

# CONSTRUCTION NEWS BRIEFS

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# LABORERS BUILD ACCESSIBLE RAMP FOR RETIRED STATE POLICE EMPLOYEE

Members of several Chicago area Laborers' Unions volunteered their time and talent to build a handicap accessible ramp, on a Saturday morning last month, to help a disabled Illinois State Police employee, who had retired after 32 years of service.



Laborer Alex Tucker (Local 68) works on the bottom part of the ramp.

The woman, Terri Wysocki of Matteson said, "They did a fantastic job and it was just in time as my sister passed, and it enabled me to get to her funeral service."

The men built the accessible ramp so she could get into and out of her home to go to therapy. Materials were graciously provided by Chicago Area Scaffold Association (CASA) member Prime Scaffold Inc.



Laborers who worked on the ramp (from left) are Alex Tucker (68), Enrique Cardenas (4), Chris Lezon (6) and Mariusz Zawada (4). Photos courtesy of Laborers Local 4.

"I am so very appreciative for their work and their time," Wysocki said. "Thank you to everyone who was involved in making this happen."

# PROJECT OF THE YEAR PROGRAM UP AND RUNNING - DEADLINE: DEC. 4TH



CISCO has begun accepting applications for its Project of the Year Award to recognize the best construction

projects of the past 18 months. (June 2019 – December 2020).

The award gives general contractors, owners, engineers and architects a chance to submit projects in six different categories that include the areas of new construction, renovation/rehabilitation, residential construction and infrastructure.

Deadline for applications is 5:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, 2020. The application form is online - www. cisco.org/projects-of-the-year/. For more information, contact Gary Karafiat, 630.472.9411; email: gary@cisco.org.

### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM UNDERWAY FOR 2021 AWARDS



CISCO has begun to accept applications for its Annual Scholarship Awards Program.

Applications for this program are available by choosing one of the three types of scholarship awards below.

The three scholarship program categories are: 1) Four-year college scholarships for high school seniors; 2) Two-year awards for seniors planning on attending a community college; and 3) Two-year continuing education awards to union members or contractor employees. For more info., call CISCO at (630) 472-9411.

#### BRICKLAYERS FEATURED IN RECENT "CONSTRUCTION TALKS"

Last week, CISCO and CTA featured the Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers Apprenticeship Program and Training Center during their "Construction Talks" series.



From top: CTA's JuanPablo Prieto, BAC ADC1 Apprenticeship Coordinators Gavin Collier (Tile Setters), Stan Kulasik (Bricklayers), and Jose Miramontes (Tuckpointers); and Dan Allen, CISCO Executive Director.

Apprenticeship Coordinators representing the Bricklayers, Tile Setters and Tuckpointers were highlighted as CTA's Director of Diversity Programs JuanPablo Prieto led a camera crew through the facility and the apprenticeship coordinators described the program, answered questions and gave webinar participants an overview of the application process.

The video of the tour will be available on CISCO's website and a YouTube channel created by the CTA.

### DIVERSITY DIALOGUE HOSTED BY CAGC AND HIRE 360

Chicagoland AGC's Diversity & Inclusion Committee, CAGC and HIRE360 are partnering to engage in a candid dialogue about race in the commercial construction industry at 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 29th.

To register for this Zoom meeting, go to: <a href="http://bit.ly/CAGC\_HIRE360diversitydialogue">http://bit.ly/CAGC\_HIRE360diversitydialogue</a>