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**DEL PASO HEIGHTS MEDICAL CENTER EARNS
SACRAMENTO BUSINESS JOURNAL'S
2004 BEST REAL ESTATE DEALS OF THE YEAR AWARD**
*Agency assisted the construction of the facility
with loan and land donation*

Sacramento, California. The Del Paso Heights Medical Center received the “Best Community Impact” award today at Sacramento Business Journal’s 2004 Real Estate Deals of the Year award breakfast. The facility, located at 3441 Marysville Boulevard, is operated by Dr. Gilbert Simon who has been providing medical care to thousands of low-income patients in North Sacramento for the past 15 years. The Business Journal reports that the contest judges were impressed by the need for the clinic as well as the way it satisfies that need.



The 7,600 square foot single story facility opened last October with 11 physicians, 15 examination rooms, on-site medical laboratory and administration offices. The new medical center makes the seventh facility that Dr. Simon operates under Sacramento Family Medical Clinics, Inc. Most of his patients are children covered by Medi-Cal, a government-funded health insurance program for the poor.

After more than two years of planning the project, the center was built in just six months. The project architect was Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, Inc., Roseville, and the contractor for the facility was Heintz & Company, Inc.

When the doors opened for business at the new center last fall, Dr. Simon expressed appreciation for his staff and patients.

“Our staff and patients went through years of not being in the best facility and suffering through difficulties and adverse conditions. So it’s really the people that we are celebrating and for whom this building is intended.”

“It is a market piece for our area,” said Vice-Mayor Sandy Sheedy to a large crowd gathered at the October 4th grand opening celebration. “It helps our commercial corridor and brings back the revitalization once again for Marysville Boulevard. The center provides the much needed primary care services we need. It just does everything we’re looking for.”

The project was financed by the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency’s Grow Sacramento Fund in partnership with Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD), providing a \$1.3 million construction loan. The Agency also contributed \$775,000 in land and secondary financing toward the project.

SHRA is a Joint Powers Authority created by the City and County of Sacramento to represent both jurisdictions for affordable housing and community redevelopment needs. SHRA oversees residential and commercial revitalization activities in 13 redevelopment areas throughout the City and County. The Agency is the leading public developer of affordable housing. SHRA has a FY 2005 budget of \$222 million and approximately 328 employees. The Agency owns 3,500 units of public housing and is one of the largest landlords in Sacramento. SHRA also administers about 10,500 rental assisted vouchers per month.