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The Krege grant launches the public phase of the Norton School's \$25 million "Campaign Cornerstones," which started in 2004. Krege challenge grants require that the capital campaign trustees fund a designated deadline to receive funding.
"The Krege Foundation has challenged us to raise the remaining \$2.8 million in new gifts by February 2008," said Dr. Soyoung Shin, the school's director. "We are grateful for the many generous supporters of our campaign thus far. The award comes at the perfect moment, renewing our energy in this final phase as we invite old friends and new supporters to help us meet our campaign goal."
The school will celebrate progress on the campaign and construction project April 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at McClifford Park, located on the corner of North Park Avenue and East Fourth Street.
Construction started last May. Workers are currently erecting the columns and steel beams for the 70,000 square foot complex, which is scheduled for completion in June 2008.
"The Norton School at McClifford Park will become known as the standard for excellence and the cornerstone of a bright future in family and consumer sciences," said Eugene Sandke, vice president and dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. "A grant from The Krege Foundation is very prestigious because the foundation is well known for its rigorous application process and for a sense relationships with donors and volunteer leaders beyond a building project's completion.
Grant recipients have raised initial funds toward their respective projects before requesting Foundation support. Krege grants are then made on a challenge basis, requesting the raising of the remaining balance, by a deadline. It is an "all or nothing" challenge.
"With the aid of this challenge grant, we hope that your campaign can become an even more strategic opportunity for you to connect with your stakeholders and reach out to new donors, volunteers, participants, and the general community," said Ray Reppert, president and CEO of The Krege Foundation.
At the end of March, The Krege Foundation had awarded 41 grants totaling nearly \$20 million. In 2006, the foundation awarded 201 grants totaling more than \$45 million to organizations in five countries. This award is the UA's first Krege Foundation grant since 1991.
The University of Arizona Foundation Grant Information, Facilitation and Information (GIPI) Center managed the grant proposal process in partnership with the Norton School.

