

# PROJECT FAIR PROGRAM Creighton HILLIAN

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School of Dentistry

# Project Fair Agenda

5:00pm: Project Fair Opens

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6:00 – 6:30pm: Welcome Speeches

**Dr. Mark Latta** - Dean, Creighton University School of Dentistry **Brian Halsey** - Architect/Project Manager, RDG Planning & Design

**Tony Fucinaro** - Senior Vice President, MCL Construction

Randy Thelan - Senior Vice President, Economic Development, Greater Omaha Chamber

Winsley Durand - Executive Director, Reach Initiative, Greater Omaha Chamber

6:30pm - 8:00pm: Visit with resource booths/networking

# **Project Fair Introduction**

Welcome to the Creighton University School of Dentistry Project Fair. Thank you for attending.

This event is hosted by Creighton University, in partnership with MCL Construction, Project Advocates, RDG Architects, and REACH. Our goal in hosting the Project Fair is to help you:

- Learn About the CU School of Dentistry New Construction Project: Over the next several months, we will be setting bid dates for a variety of work that is needed to construct the new building that will house the CU School of Dentistry. If you are a small, emerging, and/or minority-owned business that specializes in one of trades needed, we want to make sure you are aware of the opportunity to bid and how do so.
- Learn About Resources Available to You: Does your business need help with planning for growth, estimating, building relationships, accessing capital, or bonding? You have come to the right place. Please be sure to visit the REACH booth, a program of the Greater Omaha Chamber. You will learn about services they provide to help small businesses. They can also help direct you to one of the many other resource providers here today.
- Learn About Other Creighton University Projects: Creighton's campus is evolving and there are many opportunities to become involved. Visit the Creighton table to learn how you can become involved in other projects.

# Creighton University School of Dentistry Project Community Engagement Mission

The Creighton University School of Dentistry Project Fair is an event meant to further the broader mission of their community engagement effort set forth for the School of Dentistry project: to establish long-term working relationships with small, emerging, and/or minority-owned

businesses within City of Omaha neighborhoods and to ensure that unemployed/underemployed persons living in these neighborhoods are able to leverage the economic opportunities provided by the Creighton University School of Dentistry project.

# **Project Information**

Located on Creighton University's East Campus bounded by Cuming, Burt, and 23rd Streets along with vacated 21st Street on the east. The Creighton University School of Dentistry project involves the construction of a new, four-story dental school with approximately 264,000 gross square feet that includes a fifth level mechanical penthouse and a basement level parking garage. The new facility replaces Creighton University's existing Boyne Building and will include educational classrooms, spaces, studen and support spaces, student spaces, student spaces, spa

classrooms, teaching laboratories, research spaces, student interaction spaces, administrative and support spaces. The new facility will position the School to recruit talented faculty members, introduce innovative technology, enhance the functionality and efficiency of our clinic. It will also allow us to serve additional patients, especially our community's under-served population, and enhance Creighton University's research core of excellence.

# **Project Partner Bios**

## **Creighton University**

Creighton University, located in Omaha, Nebraska, offers a top-ranked education in the Jesuit tradition for people who want to contribute something meaningful to the world. It's where students, faculty, and staff thrive in a supportive community committed to Jesuit, Catholic values and traditions. And, it's where students learn to become leaders through service to others.

Creighton's nine schools and colleges deliver a powerful education that connects arts and sciences, law and business with health science programs in dentistry, medicine, nursing, pharmacy, occupational and physical therapy, public health and emergency medical services.

Founded in 1878, Creighton is one of 28 Jesuit colleges and universities in the United States. More than 8,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students come to Creighton each year to find their place in the world through lives of leadership and service.

#### **MCL Construction**

MCL Construction is a general contractor/construction manager based in Omaha, Nebraska

that has been a trusted partner on thousands of projects throughout the Midwest since 1987. Working with clients spanning a variety of industries, including healthcare, K-12 schools, university, commercial, residential/mixed use, and industrial, MCL prides itself in turning first-time clients into long-term partners, delivering excellence at a reasonable cost and an aggressive completion date. For more information, visit www. mclconstruction.com.

#### **REACH**

REACH, a program of the Greater Omaha Chamber, offers a comprehensive approach to ensuring Omaha's certified and potential small and emerging businesses are ready to bid and capitalize on new projects – and reach their strategic goals. REACH accomplishes this by providing one-on-one mentoring on topics including bond preparedness, credit expansion and remediation, financial reporting, human resources, and insurance; offering plan reading and bid preparation education through their Plan Room; connecting businesses to resources offered by their partners; and leveraging relationships. For more information, visit www.omahachamber. org/REACH.

