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## CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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### OBAMA CENTER SAYS HIRING WILL BE 33% FROM SOUTH/WEST SIDES



*A rendering of the proposed Obama Presidential Center shows a south-facing view of the museum and public plaza.*

The Obama Foundation announced more than one-third of its construction hires for the Presidential Center will hail from South and West side neighborhoods to forge construction careers and economic development in the communities of Chicago where President Obama called home.

CISCO has been working with the Obama Foundation since 2016, when the project was touted to be built in Jackson Park, to encourage a diverse construction pipeline prior to and beyond the presidential center.

“CISCO was perfectly positioned to join the Foundation’s team as our rich history of working with south- and west-side schools, churches and other organizations, is well documented,” said Executive Director Dan Allen.

CISCO has worked with CPS and high schools such as Prosser, Simeon and the Chicago Builds Program at Dunbar. CISCO also has held events on the south side with CHA, Cook County Housing Authority and St. Paul Church in Bronzeville with Career Fairs, Hands-On events and seminars,” he added.

“CISCO’s mission, as well as the Foundation’s plan, goes beyond the

construction of the library. For decades, CISCO’s role has been to make men and women, and students of all ages and backgrounds, aware of career opportunities that exist in the union building trades.”

“The end result of our recruitment efforts, and the partnerships we have successfully forged over the years, have eliminated the construction labor shortage in the Chicagoland area, and increased the diversification of the workforce.”

### CISCO CO-SPONSORS BRONZEVILLE VACCINATION DRIVE

**COVID-19 VACCINATION OPPORTUNITY FOR SENIORS 65+**

**Open Registration March 10 – March 18**  
(no zip code restrictions - opened to the Chicagoland area)

Sponsored by  
Saint Paul Church of God in Christ, Pastor Kevin A. Ford, and its Ministries  
In Partnership with  
Oak Street Health




Event to be held on  
Date: March 31, 2021  
Time: 8:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Location: 4526 S. Wabash Avenue, Chicago, IL 60653  
WEARING A MASK & SOCIAL DISTANCING IS CDC REQUIRED

Email or call to register for an appointment time  
Please provide your contact information

Email: [spcdm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:spcdm@sbcglobal.net) Call: (773) 538-4526 / (773) 538-5120  
Event brief: [Saint Paul Registration](#) (click on the pdf file to open blue link)

A staple of the union construction industry has been to build stronger communities. Helping to provide food, COVID-testing and now vaccinations to our at-risk senior citizens is another example of our industry giving back.

St. Paul Church in Christ (a CISCO Community Partner) is conducting Open Registration until March 18 for the March 31st event – 8:30 am – 5:00 pm at 4526 S. Wabash Ave. in Chicago.

To register, email [spcdm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:spcdm@sbcglobal.net), OR call: 773-538-4526.

### CISCO JOB SEARCH FOR NEW ETC DIRECTOR CLOSES MARCH 22

CISCO’s job search for the position of Director of Education-to-Careers is closing at 5 p.m., Monday, March 22nd. If you are interested, send your resume, three references and a cover letter with salary expectations to Dan Allen, Executive Director to CISCO: 999 McClintock Drive, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, or via email to [dan@cisco.org](mailto:dan@cisco.org) no later than March 22.

To download and print the job posting, go to CISCO’s homepage at [www.cisco.org](http://www.cisco.org).

### CARPENTER’S “BUILT TO LAST” SEASON 7 BEGINS IN MARCH

Season 7 of the Regional Council of Carpenters’ award-winning series begins on Sundays at Noon in the month of March. Check your local listings for times, or visit [carpentersunion.org](http://carpentersunion.org)

### CHECK UPCOMING ISSUES FOR THESE NEWS STORIES

In the next few issues, look for these stories:

- Scholarship Award winners
- Newly-appointed Legislative Committee Co-chair announcement
- “Construction Talks” with Operating Engineers Local 150
- Legislative Update - HB 653 Committee hearing decision

### HAPPY ST. PATRICK’S DAY



CISCO wishes everyone a Happy St. Patrick’s Day! Celebrate safely.