



Press Release

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BCCI Applauds ERC's Awards for Excellence

San Francisco (June 27, 2011) — The Ed Roberts Campus (ERC) is a proud recipient of the 2011 Award for Excellence from The Urban Land Institute (ULI) – an international institute dedicated to providing leadership in the responsible use of land. The Awards for Excellence program is the centerpiece of the organization's efforts to identify and promote best practices in all types of real estate development.

Winners of this prestigious award were recognized during the ULI Real Estate Summit held in Phoenix, Arizona on May 20, 2011. Approximately 150 submitted entries from around the Americas, and the Ed Roberts Campus was unanimously voted as one of 20 winners that will advance to ULI's Global Award round (<http://www.ulifall.org>).

Named after Ed Roberts, the international leader and educator in the independent living and disability rights movement, the campus houses the collaborative offices of ten organizations. Seven of the organizations partnered together to develop the ERC, and the other three tenants leased space at the campus to fulfill the same dedicated mission of helping people with disabilities. Prior to the opening of this campus, each organization was located separately throughout the Bay Area. (<http://www.edrobertscampus.org>)

BCCI, a commercial general contractor, was hired by the ERC and Equity Community Builders to build out the interior tenant offices and Through the Looking Glass daycare of the new campus. Major construction challenges that BCCI helped the ERC overcome were:

- Early evaluation and coordination of each organization's distinctive requirements of their respective offices within the campus.
- Maintain a limited budget by providing cost conscious solutions that did not compromise quality or safety.
- Quality control, flawless execution, and "getting it right the first time". The ERC needed to be operational in 12 short weeks of construction start.

The building is a universally designed, transit-oriented campus located at the Ashby BART Station in Berkeley, California. Designed by Leddy Maytum Stacy Architects, this 80,000 sq. ft., campus integrates sophisticated design responses to the issues of people with disabilities, as well as green building construction.

Accessibility features include:

- Elevators and ramps throughout including a helical ramp in the main lobby
- Automatic doors and wide corridors for easy circulation
- Hands-free sensors and timers
- Specially designed signage and way-finding devices for people who are blind or have low vision

Teddy Huddleston, construction manager at Equity Community Builders states "This TI project had ten separate clients, met LEED Gold standards, and required late furniture coordination - all on a very tight schedule. BCCI's team met every demand with patience and a problem solving attitude. They provided the ERC with a very high quality project in the required time frame".



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