#### **Project Advocates**

Project Advocates is a professional services company focused on providing high level project management services. It exists to ensure the customer's project objectives are achieved. Project Advocates' vision is where waste is eliminated from the project delivery process and the entire team's objectives are congruent with the client's. Efforts of all professionals are collaborative, allowing for clients to achieve their project objectives.

#### **RDG Planning & Design**

RDG Planning & Design is a diverse network of planning and design professionals, united to create meaning together through purposedriven design. With major offices in Omaha and Des Moines, RDG offers professional services in architecture, landscape architecture, interior and lighting design, strategic planning, urban design, community and regional planning, and environmental graphic design. RDG has been serving clients since 1965 and has active projects in more than 25 states. For more information, visit www.rdgusa.com.

# **CU School of Dentistry Project Fair Presenters**



**Dr. Mark A. Latta, Dean** Creighton University School of Dentistry

Role at Creighton University: I serve as the chief academic and operational officer for the School of Dentistry, which is one of nine schools and colleges at Creighton University. We currently employ more than 130 full-time faculty and staff, 45 part-time faculty, and have a total enrollment of 348 dental and graduate students. We serve more than 12,000 patients a year in our clinics.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: My role is to lead the Creighton School of Dentistry team in the programming and design of the new facility. This includes the teaching and learning spaces, student support, research and clinical areas. Serving as a Project Fair Ambassador.

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**Brian L. Halsey, AIA, LEED AP** RDG Planning & Design

Role at RDG: I fulfill the rolls of Project Manager and Architect.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I am the primary point of responsibility for all architecture as well as leading, coordinating, and managing structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, telecommunications engineering efforts by sub consultants. I also

oversee coordination with Owner's civil engineer, general oversite, and quality control. Serving as a Project Fair Ambassador.

Please find me to discuss: The scope of the project; the overall project schedule and critical milestones to support curriculum needs; historical context on the School of Dentistry project development; why the building is designed the way it is; history of Boyne Hall and why the school must move; product specifications; and adherence to project requirements.

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Tony Fucinaro,
Senior Vice President
MCL Construction

**Role at MCL:** As the Senior Vice President at MCL, I play an active role in overseeing day-to-day operations at MCL and fulfilling a project management role on a variety of MCL projects.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I serve as the Project Executive on the School of Dentistry project, both overseeing and playing an active role in procurement, scheduling, site logistics, and constructability. Serving as a Project Fair Ambassador.

Please find me to discuss: The School of Dentistry procurement process, project schedule, and/or anything related to site logistics and constructability. In addition, please find me to discuss other opportunities at MCL.

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Randy Thelan - Senior Vice President - Economic Development
Greater Omaha Chamber

Role at Greater Omaha Chamber: I lead the Greater Omaha Chamber's economic development efforts, which is a two-state, eight-county regional partnership. The Partnership is charged with accelerating the growth and prosperity of the region, with a five-year goal to create 12,000 good paying jobs, \$3 billion in new investment, 100 new highgrowth startups, and to help develop and foster a dynamic talent development system. Within this economic development strategy is the REACH program, which is designed to rapidly grow the number and size of our small business community, particularly our minority-owned businesses.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: The Chamber, through the REACH program, is actively engaged in training, supporting, and mentoring small contractors in preparing to compete for contracts on this project. I work closely with Creighton and MCL to ensure a robust bidding process that invites proposals from our region's small contractors. Serving as a Project Fair Ambassador.

**Please find me to discuss:** How your company can be best prepared to compete for area construction contract opportunities.

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# Winsley Durand III, Executive Director – Reach Initiative Greater Omaha Chamber

Role at Greater Omaha Chamber: My role as the Executive Director of the REACH program is to provide technical assistance by connecting small construction firms with other technical assistance providers, professional services, procurement opportunities, and sources of capital. It is my personal objective to maximize the knowledge, efficiency, and long-term viability of the firms in the REACH program.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I will work with RDG and MCL to identify specific scopes of work that can be identified specifically for Small & Emerging Businesses (SEBs), minority-owned firms and woman-owned firms. I will identify qualified firms whose scopes of work match the project, and facilitate the greatest number of contractual opportunities possible. Serving as a Project Fair Ambassador.

