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CISCO ANNOUNCES 2018 PROJECT OF THE YEAR WINNERS

Burr Ridge, Illinois— The Construction Industry Service Corporation (CISCO) announced its Project of the Year award winners today as part of its annual Pride in Construction Award Program. The program recognizes the top quality union construction projects in six different categories. A formal presentation to the winners is scheduled at the association's annual breakfast meeting on Friday, Feb. 9, 2018 at Maggiano's Little Italy in Schaumburg, Illinois.

"We are proud to recognize these projects, the project teams and organizations for this prestigious award," said CISCO Executive Director Dan Allen. "Clearly all of the entries are winners as the quality and community impact of each of these projects were evident to our Board members, who had the difficult task of choosing in each category. The projects we receive each year demonstrate that the union construction industry produces the best product anywhere in the world, and this year's entries and winners perfectly illustrate that point."

The top project in the *New Construction/Chicago* (above $20 million) category went to **American Airlines Concourse L Stinger** at O'Hare Airport. These were the first new gates built at O'Hare in over 24 years. On the concourse level, the facility includes hold rooms, concession areas, restrooms, circulation areas and break rooms. Downstairs on the ground level the structure contains airline supplier and ready rooms/cabin services. In addition, a 600-foot pedestrian bridge was constructed that connects to existing Terminal 3.

The project, completed in March 2018, was submitted by F.H. Paschen, General Contractor and the Lead Architect was Corgan.

The top vote-getter in the category of *New Construction/Suburbs* (above $20 million) was the **Luther Burbank Elementary School** in Burbank. The new 80,000 square-foot school was built on the same site as the existing school. The first floor houses 21 classrooms, three shared learning spaces, three pull-out spaces, a cafeteria and adjacent kitchen, a gymnasium and multiple ancillary spaces.

The second floor contains nine classrooms, three shared learning spaces, a library, art and music rooms, special education areas, as well as storage and a teacher's lounge.

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The project, completed in August of 2018, was submitted by General Contractor, International Contractors, Inc.; the Lead Architect was CannonDesign.

The top choice in the category for *New Construction – Chicago or Suburbs* (below $20 million) was **Lincoln Park Zoo – Searle Visitor Center** in Chicago. The new 9,500 square-foot facility features two new buildings containing guest and member services, an information kiosk, first aid, stroller rentals, interactive displays, a shaded rest area, member lounge, new restrooms and administrative offices. The building spans the east gate with an overhead canopy offering shade and a place for visitors to meet and rest.

The project, completed in November, 2018, was submitted by General Contractor Bulley & Andrews, and the Lead Architect was Ross Barney.

The top choice of *Infrastructure* projects went to **The Albany Park Storm Diversion Tunnel** in Chicago. The 62.5 million project consisted of the construction of 5,800 feet of 18-foot finished diameter reinforced concrete lined rock tunnel located approximately 140-155 feet below grade to invert in the Foster Avenue right-of-way extending from the intersection of Foster and Springfield on the west to just east of the Foster Avenue Bridge over the Shore Channel.

The inlet site at the west end was approximately 240 feet of inlet channel, an inlet structure, sluice gates, and an armored intake. The outlet site in River Park included an outlet structure, a control building, and an armored outlet. The project brought relief to the neighborhood from flooding along the North Branch of the Chicago River.

The project, completed in August of 2018 was submitted by General Contractor Kenny Construction, while the Engineer was MWH of Chicago.

Among *Rehabilitation* projects, the **David K. Hill Family Library Renovation at Harper College** in Palatine, was the top vote-getter. The renewed 107,000 square-foot library was complex in many ways. The atrium staircase was prefabricated offsite and delivered in large sections to raise quality and create safer installation. Extending the formally recessed second and third floor window walls added 3,500 square feet of space without building an addition.

The renovation was designed to LEED Silver, retaining 80% of the existing structure. Achievements range from energy-efficient mechanical systems and low-flow plumbing fixtures to recycled materials and high-performance glass.

The project, completed April 2018, was submitted by Legat Architects, and the General Contractor was Pepper Construction

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The top *Residential Construction* project chosen was **University of Chicago Campus North Residential Commons** in Chicago. The 400,000 square-foot residence hall features limestone exterior that is evident throughout the campus. The structural design consists of cast-in-place concrete with high quality precast panels. There are four buildings ranging from one to 15 stories. The eight Houses accommodates 800 students. The building also accommodates offices for campus and student life and contains 10,000 square feet of ground level retail space.

The highly environmentally conscious building has achieved LEED Gold certification. The project was submitted by Mortenson and was completed in September 2016.

A formal presentation to the winners is scheduled at the association's annual breakfast meeting on Friday, Feb. 8, 2019 at Maggiano's Little Italy in Schaumburg, Illinois.

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Founded in 1988, the Construction Industry Service Corporation, CISCO, is a labor-management group that brings together unions of the building trades and construction contractor associations representing more than 140,000 construction workers and 8,000 union contractors in the six-county Chicago metropolitan area.