

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. Named Contractor Of The Year

Leading General Contractor Receives Top Honor from California Construction's Best of 2009 Awards; Statewide Projects Also Recognized

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McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. (www.mccarthy.com <<http://www.mccarthy.com/>>) received top honors from McGraw-Hill's California Construction magazine at a recent awards ceremony. The leading general contractor was named the 2009 Contractor of the Year for its commitment to worker safety, training and community involvement. In addition to winning the top accolade, McCarthy projects in both Northern and Southern California received awards, including the NADEV Printing Facility, LAC + USC Medical Replacement Facility, and the Huntington Beach Union High School District Auditorium and Bell Tower Renovation.

According to McCarthy's California Region President Carter Chappell, "We are extremely proud to be named Contractor of the Year, but we are even more excited about being recognized for first-in-class achievements in safety, training and dedication to the community. Nothing we do is more important than ensuring the safety of our employees and giving back to the communities in which we work and live. We want to thank our business partners for helping us to achieve this award and for giving us the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of so many by delivering high-quality, socially responsible construction projects throughout the Golden State."

California Construction's awards program is open to all general contractors in California and entrants were evaluated based on their records of excellence in three categories: Business Leadership; Investment in People; and Community/Industry Involvement/ Leadership.

"This award is a testament to McCarthy's business philosophy of being a builder that makes a difference in everything we do from our people to our projects. Winning this top honor and having a number of our key projects recognized throughout state emphasizes our steadfast commitment to achieving our mission of being the best builder not only in California, but nationwide," said Rich Henry, president of McCarthy's Northern Pacific Division.

In addition to Contractor of the Year, the company's projects were recognized in the following categories:
Winner " Healthcare/Outstanding Project Management (Large)" LAC + USC Medical Replacement Facility

Winner " Restoration/ Renovation " Huntington Beach Union High School

District Auditorium & Bell Tower Award of Merit Industrial NADEV
Printing
Facility (Fremont, Calif.)

McCarthy has been building in California since 1984. With offices in Newport Beach, San Diego, San Francisco and Sacramento, McCarthy's California regional operations have helped shape the growth of California

with its involvement in a myriad of public and private projects. The 100

percent employee-owned firm currently employs 600 office and field professionals in California who are involved in 76 projects (totaling more

than \$5.7 billion) in various stages of preconstruction and construction.

As part of McCarthy's evolution to best meet client needs, it has utilized

a number of innovative technologies, such as BIM (Building Information Modeling) and Virtual Design and Construction, as well as a alternative delivery methods, such as design-build, design-assist, Lean and lease-leaseback, to name a few.

About McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.

McCarthy Building Companies is the nation's 10th largest domestic general

contractor (Engineering News-Record, May 2009), and the fourth largest general contractor in California (California Construction, April 2009).

With more than 145 years of experience, McCarthy is one of the nation's oldest, privately held construction firms and one of California's premier

commercial builders. Committed to the construction of high performance buildings, the company provides general contracting, construction management, program management and design-build services for educational,

healthcare, parking structures, entertainment, retail, laboratory, biotechnical, microelectronic, and industrial facilities; office buildings; tenant interiors; mixed-use; multifamily residential; bridges;

and highways. In addition to its California offices, McCarthy has locations in Phoenix; Las Vegas; Dallas; St. Louis and Atlanta. More information about the company is available