**Please find me to discuss:** Your firm's ability to contribute on this project, ways to increase your access to capital, assistance with bidding, business classes, incentives for training and gaining first-time bonding or increasing your existing bonding capacity.

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## Meet Our CU School of Dentistry Project Fair Ambassadors



Teresa Bohnet, Associate Director Projects and Trades Facilities Management, Creighton University

**Role at Creighton:** My role is to oversee Creighton's project managers. In addition to the project process for each construction project on campus. I also oversee Creighton's carpenter, paint, and locksmith shops.

**Role on the School of Dentistry Project:** I oversee the project managers, process, and budget, ensuring that Creighton's policies are followed and standards are met.

**Please find me to discuss:** Any aspect of a remodel, new construction, or capital improvement project on Creighton University's campus.

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**LeeAnn Crist, Interior Designer**Facilities Management, Creighton University

**Role at Creighton:** I serve as Creighton's Interior Designer/Project Manager and furniture specialist. I also work with department moves, repurposing, and reconfiguring.

**Role on the School of Dentistry Project:** Assist RDG with FF&E, art, and signage. In addition, I will coordinate moving all occupants into building and assist with commissioning the building.

**Please find me to discuss:** Any questions related to design, furniture, signage and/or moving procedures.

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**Eric Gilmore, Senior Director of Procurement**Facilities Management, Creighton University

**Role at Creighton:** As the Senior Director of Procurement, my role is to engage collaboratively in supplier selection, contract negotiation, and vendor relationship management on behalf of Creighton.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I oversee the execution of purchased items that are needed for the School of Dentistry. This includes working with internal stakeholders and outside suppliers on a precise delivery schedule.

**Please find me to discuss:** The core product and service offerings of your business. Also be prepared to discuss relevant facts about your business in terms of its size, geographic locations, and number of employees, annual revenue, key clients and other common indicators of your firm's ability to deliver.

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**Coale Johnson, Campus Architect**Facilities Management, Creighton University

**Role at Creighton:** I am involved on all design and construction aspects of the campus including buildings, site improvements, hardscape, and landscape.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: My primary role on the School of Dentistry project is to assure that the new design is consistent with the Creighton University building standards. I will assist with the coordination of moving the people and equipment into the new School of Dentistry. I also communicate any news to the rest of the campus.

**Please find me to discuss:** Architecture, building design, code review, product selection, and construction/project management.

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**Lou Marcuccio,**Facilities Management, Creighton University

**Role at Creighton:** I am the Director of Facilities Management. I am responsible for the day-to-day Facility's labor and operations.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: My involvement includes providing feedback regarding the selection of the types of furnishings, landscape, grounds, maintenance, custodial, security and parking as they pertain to Creighton.

**Please find me to discuss:** Input on FF&E including types of furnishings, landscape, grounds, maintenance, custodial, security and parking items as they pertain to Creighton.

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**Tim Norton, Associate Vice President**Facilities Management, Creighton University

Role at Creighton: In my role as Associate Vice President of Facilities Management, I provide overall leadership and coordination to 185 FTE directly or indirectly for Creighton's Environmental Services, Planning and Design, Engineering and Building Maintenance, Energy Management, Sustainability, and Environmental Health and Safety functions to ensure optimal integration, synergy, and cost efficiency development and implementation of operating plans, systems, and procedures.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: My role is to lead the Creighton School of Dentistry team in the pre-construction, construction, and commissioning of the new facility. In addition, I lead the collaboration effort with local city and county governments and municipalities with regards to the utility infrastructures to ensure compliance, acceptance, and coordination.

**Please find me to discuss:** Creighton's Environmental Services, Planning and Design, Engineering and Building Maintenance, Energy Management, Sustainability, and Environmental Health and Safety functions.

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**Chris T. Rodgers, Director of Community and Government Relations Creighton University** 

Role at Creighton: I lead Creighton's efforts to facilitate relationships and educate federal, state and local officials and their staffs on the issues important to Creighton University, its student population and related stakeholders. In addition, I work closely with the surrounding campus neighborhoods and greater communities to make sure Creighton is a good corporate citizen.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I work with the campus, community and elected leaders and the management of MCL to deliver a quality product, on time and in good faith to the principles of economic inclusion.

Please find me to discuss: Issues or concerns with the project.

