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### **Tri State Area Contractors Association Members complete improvements at CP Center of Tri County**

May 1, 2017- Joplin, MO - The Charitable Giving Committee of the Tri State Area Contractors Association (TSACA) completed its latest project at the Cerebral Palsy Center of Tri-County. The mission of the CP Center is to provide pediatric therapeutic services to children ages six months to six years with developmental delays or fragile medical conditions. Funding is limited and resources are not abundant. Building repairs and maintenance issues are a constant challenge at the facility.

The committee voted to work with the CP Center. Christy Graham Ed.D, executive director, was asked to provide a list of needed repairs. Items on the list ranged from lighting and electrical, to fence maintenance, ceiling repairs, carpentry work, consulting and more.

All repairs were appreciated, but one small project made a big splash. Dr. Graham was excited to have all the broken doorstops throughout the facility replaced with new ones. The broken ones caused such an inconvenience when moving children throughout the facility all day.

“It is hard to express the gratitude I have for TSACA. We have no maintenance staff, so we rely on volunteers. We operate on a limited budget. Often the cost is prohibitive so repairs are deferred,” said Dr. Graham. “The work completed is greatly appreciated. And there was a quite impressive copy machine donated which is saving on printing charges. Thankful is a true understatement.”

Collectively Asbell Companies, Bill’s Electric, Branco Enterprises, Crossland Construction, Flynn Midwest, and Robin Plumbing completed several repairs on the list. A large full-color copier was also donated to the center by Branco Enterprises. Each year TSACA awards several scholarships. Past projects that members have completed include Turnaround Ranch, and Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Missouri.

TSACA was incorporated in 2000 with a mission to improve working conditions for the commercial construction industry in southwest Missouri, southeast Kansas, and northeast Oklahoma, and to become a viable power to address city, county, and state issues directly impacting the commercial construction industry. For more information, please contact Marlo Wicklund, Executive Director, at 417.627.9392.

Cerebral Palsy of Tri-County was started in 1957 by family members of individuals with Cerebral Palsy. The Center’s staff assists parents with finding funding sources for durable medical equipment as well as therapeutic services. The staff also assists with students’ transitions to public school from the First Steps Program to Early Childhood Special Education. The Center routinely collaborates and cooperates with the school districts of Joplin, Webb City, Carl Junction, and Carthage. For more information please call: Christy Groves Graham Ed.D. Executive Director at 417-673-4940.

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