!

