

2008 JIM SIMPSON WORKFORCE ADVANCEMENT AWARD



Today the Smart Business Resource Center announced the Shasta Trades Academy as the recipient of the 2008 Jim Simpson Workforce Advancement Award.

The purpose of the award is to recognize an individual or entity that has acknowledged a workforce need and created a successful solution.



The Shasta Trades Academy is a unique project that exemplifies the advancement of a competitive workforce. They were presented with the award and a check for \$500.00.

At the ceremony, four organizations were recognized for their leadership and innovation in the creation of the Shasta Trades Academy: Shasta County Office of Education, Shasta Builders' Exchange, Shasta College and Shasta-Trinity ROP.

The Shasta Trades Academy, a vocational education charter high school, opened in August of 2007 at the Shasta Builders' Exchange Training Center. The Academy offers a certificate of mastery in a specific trade as well as a high school diploma upon graduation, allowing students immediate entrance to the building or construction fields.

The Workforce Advancement Award is named for Jim Simpson, former employee of the Smart Business Resource Center, to honor his significant contribution to area workforce programs over the past three decades.