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Wes Walling, Director of Mechanical Electrical and Plumbing Facilities Management, Creighton University

**Role at Creighton:** My role at Creighton is Director of Mechanical Electrical and Plumbing on Creighton's Campus. I also oversee the Energy Management team.

**Role on the School of Dentistry Project:** I assist RDG and consultants in overseeing the mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and energy management divisions of the project.

**Please find me to discuss:** Any questions related to electrical, mechanical, plumbing or energy management systems.

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**Bob Carlisle, President and Owner** MCL Construction

Role at MCL: I serve as the president and co-owner at MCL overseeing the day-to-day workings of the company. I keep all projects never more than an arms-length away, playing a management and/or advisory role to ensure my staff has the support they need and that our customers receive the superior service they deserve.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I serve in an advisory role over the entire School of Dentistry project, leveraging my over thirty years in the construction industry to provide analysis and feedback related to procurement, scheduling, and constructability.

Please find me to discuss: My experience as a business owner.

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Jim Fleissner, Superintendent MCL Construction

**Role at MCL:** I serve as a project superintendent at MCL, handling jobs spanning a variety of markets.

**Role on the School of Dentistry Project:** I serve as the project superintendent on the School of Dentistry project, overseeing manpower, site logistics, schedule, and hiring laborers and carpenters for the project.

**Please find me to discuss:** Manpower, site logistics, schedule, and hiring laborers and carpenters for the project.

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**Jason Jacobs, Project Manager** MCL Construction

**Role at MCL:** I serve as a project manager at MCL, handling jobs spanning a variety of markets.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I serve as the project manager for the School of Dentistry, handling procurement in the field; working closely with our estimator on subcontractor bid review and contract awards; construction document management/control; and change order management.

**Please find me to discuss:** To discuss material and subcontractor procurement and questions related to MCL's construction document and change order management.

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Jay Potter, Estimator MCL Construction

**Role at MCL:** My role at MCL is Estimator. I am responsible for finding and qualifying subcontractors to bid our projects of varying sizes. I set up our estimates and review subcontractor bids.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: I am the head Estimator for MCL on the School of Dentistry project. I am responsible for building all of the progress and final estimates throughout the project as well as finding value analysis opportunities.

**Please find me to discuss:** How to get on our bidders list; seek help with reviewing documents; and learn about scopes of work that are bidding.

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**Bonnie De Smet-Bacon, Project Advocate** Project Advocates

Role at Project Advocates: At Project Advocates, I serve as an Owner's Representative for Creighton University. Project Advocates is prepared to offer extensive and diverse experience in project management to help our client, Creighton University, complete the School of Dentistry project on schedule and on budget.

Role on the School of Dentistry Project: My role is to lead the Creighton University School of Dentistry team in the transition and activation of the new facility. My passion is derived from developing and implementing solid programs and processes for organizations by continuously providing excellent services, especially regarding customer service.

**Please find me to discuss:** Connecting you with an appropriate project team member based on your request.

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**Charlie Gill, Partner** Project Advocates

Role at Project Advocates: At Project Advocates, I serve as an Owner's Representative for Creighton University. I am the Project Manager for the School of Dentistry project ensuring the end result is as seamless as feasible for all involved.

**Role on the School of Dentistry Project:** My role is to lead the Creighton University School of Dentistry team in the coordination of technical issues.

Please find me to discuss: Whom within the project, you may specifically speak with regarding your company's skill offerings.

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**Rob Zimmerman, Principal** Project Advocates

**Role at Project Advocates:** As a principal at Project Advocates, I make sure that our company and partners enable teams to meet our client's project objectives.

**Role on the School of Dentistry Project:** I provide owner project management for Creighton University.

**Please find me to discuss:** Opportunities to collaborate on the School of Dentistry project and other projects we are managing.

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# Savannah Cuevas, Project Management Coordinator – Reach Initiative

Greater Omaha Chamber

Role at Greater Omaha Chamber: I support the REACH program in all its efforts with a primary focus on facilitating the financing piece and providing educational opportunities for the small and emerging construction contractors in the program.

Role on School of Dentistry Project: I will interface with RDG and MCL to identify specific scopes of work that can be identified specifically for Small & Emerging Businesses (SEBs), minority-owned firms and woman-owned firms. I will identify qualified firms whose scopes of work match the project, and facilitate the greatest number of contractual opportunities possible.

