

THE CONSTRUCTION USERS ROUNDTABLE

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CURT Announces 7th Annual Workforce Development Awards

CINCINNATI, OH, November 18, 2009 – The Construction Users Roundtable (CURT) presented its 7th Annual Workforce Development Awards during a gala last night at its National Construction Conference being held November 16-18, 2009 at the Buena Vista Palace Hotel in Orlando, Florida.

CURT is an association of leading corporations and government organizations in the U.S. and Canada dedicated to the promotion of cost effective construction methods. Collectively the members of CURT spend more than \$160 billion annually on construction services.

In presenting its awards, CURT called upon the Construction Industry to continue progress in promoting construction Workforce Training and Recruitment across the U.S. and Canada. "As one of our core initiatives, CURT remains committed to giving significant national/international recognition to companies and organizations that implement effective recruitment and training programs that develop first class craftsmen and managers," stated Greg Sizemore, Executive Vice President of CURT.

The CURT Workforce Development Awards were founded when members recognized that training, education and recruitment are essential to excellence in construction project delivery. The Award recognizes organizations for extraordinary, exemplary and innovative recruitment, as well as training and education programs, which encourage people to pursue careers in construction.

Applications were received from national trade associations, contractors, unions, local labor-management associations, owners, educational institutions and public school systems. Many thanks goes to the CURT Construction Industry Workforce Development Awards Committee, chaired by Gerald Sprentall, who also heads the Workforce Development and Industrial Relations Committee.

This Year's Winners:

- o IMPACT's Foreman Training for Ironworkers Program
- San Diego Associated Builders & Contractors Apprenticeship and North County Trade Tech High School Partnership Program
- o S&B and Motiva's Women's Skills Training Program
- BE&K/KBR QuickTrain



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About Curt

Formed in 2000 by construction and engineering executives representing major corporations from across the United States, CURT's primary goal is to enact broad, effective owner representation and increased owner leadership on construction industry issues. Continuing the 30-year effort of the Construction Committee of the Business Roundtable, CURT provides a national forum for the exchange of information, views, practices and policies of construction users from an array of industries. CURT strives to produce meaningful changes within the construction industry-promoting overall cost effectiveness; improving the way construction is planned, managed, justified and executed. Additionally, CURT works toward changing and improving what owners allow, require and accept responsibility for on their domestic and global construction projects. For additional information see www.curt.org.

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