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Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City J&D Wagner Unit Wins Community Impact Capstone Award

Kansas City, Missouri, March 24, 2011 – The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City, in partnership with A.L. Huber General Contractor and Kansas City, Missouri Community Development CDE (KCMO CDE), has been awarded a 2011 Capstone Award for Community Impact.

The Capstone Awards are presented annually by the *Kansas City Business Journal* and honor outstanding real estate development projects and transactions throughout the Kansas City area. The program's aim is to look beyond dollar figures and square footages and consider how these projects are shaping the community. The Clubs will be recognized, along with the other Capstone Award winners at an awards luncheon on April 25 at the Overland Park Sheraton.

"The J&D Wagner Unit is a symbol of our organization and the community's investment in the future of Kansas City and its youth, and is the culmination of many years of hard work and planning to turn dreams to reality for our kids," says David A. Smith, President of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City. "Therefore, we are honored to be recognized, along with Jean and Don Wagner, and our friends at A.L. Huber and KCMO CDE, with a 2011 Capstone Award winner for the construction of the Wagner Unit."

"The J&D Wagner Unit project is a great example of the type of investment the KCMO CDE is trying to support in Kansas City, Missouri," said Ruben Alonso III, Executive Director of the KCMO CDE. "The KCMO CDE is mission-driven to serve low-income communities, and we are proud to have partnered with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City to move this project forward and make a positive impact in the community."

Located on the corner of 2405 Elmwood in Kansas City, MO, the J&D Wagner Unit opened in the fall of 2010 and allows boys and girls to live out their greatest dreams. With 29,000 square feet of space, the newly renovated building includes a 20-meter swimming pool; 8,000-square-foot gymnasium with new locker rooms; dedicated program space for Cadets, Junior Academy and Teens, respectively; three technology labs; and a fully-equipped kitchen with major appliances. The J&D Wagner Unit is located in one of the city's most devastated and crime-ridden neighborhoods and is designed to provide a safe, structured environment for hundreds of youth in the surrounding community.

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About the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City...

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City provides a fun and safe environment for youth designed to promote the development of self-esteem, values, and skills for both boys and girls, ages 5-18, with special emphasis on youth from disadvantaged circumstances. The Clubs provide over 6,700 young people a constructive environment to thrive in when they are not at home or school. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City provides leading edge programs to local youth in the areas of leadership development, education and career exploration, sports, arts, community service, and family outreach. For more information, visit www.helpKKids.org.

About A.L. Huber General Contractor...

For over a century in Kansas City, A.L. Huber has provided high-quality general contracting services including construction management, pre-construction services, design-build, project management, and LEED project services. As a family-owned business deeply rooted in the community, A.L. Huber is committed to serving those in need in Kansas City. A.L. Huber was named a 2010 Champion of Business by the Kansas City Business Journal. For more information, visit: www.ALHuber.com.

About KCMO CDE...

The KCMO CDE is a Missouri non-profit community development entity committed to creating opportunities in Kansas City's most economically distressed communities. Whether it is providing enabling financing to a job creating business or a catalytic development project through the New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) program or helping to deliver services and resources to residents of low-income communities through one of many strategic partners, the KCMO CDE is dedicated to promoting and supporting innovative, targeted and collaborative economic and community development initiatives to help build and grow vibrant, sustainable and prosperous communities throughout Kansas City, Missouri. www.kcmocde.org

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