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Sim Community Center Wins Sacramento Business Journal's 2009 Best Community Impact Award – Real Estate Projects







Sacramento, California, February 26, 2010—The Sacramento Business Journal has awarded its **2009 Community Impact Award - Real Estate Projects** to the George Sim Community Center project. The award was presented this morning during the Journal's **2009 Real Estate Projects** awards ceremony. The award recognizes Sim Center's innovative design and amenities, and the important role the center will play in southeast Sacramento's continued social and economic development.

"This award belongs to the residents of southeast Sacramento, who contributed ideas and together inspired everyone involved in this project to create a facility that not only addresses this community's current needs, but also embraces its future aspirations," said Councilmember Kevin McCarty. "On behalf of the residents of southeast Sacramento, I thank the Sacramento Business Journal for awarding its **2009 Community Impact Award** to the Sim Center project."

Located at **6207 Logan Street**, the Sim Center's design and amenities are like no other:

		
A 20,013 sq. ft. community center.	Bamboo paneling, a highly replenishable material.	A 15,696 sq. ft. event center.
		
Automated library book dispensing machine.	Collegiate-size basketball court.	Motion-activated drinking fountains.

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<p>Over 95% of waste generated during the construction was recycled.</p>	<p>Dedicated parking lots for carpool, vanpool, and low emission vehicles.</p>	<p>Rainwater from roofs, sidewalks and parking lots are filtered through landscape filters and special storm water filter vaults.</p>
		
<p>Rubber floor in fitness center is made from recycled tires.</p>	<p>Waterless urinals in men's bathrooms. Each urinal saves approximately 40,000 gallons of water each year.</p>	<p>Large, open, high-efficiency windows provide abundant light while blocking heat from entering building.</p>

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