**Please find me to discuss:** Your firm's ability to contribute on this project, ways to increase your access to capital, assistance with bidding, business classes, incentives for training and gaining first-time bonding or increasing your existing bonding capacity.

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#### Resources

Affordable Tax & Bookkeeping: Affordable Tax and Bookkeeping is a year-round bookkeeping/payroll and tax preparation service. For more information, please call 402-453-4077.

Catholic Charities: The Catholic Charities Microbusiness Training program offers a wide range of services tailored to help entrepreneurs and small business owners. In addition to their 8-week business training program, they also offer business financing opportunities and computer access, training, and support. For more information, please visit www.ccomaha.org or call 402-939-4638.

City of Omaha, Small and Emerging Business Program: The Small and Emerging Small Business Program is designed to give preference to contractors that have a headquarters based in the most impoverished areas of the city to encourage native job growth that will help the smaller businesses to compete for City Bid Contracts. Once a business becomes certified they retain certification for 3 years before recertification is required. For more information, please call 402-444-5055.

Creighton University Purchasing: Creighton University's Purchasing Department provides reliable and efficient support to the procurement needs of the University's academic, administrative, and health care areas. CU Purchasing will help navigate the process of registering as a CU vendor; CU's contractual considerations; the CU RFP/RFI process and CU's criteria of supplier selection. Please reach out to Eric Gilmore, Senior Director, CU Procurement, ericglimore@creighton.edu.

Hayes and Associates: Hayes and Associates focuses on building personal relationships with clients in order to effectively serve as their trusted financial advisors, providing tax preparation and planning services, financial services and investment advice, audit and attestation, and CFO services. For more information, please visit www.hayes-cpa.com.

HOPE Inside: HOPE Inside is a financial empowerment program of Operation HOPE that provides free credit and money management, homeownership, and small business counseling. For more information, please visit www.operationhope.org/hopeinside.

### **Long School Neighborhood Association:**

Long School Neighborhood Association aims to develop cooperative fellowship amongst neighbors. The association strives to formulate and implement plans of development that meet the needs of the neighborhood, while involving its residents. The Long School Neighborhood promotes social and economic stability for residents- in order to foster a clean and safe environment.

Lutz: Lutz started as an accounting firm, but has grown into a business solutions firm. Lutz provides accounting services such as tax, assurance, business consulting, and outsourced accounting. Additionally, Lutz has developed multiple divisions to help current and future clients thrive in all aspects of their businesses. These additional service lines include Lutz Financial, Lutz Tech, Lutz Talent and Lutz M&A. For more information, please visit http://www.lutz.us.

Mountain Plains Minority Supplier Development Council: The mission of the MPMSDC is to provide Corporate America and Government entities with greater access to the goods and services of Minority-owned business in order to develop lasting and mutually beneficial business relationships. As an affiliate regional council of the National Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC) serving Colorado, Kansas, Western Missouri, and Nebraska MPMSDC provides a direct link between Corporate America and Asian, Black, Hispanic, and Native American owned businesses. For more information, please visit www.mpmsdc.org.

Nebraska Business Development Center (NBDC): NBDC is an educational service designed to help business owners, especially small and medium sized businesses, compete more evenly with larger firms that have the resources to employee similar consulting services. For a full list of the many services they provide, please visit http://nbdc.unomaha.edu/.

# The Nebraska Enterprise Fund (NEF):

NEF has capital funds available to provide gap financing for small /micro businesses. NEF also loans capital to microenterprise development organizations and community economic development programs for revolving loan fund purposes. For more information, please visit www.nebbiz.org.

#### **Omaha Business Insurance Solutions:**

Omaha Business Insurance Solutions helps clients effectively monitor their insurance coverage needs, ensuring they protect their assets and investments while getting the most out of their hard-earned dollar. For more information, please visit www. omahabusinessinsurance.com.

# **Omaha Small Business Network (OSBN):**

OSBN provides services to tenants and OSBN loan recipients including administrative support, training facilities, a computer lab, and conference room spaces at no additional cost. OSBN also provides referrals, upon request, to low cost providers for bookkeeping, financial planning, marketing and communications services. For more information, please visit www.osbnbtc.org.

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Sherman Willis, State Farm Insurance Agent: As a State Farm Insurance Agent, Sherman Willis and his team seek to empower people with insurance and financial services portfolios. For more information, please call 402-493-1000.









