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Senator Jeff Smith Announces Neighborhood Assistance Program Tax Credits for Children's Center

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Jeff Smith, D-St. Louis, announced that Delta Gamma Center for Children with Visual Impairments, 5030 McRee Ave., St. Louis, has been approved for \$125,000 in tax credits from the Missouri Department of Economic Development's Neighborhood Assistance Program.

The funds will be directed to the renovation of a new facility in St. Louis County for outreach and expansion of services. Delta Gamma provides comprehensive early intervention services for infants and toddlers who are blind or visually impaired and their families, including education and orientation and mobility services; therapy services for children with complex development challenges; and an array of family support services.

"Congratulations to the Delta Gamma Center for obtaining funding for this valuable community resource," Sen. Smith said. "By adding a new facility, the center will be able to increase educational, support, and therapeutic services to 275 children and families."

Renovations to the facility will include state-of-the-art adaptive classrooms, four libraries for parent education, technology, development toys, and a community meeting room for training, meetings, and family support activities.

The Missouri Neighborhood Assistance Program provides assistance to enable community-based organizations to implement community or neighborhood projects in the areas of community service, education, crime prevention, job training and physical revitalization.

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