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STERLING BAY BREAKS GROUND ON FIRST LINCOLN YARDS BUILDING

After years of planning, Sterling Bay broke ground Tuesday on its first Lincoln Yards building — a life sciences center dedicated to Chicago's biotechnology needs.



The life sciences center, known as ALLY, will be a 320,000-square-foot building on the southwest end of the 55-acre Lincoln yards mega-development. It will feature 280,000 square feet of medical research labs and creative office space.

The project's groundbreaking formally kicks off Sterling Bay's construction on the Lincoln Yards development. Sterling Bay CEO Andy Gloor was joined by contractors, city officials and supporters of the project.

"I could not be prouder to be standing here marking the start of Lincoln Yards," Gloor said.

Ald. Brian Hopkins (2nd Ward) praised the mega-development for bringing 11 acres of new parkland, transportation improvements, an extension of the 606 trail and a new Metra station.

"This land is now being returned to its rightful use for the community," Hopkins said.

Other projects included in the mega-development include:

- New bridges over the Chicago River.
- Water taxis.

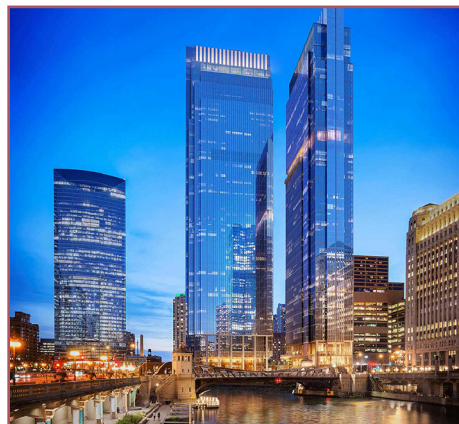
- Dedicated bicycle lanes.
- A potential light-rail transit way extension of the city's street grid.

When finished, the ALLY building will also feature 128 feet of frontage along the Chicago River, conferencing and collaboration space, private balconies on every floor and amenities like a fitness center on the first two floors, according to its website.

WOLF POINT SOUTH: 3RD PHASE ABOUT HALFWAY COMPLETE

On Wednesday, October 13, 2021, the AFL-CIO Building Investment Trust ("BIT") and the AFL-CIO Investment Trust Corporation ("ITC") were proud to host a worker appreciation luncheon at the Wolf Point South: Salesforce Tower project.

The event featured AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Fred Redmond and Chicago labor leaders recognizing the many contributions of Chicago's building trades to the changing downtown skyline.



Artist rendering of all three Wolf Point Towers when completed.

Located on the Chicago River and directly adjacent to Merchandise Mart, Wolf Point South is the third

phase of a three-phase development at Wolf Point, the premier remaining riverfront site in downtown Chicago.

The event luncheon honored the more than 225 union tradespeople currently on-site, building one of the largest construction projects in Illinois.

"I want every worker to have the same chance as my family, the chance to join a union, to work on projects like Wolf Point, and to succeed in achieving the dignity and respect all working people deserve. I want every worker to feel the power of the labor movement as a change agent for prosperity," said Fred Redmond, AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer, at the event.

BIT Policies Generate Over 6 Million Hours of Work

The BIT is the equity investor for all three phases of the development, investing union pension capital to generate over \$1.5 billion in total development in downtown Chicago. The BIT's comprehensive labor policies will generate over 6 million hours of work for union constructions trades on the site.

In Chicago, over \$3.9 Billion in total economic benefit has been created through construction investments made by the BIT.

"The impact of BIT's investments begins with you, the hard-working men and women of the building trades. However, please know that your hard work today will pay dividends to workers and our great city for years to come. The labor movement should be proud of this impact in our backyard," said Tim Drea, President of the Illinois AFL-CIO.

More news and photos on the back page.

CISCO ON THE MOVE

CISCO ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM UNDERWAY FOR 2022



CISCO has begun to accept applications for its long-standing Annual Scholarship

Awards Program. The applications for these different categories can be found on CISCO's website/homepage at www.cisco.org.

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.**

The deadline to submit the applications is Friday, February 18, 2022. Interested students may email the completed applications, or send in the mail. For more information, call CISCO at (630) 472-9411.

CISCO BEGINS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ANNUAL PROJECT OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

CISCO'S Project of the Year Award is kicking off its 17th year of accepting applications for some of the best construction projects of the past 18 months (May 2020 – Dec. 2021).



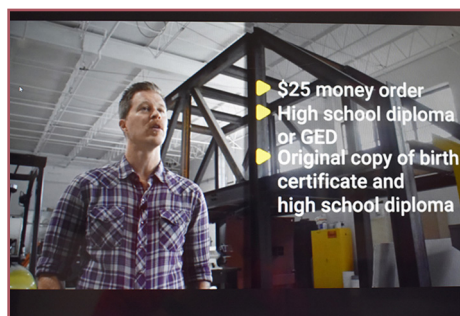
New Construction Chicago winner in 2020 - Navy Pier Hotel & Rooftop Venue.

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.

The deadline for applications is 5:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, 2021. The application form for the program can be found on CISCO's website/homepage at www.cisco.org. For more information, contact Gary Karafiat, Director of Communications & Public Affairs at 630.472.9411 or via email: gary@cisco.org.

PAINTERS DC #14 LATEST TO BE FEATURED DURING "CONSTRUCTION TALKS" WEBINAR SERIES

"Construction Talks" most recent visit was to the Training Center of the Painters District Council #14 in Berkley. This was the 9th episode in the series which began in 2020.



The webinar featured Dan Penski, Jr., Director of Training (pictured above), Instructor Veronica Leal (see below), and second year apprentice Rahm Jointer. Panel participants were CISCO's Education-to-Careers Director Jamillah Muhammad, and CTA's Brandy Phillips and Sam Hunt.



The 50-minute webinar featured Dan Penski explaining the requirements needed to apply to the program, as well as a description of the trades' duties. In addition, Ms. Leal and Mr. Jointer explained how they got interested in the trade and their experiences during training and how it changed their lives.

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK NOVEMBER 15 - 21, 2021



Mark your calendars for the 7th Annual National Apprenticeship Week (NAW), which will take place on November 15-21, 2021. NAW is a nationwide celebration that brings together business leaders, career seekers, labor, educational institutions, and other critical partners to demonstrate their support for apprenticeships.

Watch for the upcoming issue of *Construction News Briefs* to learn about which trades are offering an Open House during that week.

NAFC VIRTUAL CONFERENCE OCTOBER 25-26, 2021



Registration is still available for the National Alliance for Fair Contracting's (NAFC) National Conference. This year, it will conduct a two-day virtual meeting on October 25-26, 2021. NAFC's National Conference will return to Chicago in 2022 at the Palmer House Hilton.

The NAFC virtual meeting will bring together the fair contracting community from across the nation, including representatives from labor organizations, responsible contractors, fair contracting and compliance organizations.

To register visit: <https://faircontracting.org/conference>.

