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LOCAL SUBCONTRACTORS TO WORK ON ATHLETIC FACILITY

St. Joseph, Mo. —June 26, 2009— Crossland Construction Co. Inc. intends to work with 11 subcontractors from the St. Joseph area on the construction of Missouri Western State University's new sport and recreation facility, university officials announced today. The new facility will house the Kansas City Chiefs summer training camp beginning in 2010.

“This project will have a major impact on the local economy,” said Dr. Robert A. Vartabedian, Western’s president. “The presence of the Chiefs training camp will be an economic boon to the St. Joseph and Buchanan County community. It is exciting to see this project moving forward and just as exciting to know that these local contractors and their employees will be benefiting from this project.”

The two largest subcontractors are local: St. Joseph Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Inc. for \$1,593,064 and Hausman Metal Works and Roofing for \$1,051,527. All together, the St. Joseph-area subcontractors will account for nearly \$4.7 million of the \$10.3 million cost of construction, or about 46 percent.

Crossland Construction provided the list of subcontractors to Western this morning. The list includes 22 contracts to be awarded. Of those, there were five without local options: the natural turf field systems for the outdoor practice fields, the artificial turf field for the indoor facility, divider curtains and baseball nets, auditorium seating, and the fire sprinkler. However, the sprinkler supplier, Continental Fire Sprinkler, Co., does have a warehouse in St. Joseph.

In addition, though Crossland is acting as its own subcontractor on concrete work for the facility, the company expects to purchase concrete from one or two local suppliers.

The project has been designed by St. Joseph architect Jeff Ellison of Ellison-Auxier Architects, Inc.

“We’re pleased that so many local businesses will benefit from the construction of this facility,” said Dave Williams, director of athletics. “Eleven local contractors are directly benefiting, of course, but others will also see benefits from those workers who will be lodging, eating and shopping in the community during the construction phase.”

Western will host a formal groundbreaking ceremony at 10 a.m. Monday, June 29 at the Chris Faros Alumni Pavilion, just west of Spratt Stadium. Crossland is expected to begin construction within a couple of weeks of the ceremony.

Area subcontractors and contract amounts are:

Contractor	Address	Contract Amount
St. Joseph Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Inc. <i>Utilities/plumbing/HVAC</i>	714 S. 7 th St. St. Joseph MO	\$1,593,064
Hausman Metal Works and Roofing <i>Roofing and wall panel systems</i>	15 th and Mitchell St. Joseph MO	\$1,051,527
Edson R. Marsh Construction Inc. <i>masonry</i>	312 W. Colorado St. Joseph MO	\$564,106
Herzog Contracting Corp. <i>asphalt</i>	600 S. Riverside Rd. St. Joseph MO	\$433,006
Herner Construction <i>Gyp board/framing</i>	1713 Calhoun St. St. Joseph MO	\$335,399
Eckard’s Carpet <i>Ceramic and carpet</i>	2402 N. Belt Highway St. Joseph MO	\$307,002
Northwest Door <i>Doors and hardware, overhead doors</i>	3409 Pear St. St. Joseph MO	\$229,484
Wesley’s Glass <i>glass</i>	631 S. 6 th St. St. Joseph MO	\$140,713
Varco-Pruden Buildings <i>Metal storage building</i>	2250 SW Lower Lake Rd. St. Joseph MO	\$30,000
Pine Valley Contracting Inc. <i>Landscape plantings</i>	1654 Sunvalley Lane Savannah, MO	\$15,866
Roderick Sign Co. <i>signage</i>	1621 Frederick Ave. St. Joseph MO	*
Local TOTAL		\$4,654,301

* Specific contract amount for Roderick Sign not provided

Other subcontractors include: Johnson Construction (earthwork and storm sewer), Mid-America Golf and Landscape (natural turf practice fields), HME Inc. (structural steel), Lico Steel Inc. (steel erection), Great American (resilient athletic flooring), Environmental Coatings (painting), Aalco (divider curtains/baseball nets), RL Jackson-Track Seating (auditorium seating) and Enterprise Electric (electrical).

Missouri Western State University is a comprehensive regional university providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The university offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo., and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves. Visit www.missouriwestern.edu.

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